



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Request for Fence Exemption for 25 Kingsbury Crescent

Date:	January 4, 2008
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Bill Blakes, Manager, Municipal Licensing and Standards, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 36 – Scarborough Southwest
Reference Number:	IBMS No. 04-204170

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to consider a request by the owner(s) of 25 Kingsbury Crescent to be exempted from Chapter 447-Fences section (2) of the Toronto Municipal Code.

This section states:

“Every fence and gate used in a swimming pool enclosure shall be constructed to the following standards:”

- a chain link fence constructed in a good workmanlike manner.
- a wood fence constructed in a good workmanlike manner.
- a metal picket fence in a good workmanlike manner.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this request to permit the proposed 1.2 metre(4 ft)high safety glass fence be refused based on the non-compliance with the requirements set out in Chapter 447 of the Toronto Municipal Code.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications.

DECISION HISTORY

The City of Toronto Council enacted the amalgamated Fence By-Law on July 6th, 2000 to prescribe the height and description of fences on private property and to require owners of privately owned outdoor swimming pools to erect and maintain fences and gates around swimming pools. This by-law and the amendments are now found in Chapter 447 of the Toronto Municipal Code.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

A swimming pool permit was received by Municipal Licensing and Standards. An inspection revealed a 1.2 metre (4 ft) high safety glass fence being located on the south side lot line facing Lake Ontario which is constructed with material not approved by the by-law.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Pictures