

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Request for an exemption from Chapter 400 of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code to permit a driveway widening parking pad at 91 Snowdon Avenue

| Date: | April 11, 2007 | |
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| To: | North York Community Council | |
| From: | Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District | |
| Wards: | Ward 25 – Don Valley West | |
| Reference Number: | p:\2007\ClusterB\TRA\NorthYork\nycc07041tsny | (AFS 4780) |

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the community council has delegated authority to make a final decision. To report on a request for an exemption from the Municipal Code Chapter 400, Traffic and Parking, of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code, to permit an existing driveway widening parking pad at 91 Snowdon Avenue which does not meet the requirements of the Code. As this is an appeal and a request for an exemption from the by-law, it is scheduled as a deputation item.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends:

1. that the application for a driveway widening parking pad be denied as this proposal does not comply with the requirements of the Municipal Code.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer have reviewed this report and agree with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

In response to a notice of violation that was issued for unauthorized parking facilities, on September 11, 2006, an application was submitted by the property owner to maintain a driveway widening parking pad. Currently, the owner has two unauthorized driveway widening parking pads fronting the property and access to a rear garage. Further inspection of the location reveals that the maximum width of the mutual driveway at the narrowest point is 3.0 m and the maximum width permitted under the Municipal Code Chapter 400 is 2.6 m. Accordingly, the property does not qualify for the driveway widening parking privileges.

The owner submitted an appeal on November 23, 2006, to maintain one of the two existing driveway widening parking pads. He has indicated that he will remove the second driveway widening parking pad.

We note that there is on-street parking available for this location.

There is one downspout on the property which has already been disconnected.

COMMENTS

Staff cannot issue a driveway widening parking permit for this location as it does not meet the requirements of the Municipal Code Chapter 400.

Councillor Clifford Jenkins has been advised of the contents of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1 Map – proposed driveway widening parking pad 91 Snowdon Av (nycc07041tsny_map)