Purpose

To describe in detail the health and condition of tree(s) in the immediate or surrounding area relating to the proposed work, project or development.

Background

In the event of a request for work on a protected tree or the removal of a protected tree on private property an Arborist Report is required. As policy the District does not issue permits for the removal of healthy large trees that are protected by the EPPB.

Requirements

**Content:** Simple - Complex Arborist Reports

- Site plan showing the location of existing structures, proposed structures, aquatic areas and contours when applicable or elevation reference.
- Proposed location of underground utility services and method of excavation (tunnelling preferred within root zone of retention trees).
- Proposed grade changes within 5 metres of trees sighted for retention and all District trees.
- Survey of all trees > 10cm diameter. Trees in the field to be tagged with the same markings as those on the survey.
- Tree assessments for all trees on site:
  - Condition of tree,
  - Species,
  - Size-diameter, height,
  - Proposed work on trees (spiral prune, removal, root prune, etc.) and reason for work,
  - Expected impact of development, on all trees, Private or Public,
  - How anticipated activities on site will affect trees in question, also neighbouring Private and District trees (especially important when a large number of trees are proposed for removal).
- Delineate protection areas.
- Show how all trees to be retained will be protected during construction.
- Identification of significant trees.
- Any proposals for phased tree management.
- Footnote detail: State method of inspection/disclaimers, Signed dated and certification detail.

**Timing:** Applicant is required to submit the report with a Building Permit application or a Tree Permit application under the EPPB.

**Owner:** Applicant is required to hire a Certified Professional Arborist to provide report.

**Related Requirements/Documents/Forms**

None.

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