



STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

Activities at Certain Business Establishments in the Etobicoke York District

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SUMMARY

The Etobicoke York Community Council at its meeting held March 26, 2009 requested the Director, Municipal Licensing and standards and Toronto Police Service, to report to its meeting on April 21, 2009, on the number of illicit activities that have been reported within the last two (2) years at the following establishments in the Etobicoke York District:

- Adult Entrainment Facilities
- Massage Parlours
- Holistic Centres
- Bars
- Restaurants
- Nightclubs
- Hair Salons; and
- Nail Salons

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Members of the Etobicoke York Community Council have expressed concerns with respect to issues in their respective communities that are associated with licensed and unlicensed massage parlours and holistic centres, bars, restaurants and nightclubs.

In response staff of ML&S together with other City Divisions and external enforcement agencies, have conducted several independent as well as joint enforcement actions to address these concerns. In addition to proactive investigations undertaken by ML&S, a focus on these specific complaints has been carried out in the first quarter of 2009.

Although most of the recent complaints can be characterized as criminal behaviour, staff of ML&S work collaboratively with the appropriate agencies to bring about solutions that changes communities.

COMMENTS

Municipal Licensing and Standards have reviewed records in connection with the number of illicit activities that have been reported within the past two years at the following establishment types within the Etobicoke York District. The table below provides the total number of licensed establishments in each category and the number of investigations carried out with respect to these businesses.

Business Categories Under TMC Chapter 545	Licensed Businesses	Investigation Matters		Totals
		Complaints	Pro Active	
Adult Entertainment Parlours	7	1	5	6
Body-Rub Parlours	15	4	3	7
Holistic Centres	73	2	21	23
Eating or Drinking Establishments	1370	3	15	18
Entertainment Establishments/Nightclubs	3	8	62	70
Barber Shops, Hairstylist or Hairdressing Establishments	436	0	18	18
Nail Salons	No Licence required	0	0	0

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