



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Fence Exemption Request 37 Park Lane Circle

Date:	April 13, 2008
To:	North York Community Council
From:	District Manager, Municipal Licensing and Standards, North York District
Wards:	Ward 25 – Don Valley West
Reference Number:	IBMS No. 08-120786

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

The purpose of this report is to consider a request by the owner(s) of 37 Park Lane Circle, to be exempted from Chapter 447 – Fences, section 447-2(B). This section states that the maximum height of a fence in the front yard not within 2.4 metres of the front lot line can be 1.2 metres. Within 2.4 metres of the front lot line the maximum height can be 1.2 metres provided it is open mesh chain link or an equivalent that does not restrict sight lines otherwise the maximum height of the fence can be 1 metre. This section further states that the maximum height for any other fence is 2 metres.

The exemption request is for a proposed wrought iron fence and a gate with stone pillars at the entrance. The fence is approximately 182 metres in length and will run inside the south, west and east portions of the lot line around the front yard. It will be approximately 1.6 metres in height. The entrance gate will range up to 2.4 metres in height. The stone pillars for the gate are partially constructed. The maximum height for a fence of this type in these locations is 1.2 metres. The stone pillars are located within 2.4 metres of the front property line and the maximum height for these in that location is 1 metre.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Municipal Licensing and Standards recommends that the fence exemption not be granted.**

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact anticipated in this report

DECISION HISTORY

This matter was brought to our attention by the contractor doing the landscaping on this new home project.

COMMENTS

The owner(s) are requesting this exemption for reasons of privacy, security, safety and aesthetics.

The stone pillars for the gate are a minimum of 6.9 metres from the curb face. There is no sidewalk in this area. This is a corner lot.

Should the recommendation not be accepted and the request approved, a condition of approval should include that when the fence is replaced it should be constructed in compliance with Chapter 447 or its successor by-law.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Pictures
2. Site Plan