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Environment and Planning Committee

Monday, 13 May 2024

7:00 PM

Waratah Room

**Georges River Civic Centre,
Hurstville**



ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

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Attachment 1 - Summary of Submissions

Revised Tree Management Policy, draft Amendment No.6 to the GRDCP and FY23/24 Fees & Charges Exhibition

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Internal Submissions from Council officers

CM9 Ref	Submission Summary	Response to Submission
D24/34013	<p>Edit Part 3.2.1.10 (iii) Driveways must be suitably distanced from existing street trees and add something for awnings (there have been a few conflicts with trees and new proposed awnings).</p> <p>Example wording: "awnings must be suitably distanced to reduce conflicts with canopy trees and future tree plantings."</p>	Add to Part 3.2.1, Control 10 in the GRDCP
D24/45542	<p>Addition to Section 9.8: Last line reads as "Depending on the severity of the incident, Council will consider the installation of signage informing the community of the vandalism and the installation of view impeding banners."</p> <p>Change to; "Depending on the severity of the incident, Council will consider the installation of signage informing the community of the vandalism and the installation of banners within the vandalised trees for a period no less than 12 months or until the area has revegetated or recovered."</p>	<p>Amend the large paragraph of Section 9.8 Tree Vandalism of the TMP to read as follows:</p> <p><i>Depending on the severity of the incident, Council will consider the installation of signage informing the community of the vandalism and the installation of banners within the vandalised trees for a period no less than 12 months or until the area has revegetated or recovered.</i></p>
D24/60158	<p>Policy administration section – the red text: (Draft, under preparation) can be removed, as the register is now published on Council's website.</p> <p>Section 10.4, paragraph two should be reworded to: "Removal and/or addition of Significant Trees (on both private and public land) will require review by the Internal Panel comprising senior staff from across Council."</p>	<p>Amend the Policy Administration (Related Documents) of the TMP to remove draft under preparation adjacent to Significant Tree Register.</p> <p>Updated Section 10.4 to read as follows: Removal and/or addition of Significant Trees (on both private and public land) will require review by the Internal Panel comprising senior staff from across Council.</p>

Submissions from IACA

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D24/46581	<p>Agrees with the IACA STARS method. Suggests that the wording include the term Retention Value where it discusses Significance. A Retention Value is a combined assessment of Significance in the Landscape and Useful Life Expectancy.</p> <p>Suggests that the Very Low or Remove (lowest category) rating be included in the fees calculation, as these trees can have value even if they require removal. For example, a large tree may have been hit by lightning or a truck and be at high risk of failing, however it should still be replaced.</p>	<p>Imminently dangerous trees may be removed without consent. Council has no legal means of enforcing a replacement fee once the removal has occurred. The community will be encouraged to increase tree planting on private land through Council's education programs.</p> <p>No change to the exhibited documents.</p>
D24/56561	<p><u>Suggested changes to DCP</u> Control 7 dot point 1. The inclusion of Vandalism presents as though a vandalised tree is an exemption. Section 8 and 9 are somewhat conflicting and not consistent. Tree permit for pruning only of significant and heritage items is supported, but removal should require Development applications.</p> <p>Section 8 iii. States a Tree permit is required for Tree works that are beyond the development standards specified by the State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008.</p> <p>Section 10 - Development and Trees. There is no specific requirement for all trees and joining property trees to be depicted on the site plans/drawing.</p> <p>Section 11 - Requirements for Impact Assessment Report. This is good, but ties into section 10 – how does council know of potentially impacted trees without mandating all trees on site drawings. Other councils have this issue that trees are not</p>	<p><u>Control 7 dot point 1.</u> Remove reference to tree vandalism as follows and replace with an explanatory note at the end (amendment in red text):</p> <p>Control 7, dot point 1: Removal of dying and dead trees, except in incidences where a tree has been or suspected has been vandalised. Note: in incidences where a tree is suspected to have been vandalised, enforcement investigation will be undertaken by Council.</p> <p><u>In Part 3.2.1 – Trees and Vegetation add new Control 9(iv) - Tree works that do not comply with State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008.</u></p> <p><u>Section 10</u> - No amendment recommended, the submission requirement for plans/drawings to accompany DAs are outlined in Council's DA Guide and not within the GRDCP.</p>

