

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Residential Demolition Application – 33 Sumach Street

Date:	August 18, 2008
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Toronto Building, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Ward 28 Toronto Centre - Rosedale
Reference Number:	2008TE012

SUMMARY

In accordance with city-wide residential demolition control under Article II, Demolition Control, of Municipal Code Ch. 363, as amended by By-law No.1009-2006, enacted by the City Council on September 27, 2006 under the authority of Section 33 of the Planning Act, I refer the demolition application for 33 Sumach Street to Community Council, to decide whether to grant or refuse the application, including any conditions, if any, to be attached to the permit.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That Toronto and East York Community Council approve the application to demolish the subject residential building with the following conditions:
 - (a) All debris and rubble be removed immediately after demolition;
 - (b) Any holes on the property be backfilled with clean fill; OR,
- 2. In the alternative, refuse the application to demolish the subject residential building because there is no building permit for a replacement building on the site.

Financial Impact

Not applicable.

COMMENTS

On May 7, 2008, Armando Camara of AC Environmental Service Inc., as applicant for the owners, Streetcar Development Inc., applied for a permit to demolish the two storey single family dwelling building at 33 Sumach Street.

No objection has been received regarding the proposed demolition. There is no permit applied for the replacement building at the property.

33 Sumach Street is part of an overall development plan for a 6 storey residential building and a 4 townhouse project under the name of Corktown Development and the 33 Sumach Street had been merged with 549 King Street East. The project is illustrated in attachments 2 to 4. The development is going through Rezoning and Site Plan review and is near the final stages of completion.

The owner wishes to demolish the single family dwelling at 33 Sumach Street in order to meet important construction timelines.

The application is being referred to the Toronto and East York Community Council because the City's record indicates the building contains one residential unit and no building permit for a replacement building has been applied for nor issued. In such cases, the Municipal Code requires the City Council or Community Council to issue or refuse the demolition permit.

In accordance with Section 2 of the City of Toronto Act, 1991(No.4), c. Pr24, S.O.1991, Toronto and East York Community Council may impose any reasonable conditions which have regard to the nature of the residential property including the preservation of significant natural features and requiring the erection and maintenance of structures and enclosures. In addition, under the City of Toronto Act 1985, City Council may revoke the demolition permit if the demolition has not seriously commenced six months after permit issuance, or the demolition has been substantially suspended or discontinued for a period of more than one year.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1 - Copy of the Demolition Permit Application

Attachment #2 – Existing Condition at 33 Sumach Street

Attachment #3 – Proposed Condition at 33 Sumach Street; Site Plan

Attachment #4 – Proposed Condition rendering of development proposed for 549 King

Street East and 33 Sumach Lands