

Delegation of Authority to Community Councils

Table 1 – Enforcement and Exemptions to City By-laws and Policies in Certain Matters

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Matter	Applicable By-laws, Policies or Regulations	Delegation to Community Councils for Final Decision	Limitations to Delegation
Art Mural Exemptions	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 485, Graffiti	Art mural exemptions issued under Chapter 485, section 4 (e).	No limitations.
Bicycle Lanes such as introducing, rescinding or modifying bicycle lanes.	Relevant by-laws of former municipalities still in force as by-laws have not been harmonized. ¹ Road Classification Policy – A Consolidated Report adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000.	Proposals on local, collector and minor arterial roads. Proposals on major arterial roads compliant with City by-laws and policies.	Proposals on major arterial roads that deviate from City by-laws and policies must be approved by Council.
Fence By-law Exemptions	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 447, Fences	Exemptions issued under Chapter 447, Fences.	No limitations.
Natural Garden Exemptions	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 489, Weed and Grass	Exemptions as a natural garden issued under Chapter 489, section 3 (e).	No limitations.

¹ See clause 4, report 6, New Municipal Code Chapters Related to Traffic and Parking Matters – Consolidation of Existing Related Codes/By-laws approved by City Council at its meeting on July 20, 21 and 22, 2004. This report provided authority to amend existing and create new Chapters in the Toronto Municipal Code. The by-laws of the former municipalities are still in force however the necessary bills to amend the code chapters are scheduled for submission to standing committee in February 2007.

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Noise By-law Exemptions	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 591, Noise	Exemptions issued under Chapter 591, section 10 (h).	No limitations.
On-Street Parking / Standing/ Stopping Regulations such as on-street parking, standing or stopping, side & time restrictions, drop-off & pick-up zones, disabled parking, meter parking, on-street loading zones and taxi-cab stands.	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 950, Traffic and Parking and relevant by-laws of former municipalities still in force as by-laws have not been harmonized. ² Road Classification Policy – A Consolidated Report adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000.	Proposals on local, collector and minor arterial roads. Proposals on major arterial roads compliant with City by-laws and policies.	Proposals on major arterial roads that deviate from City by-laws and policies must be approved by Council.
On-Street Permit Parking such as installation and removal of permit parking.	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 925, Permit Parking. Road Classification Policy – A Consolidated Report adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000.	Proposals on local, collector and minor arterial roads. Proposals on major arterial roads compliant with City by-laws and policies.	Proposals on major arterial roads that deviate from City by-laws and policies must be approved by Council.

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<p>On-Street Traffic Regulations ³ such as turn lane restrictions and entry prohibitions, traffic signal installations, pedestrian crossover installation or relocation and heavy truck prohibitions.</p>	<p>Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 950, Traffic and Parking.</p> <p>Relevant by-laws of former municipalities still in force as by-laws have not been harmonized. ⁴</p> <p>Road Classification Policy – A Consolidated Report adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000.</p>	<p>Proposals on local, collector and minor arterial roads.</p> <p>Proposals on major arterial roads compliant with City by-laws and policies.</p>	<p>Proposals on major arterial roads that deviate from City by-laws and policies must be approved by Council.</p>
<p>Road Alterations such as road narrowing and widening, installing medians and intersection re-alignments.</p>	<p>Road Classification Policy – A Consolidated Report adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000.</p>	<p>Proposals to alter local, collector and minor arterial roads.</p> <p>Proposals to alter major arterial roads and expressways that are compliant with City by-laws and policies.</p>	<p>Proposals to alter major arterial roads and expressways that deviate from City by-laws and policies must be approved by Council.</p>
<p>Temporary Road Closures</p>	<p>Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 937, Temporary Closing of Highways</p>	<p>Temporary closures on local and collector roads where Council approval is required.</p>	<p>Temporary closures on major arterial roads and expressways where Council approval is necessary continue to require Council approval.</p>

³ Given the capital costs associated with this matter, capital costs will be administered centrally by Transportation Services complying with Council approved policies and criteria.

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Sidewalks	Road Classification Policy – A Consolidated Report adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000.	Proposals on local, collector and minor arterial roads. Proposals on major arterial roads complaint with City by-laws and policies.	Proposals on major arterial roads that deviate from City by-laws and policies must be approved by Council through the appropriate standing committee.
Sign By-law Exemptions	Relevant by-laws of former municipalities still in force as by-laws have not been harmonized. Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 693, Signs.	Appeals made under section 17 B (5) and (6) and C (2) of Chapter 693, Signs. Minor variances to applicable sign by-laws of the former municipalities.	Proposals on major arterial roads and expressways or involving video advertising signs must be approved by Council.
Traffic Calming ⁵ such as street humps/bumps and chicanes.	Road Classification Policy – A Consolidated Report adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000. Traffic Calming Policy adopted by City Council at its meeting of April 16, 17 and 18, 2002.	Proposals related to traffic calming on local and collector roads.	Community Councils may not approve traffic calming proposals on major arterial roads.

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Table 2 – Permit Appeals in Certain Matters

Table 2			
Matter	Applicable By-laws, Policies or Regulations	Delegation to Community Councils for Final Decision	Limitations to Delegation
Boulevard Café Applications	Former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 313 - Street and Sidewalks, City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, Licensing and former East York By-law 16-97.	Permit appeals.	No limitations.
Boulevard Marketing (merchandise displays)	Former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 313 - Street and Sidewalks, former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, Licensing and former East York By-law 16-97.	Permit appeals.	No limitations.
Buskers and Street Entertainers/Artists	Former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 313 - Street and Sidewalks, former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, Licensing and former East York By-law 16-97.	Permit appeals.	No limitations.

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Residential Front-Yard Parking such as boulevard parking permits, front yard parking permits and driveway widening permits.	Relevant by-laws of former municipalities still in force as by-laws have not been harmonized. ⁶	Permit appeals.	Excluded where regulated by zoning by-law alone.
Street Vending	Former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 315, Street Vending, former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, Licensing and former East York By-law 16-97.	Permit appeals.	No limitations.

⁶ See clause 1, report 1, Residential Front Yard and Boulevard Parking – Municipal Code Chapter and Policy Considerations adopted by City Council at its meeting of June 27, 28 and 29, 2006 to consolidate existing provisions and by-laws of the former municipalities into Municipal Code Chapter, 918, Parking on Residential Front Yards and Boulevards. The necessary bills need to be introduced to enact the new Chapter.

Table 3 – Citizen Appointments to Boards of Management, Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) and Advisory Boards

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Matter	Applicable By-laws, Policies or Regulations	Delegation to Community Councils for Final Decision	Limitations to Delegation
Citizen Appointments to Business Improvement Areas (BIAs)	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19, Business Improvement Areas	Citizen appointments to Business Improvement Areas.	No limitations.
Citizen Appointments to Arena Boards for: George Bell Arena, Larry Grossman Forest Hill Memorial Arena, Leaside Memorial Arena, McCormick Playground Arena, Moss Park Arena, North Toronto Memorial Arena, Ted Reeve Community Arena and William H. Bolton Arena.	Former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 25.	Citizen appointments to Arena Boards of Management.	Citizen appointments to Arena Boards must be in compliance with the Public Appointments Policy approved by City Council at its meeting in September 2006.
Citizen Appointments to Boards of Management of Community Centres for: 519 Church Street Community Centre, Applegrove Community Complex, Cecil Street Community Centre, Central Eglinton Community Centre, Community Centre 55, Eastview Neighbourhood Community Centre, Harbourfront Community Centre, Ralph Thornton Community Centre, Scadding Court Community Centre and Swansea Town Hall.	Former City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 25.	Citizen appointments to Boards of Management of Community Centres.	Citizen appointments to Boards of Management of Community Centres must be in compliance with the Public Appointments Policy approved by City Council at its meeting in September 2006.
Citizen Appointments to Museum Advisory Boards for: Gibson House, Montgomery’s Inn, Scarborough Historical Museum and Todmorden Mills Heritage Museum.	Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 103, Heritage	Citizen appointments to Museum Advisory Boards.	No limitations.

Table 4 – Other Miscellaneous Matters

Table 4			
Matter	Applicable City By-laws, Policies or Regulations	Delegation to Community Councils for Final Decision	Limitations to Delegation
Art in Public Spaces	Report 3 of the Economic Development and Parks Committee adopted by City Council at its meeting on April 14, 15 and 16, 2003. ⁷	Acceptance of donations of art valued from \$50,000 to \$200,000.	Acceptance of donations of art valued over \$200,000 must be approved by Council. Excludes donations related to zoning by-laws or any other planning-related matters that cannot be legally delegated.
Agnes Macphail Award	Established in January 1994 by East York Council.	Appointment of members to the Agnes Macphail Award Selection Committee and approval of the annual award recipient.	No limitations.
Encroachment Agreements related to road allowances, parks, ravines and properties owned or managed by the City.	Relevant streets by-laws of former municipalities still in force as by-laws have not been harmonized. Parkland Encroachment Policy adopted by City Council at its meeting in October 2000.	Approval of encroachment agreements in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor, where staff have not already been delegated authority for such agreements.	Exemptions related to waiving of necessary survey, registration or annual administrative fees require Council approval. Where the land is managed but not owned by the City, the agreement is subject to the owner's approval.

⁷ The report delegated authority to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for donations of art valued under \$50,000.

Table 4

Matter	Applicable City By-laws, Policies or Regulations	Delegation to Community Councils for Final Decision	Limitations to Delegation
Naming of Streets, Lanes, and Parks	Naming and Renaming for Parks and Recreation Facilities and Parks approved by City Council at its meeting on November 25, 1998. City of Toronto Street Naming Policy approved by City Council at its meeting on August 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2000. ⁸	Naming of streets, lanes and parks in compliance with the City's policies.	Exemptions to the City's Naming Policies require Council approval.

⁸ A Corporate Naming Policy is under development and will be submitted to City Council in the first quarter of 2007.