

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Chair and Members of the Civic Works Committee:

Removal of Trees on Camden Crescent

The Camden Crescent road reconstruction is part of an extensive road reconstruction project involving several streets in the Old Stoneybrook neighbourhood. Camden Crescent is a very short, self-contained local street. It connects to Hastings Drive at its eastern end and again at the western end via Amberwood Road. There is currently no sidewalk on Camden Crescent, however, there is an existing sidewalk on the east side of Amberwood Road and on both sides of Hastings Drive.

As a result of the proposed sidewalk construction on Camden Crescent, City Staff are anticipating the removal of at least 8 boulevard trees on the south side. This represents approximately 80% of the trees on the south side of a street that does not serve as a connector either within or to this neighbourhood. Such a significant tree loss would be an unjustifiable destruction of the local tree canopy and detrimental to the overall character of this street and quality of life of its residents.

I, therefore, respectfully request the committee to consider the following motion:

That, notwithstanding policies set out in the London Plan and the warranted sidewalk program with respect to the installation of sidewalk infrastructure, Camden Crescent BE EXEMPTED from the intended sidewalk installation and any planned tree removal associated with construction of the sidewalk.

Respectfully submitted,



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