

File No.: 04-1000-20-2020-125

April 28, 2020

s.22(1)

Dear s.22(1)

Re: **Request for Access to Records under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the "Act")**

I am responding to your request of February 18, 2020 for:

**Records related to the trees that were cut down at 1400 East 18th Avenue:**

1. Information on the tree cutting/management plan in the area and the work scope during the last few years;
2. Details on the specific trees cut down and why there was no remediation done or residents advised;
3. Details on the tree replacement; and
4. Details on why the parks staff have not responded to s.22(1) (the applicant) on this request.

**Date Range: January 1, 2017 to February 18, 2020**

All responsive records are attached.

Under section 52 of the Act you may ask the Information & Privacy Commissioner to review any matter related to the City's response to your request. The Act allows you 30 business days from the date you receive this notice to request a review by writing to: Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner, [info@oipc.bc.ca](mailto:info@oipc.bc.ca) or by phoning 250-387-5629.

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with: 1) the request number assigned to your request (#04-1000-20-2020-125); 2) a copy of this letter; 3) a copy of your original request for information sent to the City of Vancouver; and 4) detailed reasons or grounds on which you are seeking the review.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Office at [foi@vancouver.ca](mailto:foi@vancouver.ca) if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Cobi Falconer, FOI Case Manager, for

[Signature on file]

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\*If you have any questions, please email us at [foi@vancouver.ca](mailto:foi@vancouver.ca) and we will respond to you as soon as possible. Or you can call the FOI Case Manager at 604.871.6584.

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## FOI 2020-125 Responses

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### Point 1:

An annual inspection is carried out in each neighbourhood every year. Work required (pruning, removals) is noted on the Neighbourhood Tracking Sheet to be scheduled at a later date by the area Superintendent. See Insert 1.

### Point 2:

Details on the specific trees cut down:

Included is the relevant page from the 2019 Annual Inspection of Neighbourhood 15 showing the four (4) trees removed in September 2019 on the 1400 block of East 18<sup>th</sup> Av. These four (4) had been identified as dead during the annual inspection. See insert 1.

Also included is the relevant page from the 2016 Annual inspection of Neighbourhood 15 identifying another dead cherry tree on the block. See insert 2.

### Why there was no remediation done:

The tree stumps must be ground down before we can install new trees. There is always a time delay between the tree removal and the stumping. The stumps on the 1400 block of East 18<sup>th</sup> Av were ground on February 28, 2020. See Insert 3.

### Residents advised:

Letters were delivered to residents living directly in front of the dead trees in July 2019 to notify them of the upcoming tree removal. See Insert 3.

### Point 3:

Kwanzan cherry trees were planted on March 17, 18 & 19, 2020. See Insert 4.

### Point 4:

Service Request # 180609 dated Sept 25, 2019 showed that our arborist contacted the resident by phone on Sept 26, 2019. See insert 5.

**INSERT 1**

# NEIGHBOURHOOD TRACKING SHEET

NEIGHBOURHOOD 15

YEAR 2019

DATE

INSPECTED BY LL + KK

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DATE	ISSUED TO:	W/O #	# Trees on W/O	STREET ADDRESS, CELL #	S Y / S	S Y / L	Y T C	P R I - H	R E M O V A L	S T O P / S I G N	H O O D I N G	F L A G	A N R P	NOTES (refer to comments of whether the work requires Lift truck, Chip truck, Hydro, Traffic Management, or any other special notes to help with issuing to the appropriate crew)
3/29				1500 E 19	/			/						Raise crabapples
				32-3300 <del>Fleming</del> Dunfries	/			/						Raise cherries
				1426 E 18					/					R-Dead cell 3 Sm
				3412 Knight (1400 BUC E 18)					/					cell 21 Dead Sm
				1412 E 18					/					cell 2 Dead Sm
				3336 Knight (1400 BUC E 18)					/					cell 10 or 11 Dead Sm
				1413 E 19					/					cell 6 Dead Sm
4/1/19				1400 E 15	/									Raise AMRP Sm
				1700 E 15		/		/						Raise Sys Lg med Boom (Lindens)
				13-1400 E 11		/		/						Deadwood + Raise Lg
				1076 E 16					/					cell 2 Dead Sm
				800-1000 E 16	/			/						Even side only Raise Sys Sm (must Do)
				32-3300 Windsor		/		/						Sys Lg Raise (AMRP)
				3251 Glen					/					Sm Dead cell 4
				1111 E 17					/					Sm Dead cell 21
				1300 E 21	/			/						Sm very low (must Do)

**INSERT 2**

# NEIGHBOURHOOD TRACKING SHEET

NEIGHBOURHOOD

15

YEAR

2016

DATE

JUNE

INSPECTED BY

RN + BE

PAGE #

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W/O DATE	W/O #	STREET ADDRESS, CELL #	C P R U N E	P R I O R I T Y H	C L E A R A N C E	D E A D W O O D	R E M O V A L	S U C K E R S	C A B L E B R A C E	M O N I T O R	S T O P S I G N	Y T C	NOTES
	1432	E 18th					X						100%
	1400	E 15th		X									NYSY SMALL
	3000	MADAMS											SMALL
	13-1400	E 14th											SMALL
3096	3001 3011	VICTORIA 3131					X						Removal
	2000	E 13th				X							LARGE
	2168	E 13				X							red
	2950	LAKewood + 2849	cell 2										cell 5
	1883	E 14					X						cell 8 - 100% DEAD
	3001	VICTORIA					X						cell 4 - 100% DEAD
	3011	" "					X						cell 2 - 70% DEAD
	1640	E 10th					X						100%
	1565	"		X									LARGE FAY cut back
	1537	"										X	RAISE LRTU
	1551	E 11th										X	

Revised: 2/28/2010

**INSERT 3**



### Block Side Listing with Work History

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# VANTREE

## Block Side Listing with Work History

Block >= 1400 and Block <= 1400 and On Street = E 18TH AV and DBH >= 3 and DBH <= 3 and Active Tree

03/27/2020 9:32 am

Address#	Street	NB	Cell	Species	Common Name	DBH	HGT	Cond	Maintenance	Wire	Land	Curb	BaseP	Serial
BLOCK	1400 E 18TH AV				SIDE EVEN									
1412	E 18TH AV	15	3	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL	E	R	Y	N	265665
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/17/2020	JAA	R-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
1418	E 18TH AV	15	3	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL		R	Y	N	265711
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/17/2020	JAA	C-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
1426	E 18TH AV	15	3	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL	E	R	Y	N	265666
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/17/2020	JAA	R-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
1432	E 18TH AV	15	2	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL	CE	R	Y	N	265667
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/17/2020	JAA	R-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
1432	E 18TH AV	15	6	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL	CE	R	Y	N	265843
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/18/2020	JAA	C-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
1440	E 18TH AV	15	2	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL		R	Y	N	265710
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/17/2020	JAA	C-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
1448	E 18TH AV	15	1	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL		R	Y	N	265712
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/17/2020	JAA	C-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
3330	KNIGHT ST	15	13	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL		R	Y	N	265668
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/17/2020	JAA	R-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
3412	KNIGHT ST	15	22	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL	E	R	Y	N	265669
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/19/2020	JAA	R-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
BLOCK	1400 E 18TH AV				SIDE ODD									
1425	E 18TH AV	15	6	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL		R	Y	N	265708
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL		DBH	HGT	COND				
		03/19/2020	JAA	C-PLANT				3.00	1	9				
1455	E 18TH AV	15	2	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL		R	Y	N	265670

# VANTREE

## Block Side Listing with Work History

Block >= 1400 and Block <= 1400 and On Street = E 18TH AV and DBH >= 3 and DBH <= 3 and Active Tree

03/27/2020 9:32 am

Address#	Street	NB	Cell	Species	Common Name	DBH	HGT	Cond	Maintenance	Wire	Land	Curb	BaseP	Serial
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL	DBH	HGT	COND					
		03/19/2020	JAA	R-PLANT			3.00	1	9					
1457	E 18TH AV	15	3	PRSEKW	KWANZAN FLOWERING CHERRY	3.00	1	9	SYS SMALL		R	Y	N	265709
		DATE	CREW LEADER	TYPE OF WORK	CODE	IPM INFESTATION LEVEL	DBH	HGT	COND					
		03/19/2020	JAA	C-PLANT			3.00	1	9					

**INSERT 5**

**VANTREE**  
**Service Request Details**  
**Request ID: 180609**

**Address:** 1400 E 18TH AV

**Neighbourhood:** 15

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**Request**

**Name:** s.22(1)

**Address:** s.22(1)

**E-mail:**

**Phone:** s.22(1)

**Comments:** Caller indicates that 2 trees were removed on the north side of E 18th Ave today along the 1400 block, and 2 trees were removed on the south side. s.22(1) is questioning why the city did not notify residents of the trees being removed, and adds that they were mature trees s.22(1) would like to speak to Urban Forestry about this to get more information.

**Date Received:** 09/25/2019

**Received By:** DI

**Request Type:** REMOVAL

**Work Required:** ROUTINE

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**Inspection**

**Comments:** Trees removed because 100% dead.

**Date:** 09/26/2019

**Inspected By:** JS

**Notification:** 09/26/2019  
PHONE

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**Inventory Information with Last Work History**

Common Name	NB	Cell	DBH	Next Maint.	Cond	Wire	Serial
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**Tree Comment:**

**Maint. Comment:**

**On the:**

**Block of**

**Side:**