

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Date:	January 16, 2007
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Ward 27 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale
Reference Number:	06-178364

SUMMARY

To review and make recommendations on a request by Svetlana Levant of Pride Signs Ltd on behalf of Yorkwood investments Ltd. for approval of variances from Chapter 297, Signs, of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code to permit, for identification purposes, replacement of two existing fascia signs with two newly designed illuminated fascia signs, in the form of a corporate name and a logo, to represent "Second Cup" on the south and east elevations of the building at 730 Yonge Street. Each proposed sign is 3.50m wide and 0.76m high with an area of 3.50m2.

Staff recommends approval of this application. The variances are minor and within the general intent and purpose of the provisions of the Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Planning Division recommends that:

1. City Council approve the request for variances to permit, for identification purposes, replacement of two existing fascia signs with newly designed illuminated fascia signs in the form of a corporate name and a logo to represent "Second Cup" on the south and east elevations of the building at 730 Yonge Street.



2. City Council direct the City Clerk's Office to advise the applicant, upon approval of variances, of the requirement to obtain the necessary sign permits from the Chief Building Official.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The property is located south of Bloor Street West at the southwest corner of Yonge and Charles Streets in a CR zone. The property contains a multi-storey building with retail uses at the grade level. The applicant is requesting permission to replace, for identification purposes, two existing fascia signs with newly designed fascia signs on the south and east elevations of the building. Each proposed sign is 3.50m wide and 0.76m high with an area of 3.50m2.

The signs do not comply with Chapter 297, Signs, of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code in the following way:

Sign By-law Section and Requirements	Applicant's Proposal	Required Variance
Chapter 297-2 definitions-fascia sign.	The signs would be mounted on the south and east elevations of a triangular shaped architectural structure located in front of store entrance.	The Municipal code requires that signs be fully mounted against the wall of a building.

COMMENTS

The Municipal Code requires that the facia signs be mounted against the wall of a building. In this case, the signs would be mounted against the south and east sides of an architectural structure located in front of the store entrance. The signs most closely resemble a fascia sign, excepting that they would not be placed directly against the wall of the building. Staff considers the variance to be technical and therefore acceptable.

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SIGNATURE

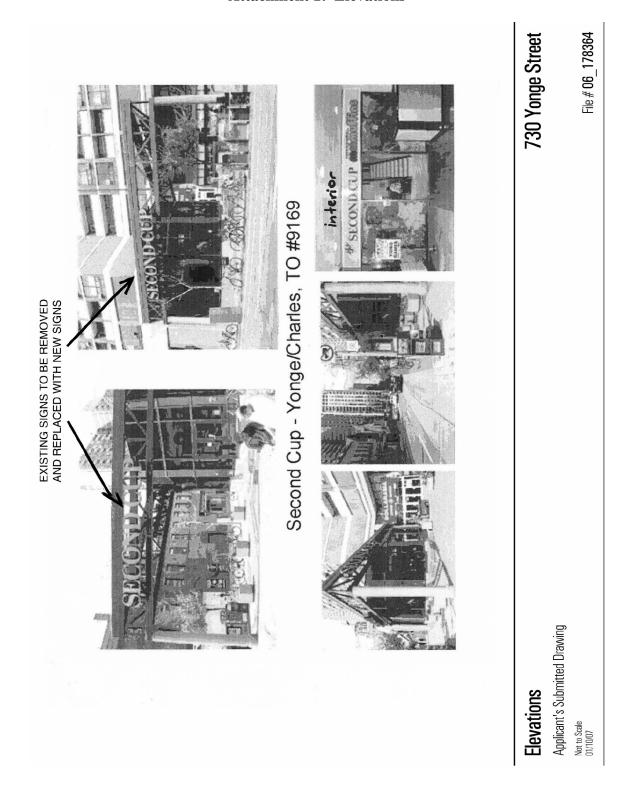
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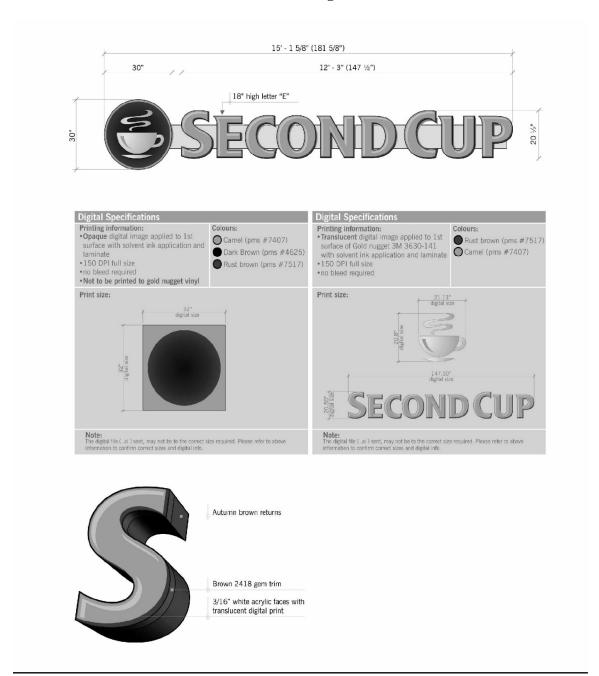
ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Elevations Attachment 2: Sign Details

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Attachment 2: Sign Details



Sign Details

730 Yonge Street

Applicant's Submitted Drawing

Not to Scale

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