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Tree Information Report

Submitted as part of Committee of Adjustment Application to the City of Ottawa

Address: 468 and 472 Byron Ave

Date of Report: June 4, 2026

Date of Site Visit: June 2, 2026

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This Report must be read in its entirety, including the Assumptions and Limiting Conditions attached herein.

Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to provide the client with an impact assessment of all protected trees on site as per the City of Ottawa's Tree Protection By-law No. 2020-340. This report is part of a Committee of Adjustment application to the City of Ottawa and considers the impact that the proposed development will have on the trees. The assessment of the suitability of tree retention is based on the information provided at the time of report preparation which includes:

- Site plan prepared by RJH Architecture and Planning dated April 2026
- Topographic survey prepared by Farley, Smith & Denis Surveying Ltd

Methodology

The following materials were reviewed as part of this report:

- Topographic survey
- Site Plan
- GeoOttawa tree inventory layer and aerial photography
- Google© Street View imagery – various years

A site visit was conducted to collect the following information from each tree classified as protected under the City of Ottawa's Tree Protection By-law No. 2020-340:

- Diameter at breast height (1.3 m from grade)
- Species
- Tree health
- Relevant measurements such as distance to the existing structures like fences, driveways, etc

Tree Inventory

The following is an inventory of all trees that are protected under City of Ottawa Tree Protection (By-law No. 2020-340) on the site and adjacent City property. This includes Distinctive Trees (private trees with a diameter at breast height (dbh) of 30 cm or greater) and city-owned trees of all sizes. It also includes Distinctive Trees on adjacent properties whose Critical Root Zone (CRZ) extend into the subject area. The CRZ is an area around the trunk with a radius equivalent to 10 times the diameter of the trunk. This does not take into account infrastructure such as buildings and asphalt and assumes the tree has no restrictions on root growth.

Tree[1]	Species	Diameter at breast height (cm)	Ownership[2,3]	Condition	Arborist/Forester recommendation
1	Norway maple (*Acer negundo*)	19,19,27,22	City	Poor; multi-stemmed with included bark at base, wounds (possible canker) at base on upper side of lean and decay present, crowns healthy	Remove due to health and risk of failure; **Tree permit required**
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5[4]	Elm (species unknown) *Ulmus spp*	30, 30 (est)	Adjacent property at 438 Highcroft	Poor; significant crown dieback, decline possibly due to new development on site appr 5 years ago	N/A; some pruning of overhanging branches may be required and should be completed by a certified arborist

[1] Please refer to the attached Tree Information map for tree numbers. Note that this includes a tree layer added to the site plan (in pdf format) provided by the client. This layer includes only information about the trees and the original site plan is not altered in this process.
[2]Ownership of the tree in this report is based on the information provided and should not be used as a determination of ownership. For ownership disputes, a survey should be relied on. For boundary trees, consent from the adjacent property owner is required for removal as part of the application.
[3]Trees on adjacent properties do not include a full assessment. The diameters are estimated, and health is estimated based on what is visible from the subject property. Trees along the property line may also have limited health assessments if part of the tree is not visible.
[4]The location of these trees was not provided and has been estimated

Proposed Development and Conserved Vegetation

The trees at this site are in poor health and are not suitable for retention regardless of any development activity proposed. If no development occurs at this site, it is recommended that city forestry assess the trees for removal. **Trees 1-4** are Norway maples, a tree considered highly invasive in the region. **Tree 1** likely established by seed whereas **trees 2 and 4** may have been planted (Norway maples are no longer planted by the city). **Trees 2-4** were heavily topped in the past, resulting in an unusual form as new shoots grew directly from the cuts. These old pruning wounds are vectors of decay which have become points of weakness in the trees, and they are at the junction where the new shoots have become large branches with significant weight. Furthermore, a canker, likely Eutypella, is also present, further deteriorating the structural integrity.

Tree 5 is in the rear yard of the adjacent property and appears to be in decline evidenced by significant crown dieback. This property was developed about 5 years ago which may have compromised some of the roots leading to the decline. Some pruning may be required of branches that lean over the property line.

The undersigned personally inspected the property and issues associated with this report on June 2, 2026. On Behalf of Dendron Forestry Services,



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Photo 1: Tree 1, city-owned Norway maple to be removed



Photo 2: Based of tree 1, note the included back with a vertical fissure, and decay/cankers at the base of both stems on the upper side of the lean



Photo 3: Trees 2-4, city owned Norway maples to be removed



Photo 4: Tree 2, old wound where tree was topped with significant decay weakening the junction of all major limbs



Photo 5: Tree 3, city-owned Norway maple in poor condition. Note the canker in the left stem

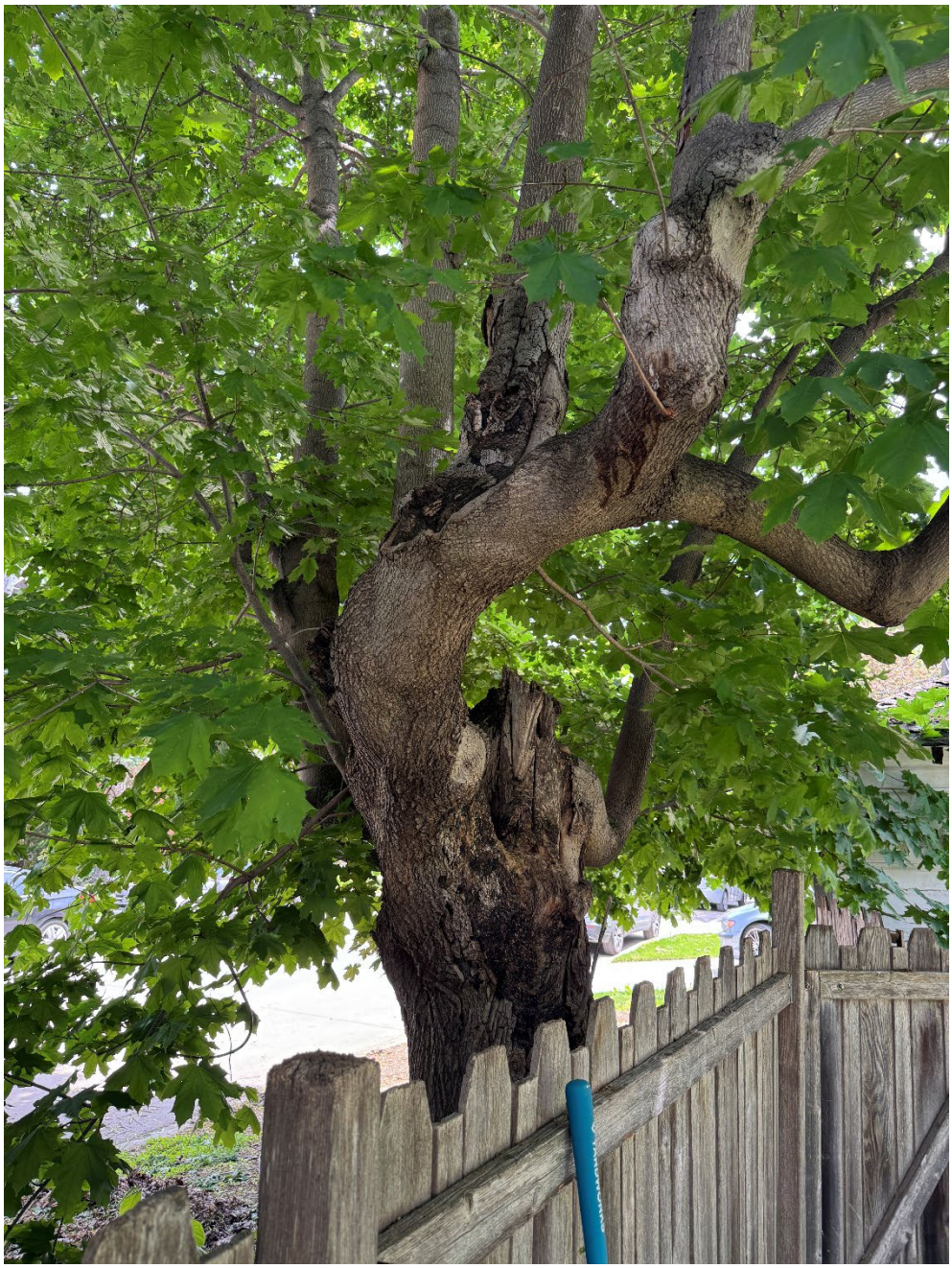


Photo 6: Side view of tree 4, area of decay is where tree was previously topped



Photo 7: rear view of tree 4 showing extent of decay at junction and evidence of Eutypella canker

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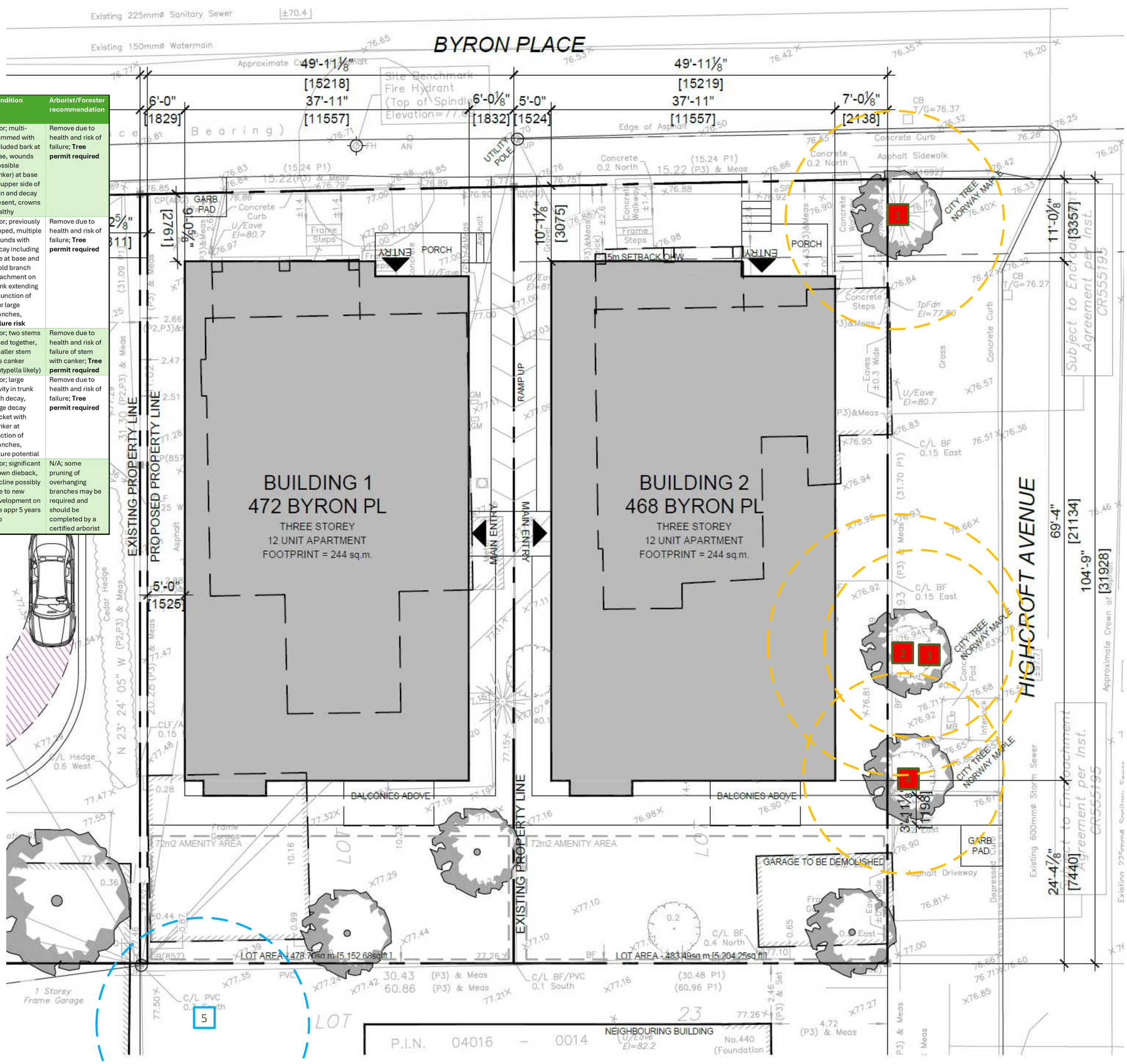
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Base Layer: Site plan by RJH Architecture and Planning dated April 2026

TIR Map – 468/472 Byron Ave

Date	Revision	Prepared By
06/05/2026	Version 1	AN