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Greetings Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached memo from Malcolm Bromley regarding Tree Removal on West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. A short summary of the memo is below:

- Vancouver Park Board chief arborist has deemed 6 trees to be removed on W 10<sup>th</sup> between Willow and Cambie Streets.
- These trees are dead or hazardous to public safety.
- Removals will begin on Dec 11 over a 3 week period and are being coordinated with traffic management to minimize impacts.

Should you have any questions, please contact Malcolm at 604.257.8448 or [Malcolm.Bromley@vancouver.ca](mailto:Malcolm.Bromley@vancouver.ca).

Best,  
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VANCOUVER  
BOARD OF  
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December 8, 2017

MEMO TO : Mayor and Council

COPY TO : City Manager's Correspondence Group  
Park Board Senior Leadership Team

FROM : Malcolm Bromley  
General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT : **Tree Removal - West 10th Avenue**

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Dear Mayor and Council,

The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation is responsible for tree maintenance on City property. Although every effort is taken to retain viable trees through proper arboriculture practices, at some point it may become necessary to remove and replace them with new trees. Our Urban Forestry Supervisor, Amit Gandha, has determined that six (6) trees located on West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, between Cambie and Willow Streets, must be removed and replaced.

These six (6) trees in question are either dead or hazardous to public safety. We cannot commit to retaining the trees without risk to the public or property.

When a tree is removed, there is always an aesthetic impact to the block. Fortunately, these blocks are already lined with a number of larger trees. Therefore the visual impact will be minimized because of the remaining trees' overarching canopies. Tree canopy loss will also be minimized as the other trees will take over the space temporarily, until the new trees mature and fill in the space.

Removal of the trees will be coordinated with the Traffic Management Group and the West 10<sup>th</sup> Improvement Project to avoid any delays. We also will schedule the removals over a period of 3 weeks, starting December 11, 2017, in order to minimize impact to patients requiring access to the medical facilities along West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. We do not want to close down several blocks at a time in this area.

Urban Forestry will post notifications at each tree to inform the public and provide a contact number to answer any questions or concerns.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Malcolm Bromley'.

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