ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL

Appeals by ClubLink Corporation ULC of Zoning By-law Amendment and Plan of Subdivision Applications for 7000 Campeau Drive, Ottawa

OLT Case No. PL200195

WITNESS STATEMENT OF ANDREW BOYD

November 12, 2021

Qualifications

- 1) I am a Consulting Urban Forester with IFS Associates Inc. I am a graduate of the School of Forestry and Environmental Management at the University of New Brunswick and hold a Bachelor of Science in Forestry (B.Sc.F.). In addition to being a Registered Professional Forester (R.P.F.) in the Province of Ontario, I am also a Certified Arborist with the International Society of Arboriculture (ID #ON-0496A). I have over twenty-five (25) years of experience specializing in urban forestry. IFS Associates Inc. offers consulting services in urban forestry, forest management, woodland conservation and forest land use planning. Our clients include federal, provincial and municipal governments, the National Capital Commission, commercial sector and private property clients.
- 2) A copy of my curriculum vitae is attached to this Witness Statement, together with my signed Acknowledgement of Expert's Duty form.

Retainer

3) In November 2020, IFS Associates Inc. (IFS) was retained by Minto Communities on behalf of Clublink Corporation ULC to help identify areas within the proposed redevelopment of the Kanata Golf and Country Club property (the Site) where tree preservation and conservation could be enhanced within previously identified landscaped buffers. This work was performed in co-ordination with Dr. Andrew McKinley of McKinley Environmental Services.

Summary of Evidence and Opinions

<u>Issue #9:</u> Are conditions of draft approval necessary to ensure the long-term viability of the landscape buffers?

4) Response: Conditions of draft plan approval proposed by the City in relation to the landscaped buffers will be considered. It is anticipated the landscaped buffers will be retained through provisions in the zoning by-law and through the City of Ottawa's Tree Protection By-law (By-law No. 2020-340).

<u>Issue #26:</u> Are provisions in the zoning by-law sufficient to ensure the long-term viability of the landscape buffers?

5) Response: Trees within the buffers will be protected by provisions provided within Tree Protection By-law No. 2020-340 and the buffers are proposed to be protected through a subdivision agreement, which will be registered on title and which will be binding on the future owners. The proposed provisions of the zoning by-law, together with the Tree Protection By-law No. 2020-340 and the subdivision agreement, is anticipated to be sufficient to ensure the long-term viability of the landscaped buffers.

<u>Issue #27:</u> Does the proposed zoning amendment have appropriate regard to Section 2 with particular reference to Subsections (a), (h), (i), (o), (p) and (r)?

6) Response: Subsection 2(a) of the Planning Act states that regard shall be had to "the protection of ecological systems, including natural areas, features and functions". In relation to the landscaped buffers, the Site analysis undertaken in November 2020 was intended to better identify the function of the landscaped buffers, their size, and their locations. In several locations, this analysis led to the originally proposed minimum 3 m wide landscaped buffers around the Site edges to be expanded to 6 m. This was a reflection of the fact that many existing trees were greater than 50 cm in diameter (trees considered 'distinctive' under By-law No. 2020-340 within the suburban areas of Ottawa). This increased buffer area provides greater opportunities to retain existing trees and shrubs and plant new trees and shrubs where there is currently minimal tree coverage at the edge of the Site. Once the redevelopment is complete, the minimum 3 m wide and 6 m wide landscaped buffers will be fully treed with retained and/or planted trees and shrubs. The November 2020 analysis of the landscaped buffers resulted in their total area throughout the Site being increased by 0.75 ha.

Andrew Boyd, B.Sc.F, R.P.F.

List of Documents to be referred to:

- a. McKinley Environmental Solutions (MES) (May 2020a) Combined Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Tree Conservation Report (TCR) (Revised) Kanata Golf and Country Club Redevelopment.
- b. McKinley Environmental Solutions (MES) (May 2021b) Combined Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Tree Conservation Report (TCR) (Revised) Addendum #1 Kanata Golf and Country Club Redevelopment.
- c. City of Ottawa Tree Protection By-law No. 2020-340.

IFS Associates Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

- **Bachelor of Science in Forestry (B.Sc.F),** University of New Brunswick Fredericton, N.B.
- Registered Professional Forester (R.P.F. # 1828)
- Certified Arborist (#ON-0496) and Tree Risk Assessment Qualified (TRAQ) with the International Society of Arboriculture

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Ontario Professional Foresters Association
- International Society of Arboriculture
- Ontario Woodlot Association

EXPERIENCE

1996 - Present IFS Associates, Ottawa, ON.

Forester and Consulting Arborist

1994 - 1995 Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Kemptville, ON Forest

Research and Development Officer

1993 British Columbia Ministry of Forests Kamloops, BC Senior

Project Biologist

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

As Founder and Consulting Urban Forester, Mr. Boyd brings a wealth of experience in **urban forestry**, **forest management**, **woodland conservation and forest land-use planning.** Mr. Boyd is a member of numerous professional associations and currently sits on the Arboriculture Advisory Committee at the Pembroke Campus of Algonquin College. With IFS Associates, Mr. Boyd has led many projects, with some select major projects highlighted on page 2.



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SELECT MAJOR PROJECTS

Federal Government Agencies

Forest Fire Management Plan, Connaught Ranges & Training Centre — Department of National Defence

Tree Condition Assessment, Sault St. Marie Canal National Historic Site — Parks Canada

Tree Inventory & Assessment, Royal Canadian Mounted Police College — Public Works and Government Services

Hazard Tree Risk Assessment at Canadian Forces Base Rockcliffe — Department of National Defence

Sugar Bush Management Plan, Rideau Hall — National Capital Commission

Forest Management Plan, Canadian National Vimy Memorial, France — Veterans Affairs Canada

Parliament Hill Slope Forest Restoration Plan — Public Works & Government Services

Education & Community Relations

Algonquin College — Courses on tree maintenance

Ottawa-Carleton District School Board— School visits

Boy Scouts/Girl Guides of Canada — Tree planting and guided tours

Forest/Land-Use Planning

Phoenix Re-Development Inc. • Claridge Homes Corp.

- Urbandale Corp.
- Teron International

Campanale Homes Inc. • Minto Developments Inc.

Provincial & Municipal Governments

Light Rail Transit — Tree and endangered species inventories for Trillium

Management of Ice Storm-Damanged Woodlots — Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources

Monaghan Forest Management Plan — City of Ottawa

Wellington St. Rehabilitation Project — City of Ottawa

Commercial/Residential

Earnscliffe (British High Commission); Embassy of France, Norway & Japan — Urban tree consultation

Carleton University — Campus-wide tree inventory and assessment; preconstruction reports

Soil Subsidence Projects:

- Ottawa Carleton District School Board
- National Capital Commission
- Carleton Condominium Boards & associated Property Management Firms

Tree conservation reports Site plan & supervision applications

Tree Information Reports Infill & distinctive tree permits

Expert Witness

Ontario Rental Housing Tribunal

Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT)

Ontario Court of Justice, Small Claims Division



Ontario Land Tribunal Tribunal ontarien de l'aménagement du territoire

Acknowledgment Of Expert's Duty

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PL200195	City of Ottawa

- 1. My name is Adam to Royd (name)

 I live at the Coty of Ottown (municipality)

 in the Coty of Ottown (county or region)

 in the Royds of Ottown (province)
- 2. I have been engaged by or on behalf of ClubLink Corporation ULC to provide evidence in relation to the above-noted Ontario Land Tribunal (`Tribunal`) proceeding.
- 3. I acknowledge that it is my duty to provide evidence in relation to this proceeding as follows:
 - a. to provide opinion evidence that is fair, objective and non-partisan;
 - b. to provide opinion evidence that is related only to matters that are within my area of expertise;
 - c. to provide such additional assistance as the Tribunal may reasonably require, to determine a matter in issue; and
 - d. not to seek or receive assistance or communication, except technical support, while under cross examination, through any means including any electronic means, from any third party, including but not limited to legal counsel or client.
- 4. I acknowledge that the duty referred to above prevails over any obligation which I may owe to any party by whom or on whose behalf I am engaged.

Date C9/19/21