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THE CITY OF CALGARY
CITY CLERK'S

RE: FUTURE FOR POPLAR TREE CANOPY

ALDERMAN PETER DEMONG

WHEREAS there are more than 20 communities across eight wards in The City of Calgary with aging poplar monoculture street tree plantings estimated at 10,000 poplar trees at or nearing the end of their lifecycle;

AND WHEREAS the City of Calgary Parks historically managed a Poplar Tree Lifecycle Program from 1990 to 2007 as a proactive approach to the problem of removal and replacement of aging poplar trees to ensure a sustainable street tree and park canopy in aging poplar monoculture communities replacing 2 trees for every tree removed necessitating a planting replacement of 20,000 trees;

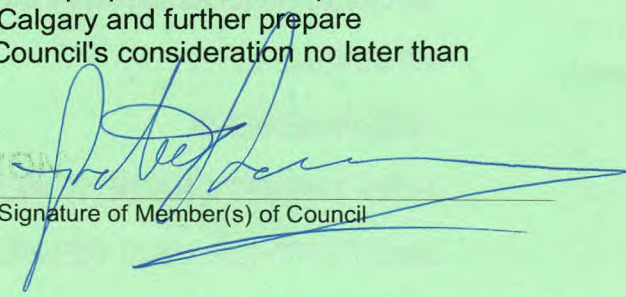
AND WHEREAS the original program evolved into a program based solely on individual risk assessment for removal with an average of 200 trees per year removed in 2009 through 2011;

AND WHEREAS the original identified removal target of 800 trees a year for 30 years to limit a large population decline has resulted in a current annual shortfall of approximately 600 removals (1200 replacements) a year resulting currently in a minimum of a three year backlog within the Poplar Tree Lifecycle Program of both removals and replacements;

AND WHEREAS poplar monoculture trees have a life span of approximately 50 years which has already elapsed in several communities in each quadrant of the City therefore these communities are facing the massive loss of a major part of their tree canopy;

AND WHEREAS the impending loss of this part of Calgary's urban forest will cause untold environmental damage; devastating impacts related to appearance of affected communities, substantially diminished quality of life for residents, and the critical need for The City of Calgary to finance a massive tree replacement throughout a major portion of our City – conceivably all at one time;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Administration prepare a status report or overview on the current poplar tree situation in The City of Calgary and further prepare suggested recommendations on a poplar tree strategy for Council's consideration no later than the end of May 2012.


Signature of Member(s) of Council

NOTICES OF MOTION

Sections 119 and 50(2) and (3), of the Procedure Bylaw 44M2006 states as follows:

- 119(1) A Member, wishing to introduce a new matter for consideration, shall submit the motion in writing to the City Clerk in accordance with section 50(2) of this Bylaw. A Notice of Motion must stand on its own and cannot have attachments. Supporting documents may be distributed at the meeting with approval of the Mayor
- (2) On a Two-Thirds (10) Vote, the requirement for Notice contained in subsection (1) may be waived. However, the matter would then be considered as Urgent Business.
- (3) Subject to subsection 50(2), all Notices of Motion received by the City Clerk shall be added to the Agenda of the next Regular Business Meeting.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE - See City Clerk's website for deadline dates.

- 50(2) all submissions in response to advertised Public Hearing matters, the titles and report numbers of all administrative reports **and the signed Notices of Motion from Members for the Agenda of a Regular Business Meeting shall be in the Office of the City Clerk no later than 10:00 a.m. on the Thursday, two (2) Thursdays before the Meeting.** No late submissions from the public shall be accepted and Reports or **Notices of Motion not received by the stated deadline can only be added to the Agenda as Urgent Business.**
- (3) when the date for receipt of submissions falls on a statutory holiday, the date for receipt shall be the following business day.

LATE NOTICES OF MOTION (URGENT BUSINESS - GREEN SHEET)

Late Notices of Motion are distributed to Council the Friday before the Council meeting as a "Green Sheet" Urgent Business item for information only, and require Two-Thirds affirmative vote to be added to the Agenda.

PROCEDURE AND FORMAT

Notices of Motion received by the deadline will be numbered and forwarded in the Agenda to the next Regular Business Meeting of Council.

The format for Notices of Motion is as follows:

TITLE OF NOTICE OF MOTION

SPONSORING ALDERMAN/MEN NAME(S)

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