

## **PART FOUR**

**Reports of the City Works Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 30 March 2010.**

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**APOLOGIES**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND**

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**Pecuniary Interests**

**Non Pecuniary – Significant Interests**

**Non Pecuniary – Less than Significant Interests**

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| 1.4 | Hume Highway (F5 Freeway) Proposed Truck Rest Area |  |
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### **PART THREE**

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5.	<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>	
	<b>Nil.</b>	
11.	<b>CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS</b>	
	<b>No reports this round</b>	

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## **Minutes of the City Works Committee held on 30 March 2010**

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### **Present**

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor A Rule  
Councillor P Lake (Chairperson)  
Councillor F Borg  
Councillor A Chanthivong  
Councillor S Dobson  
Councillor W Glynn  
Councillor P Hawker  
Councillor M Thomas  
Director Business Services - Mr M Sewell  
Director Community Services - Ms L Deitz  
Acting Director City Works - Mr K Lynch  
Manager Assets and Supply Services - Mr G Mitchell  
Manager Business Assurance - Ms M McIlvenny  
Manager Compliance Services - Mr A Spooner  
Manager Corporate Support - Mr S Kelly  
Manager Customer Service - Mr I Hudson  
Manager Emergency Services - Mr J Dodd  
Manager Healthy Lifestyles - Mr M Berriman  
Manager Information and Technology - Mr S McIlhatton  
Manager Library Services - Mr G White  
Acting Manager Operations - Mr A Davies  
Manager Property Services - Mr J Milicic  
Manager Waste and Recycling Services - Mr P Macdonald  
Executive Assistant - Mrs K Peters

**Apology**      **Nil**

### **Acknowledgement of Land**

An Acknowledgement of Land was presented by the Chairperson Councillor Lake.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest at this meeting.

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## **2. OPERATIONAL SERVICES**

### **2.1 49b Lionel Street, Ingleburn - Tree Removal Request**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Acting Manager Operational Services

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#### **Attachments**

1. Locality Plan.
2. Photographs.
3. Arborists Report (to be tabled).

#### **Purpose**

To advise Council of an Appeal received regarding a decision not to grant approval for the removal of a tree on private property.

#### **History**

At Council meeting 2 March 2010 a report on this issue was reviewed and it was resolved that determination be suspended pending an inspection of the tree in question. An inspection was undertaken by Councillors on 16 March 2010.

In March 2009 Council inspected a tree located on private property at 49b Lionel Street, Ingleburn following lodgement of an Application for Tree Removal/Pruning. The reasons given for removal were due to the tree's height and lifting of the resident's driveway pavers.

An inspection was undertaken by Council's Tree Inspector and the approval was granted to undertake pruning only as there was some minor deadwood present.

In January 2010 the resident contacted Council and advised that he would like to Appeal Council's decision regarding the tree. The resident referred to a Tree Hazard Assessment Report that was organised independently. Accordingly, a further review of the tree was undertaken in January 2010 and it was again determined that there were no horticultural reasons to remove the tree.

Correspondence was forwarded to the resident advising that removal was not supported however the resident could have the matter determined by Council if he was not satisfied with this outcome. In February 2010 the resident contacted Council and requested that the matter be reported to Council for determination of the Tree Removal Application.

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## Report

The tree is a mature Angophora Floribunda (rough-barked apple) approximately 18 metres in height. The tree is located approximately 5 metres from the dwelling with some branches overhanging by 3 metres above the building. Reinspection revealed that the tree had new flushes of growth. There was no visual evidence of significant deadwood, dieback, insect damage, stress cracks, structural defects or cavities. The tree had been pruned away from electrical wires possibly by the electrical authority however not to the detriment of the tree. There was some minor deadwood present and the resident was granted approval to undertake pruning.

In regard to the damage to the resident's paved driveway, the paving has been laid directly onto the ground and the edges of the paving are not secured by a border allowing lateral movement and splaying of the pavers. Some minor lifting is evident and appears consistent with subsurface tree roots. However this is considered a minor displacement.

The independent Tree Hazard Assessment Report received by the Applicant and forwarded to Council in support of the request for removal provides details on the subject tree's assessment, including:

- The Angophora Floribunda (rough-barked apple) to be a mature, good condition with good vigour and form and rate at the highest value for sustainable retention index value with a medium to long term potential
- The tree being assessed at a high significance in the landscape
- The tree should be considered for retention, and being classified as of high significance in the landscape should be given high priority for retention.

The recommendations from the independent consultant are summarised as follows:

1. The subject tree is safe for retention with a medium estimated life expectancy being that greater than 15 - 40 years.
  2. The tree is situated in an exposed location with readily identifiable targets and is tending to age class senescent and should be removed while it is structurally sound and can be undertaken safely, as the potential for branch failure and collapse in full or part is unpredictable with the risk of hazard increasing with age and each successive pruning or branch shedding episode.
  3. The subject tree should be removed and replaced.
  4. The subject tree should be replaced with a suitable small tree at the front of the site such as Lagerstroemia "Indian Sumer".
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## **Summary**

The tree is a prominent feature of the streetscape and retention value is strong. The tree has reached its full height and is healthy with no horticultural reasons for removal. The damage to the resident's driveway is minimal however the Consultant identifies certain issues which could be considered for the removal of the subject tree. On balance, it is recommended that the tree be retained at this time.

## **Officer's Recommendation**

1. That the tree be retained and the applicant's appeal not supported.
2. That the resident be advised of Council's recommendation.

**Committee Note:** Mr Phillip van der Kolff addressed the Committee in support of his application for the removal of the tree.

## **Committee's Recommendation: (Borg/Thomas)**

That the subject tree at 49b Lionel Street, Ingleburn be removed at the land owner's expense by a suitably qualified tree arborist.

**CARRIED**

## **Council Meeting 6 April 2010 (Lake/Hawker)**

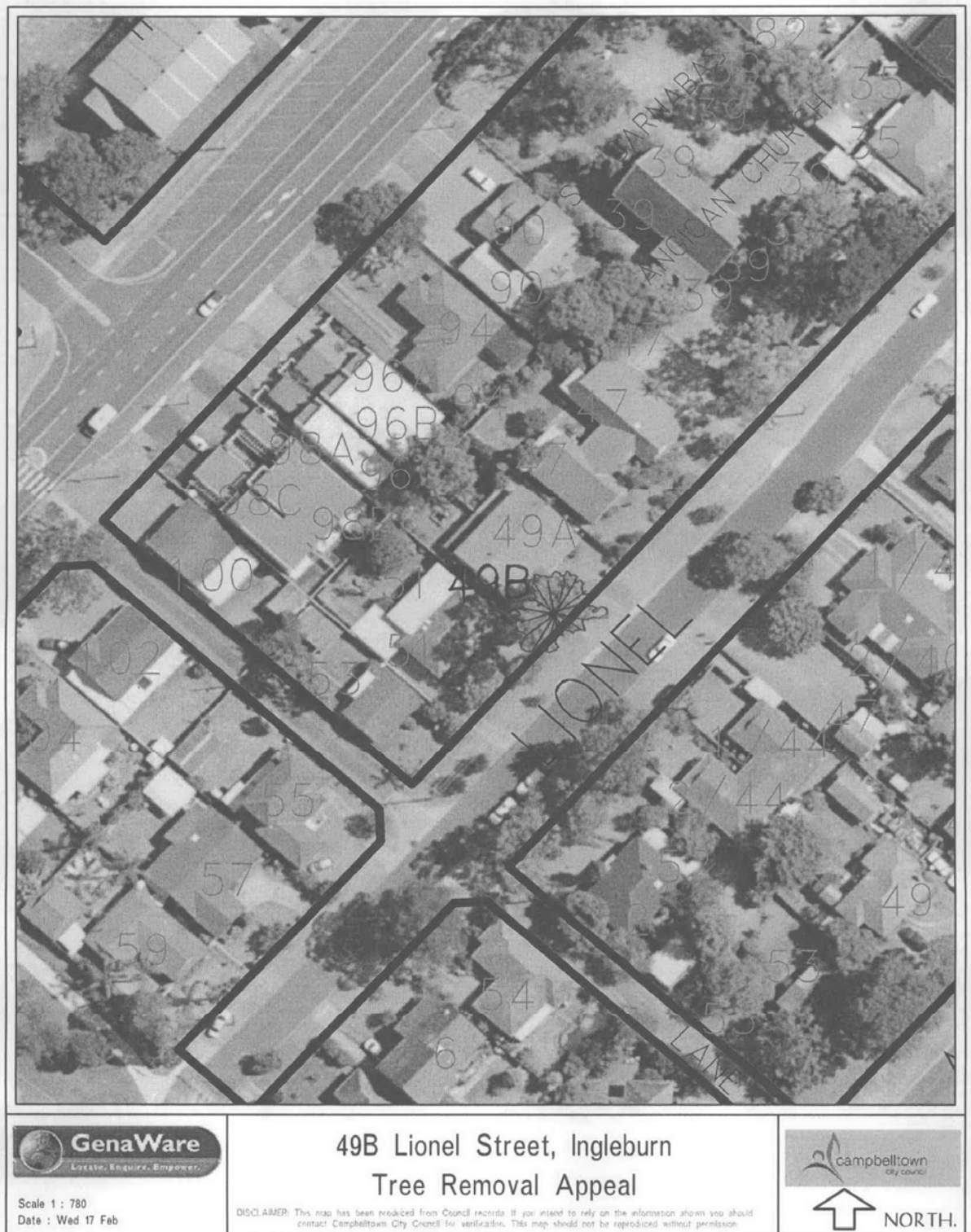
That the Committee's Recommendation be adopted.

## **Council Resolution Minute Number 54**

That the Committee's Recommendation be adopted.

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# ATTACHMENT 1



## ATTACHMENT 2

