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Extract of Item EY25.10 of the Etobicoke York Community Council meeting held on March 26, 2009.

Other Items Considered by the Community Council

(The Community Council is authorized to take certain actions without Council's approval.)

66 Trehorne Drive – Private Tree Removal

Decision Advice and Other Information

Etobicoke York Community Council:

- 1. Deferred the report (February 27, 2009) from the Director, Urban Forestry, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to its meeting on April 21, 2009, for the Ward Councillor to meet on site with the homeowner and City staff.
- 2. Requested the homeowner to provide documentation as to what type of work was done.

Origin

(February 27, 2009) Report from Director, Urban Forestry, Parks, Forestry and Recreation

Summary

The report requests that Council deny the request for removal of one (1) privately-owned tree, located in the front yard of 66 Trehorne Drive. The property owner is concerned that this tree may cause damage to the foundation of the house located on the property.

Inspection of the tree by staff revealed that it is in good condition. Foundation repairs have been carried out at the property. If the repairs included disconnection of the downspouts from the weeping tiles, eliminating water from collecting at the foundation, tree roots currently growing in this location will die and not pose a problem in the future. With proper care and maintenance, the tree should continue to provide benefits to the community for years to come. Urban Forestry cannot support the removal of an existing healthy tree when action can be taken to eliminate the problems that currently exist with the tree and the home on the property.

Background Information

February 27, 2009 report (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ey/bgrd/backgroundfile-19391.pdf)

Speakers

(March 26, 2009) Cathy Russo (March 26, 2009) Frank Russo