

## **Fence Exemption Request for 57 Laura Road**

<b>Date:</b>	October 20, 2009
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Curtis Seacock, District Manager, Municipal Licensing and Standards
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 7 – York West
<b>Reference Number:</b>	ML&S Folder Number 09 173985 FEN

### **SUMMARY**

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This report is in regard to an application for a fence exemption to the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 447 – Fences, whereby the property owner is applying to maintain existing board on board fencing in the front yard that is in violation of the Fence By-law, for which the Etobicoke York Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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#### **Municipal Licensing and Standards recommends that:**

1. Etobicoke York Community Council deny the request for the fence exemption based on non-compliance with Chapter 447, Toronto Municipal Code, Fences.

#### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

This is a single family detached residential property located in the Jane Street and Sheppard Avenue West area of the Subject Ward, (Attachment 1). Municipal Licensing and Standards Division has received an application from the property owner to maintain existing board on board fencing in the front yard that exceeds the permitted heights found in the Fence By-law, Chapter 447.

Fences, including hedges, within the front yard are limited to 1.2 metres in height, pursuant to Section 447-2.B, Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 447, Fences.

The owner is seeking an exemption to maintain existing front yard wooden fencing on this lot that exceeds the 1.2 metres in height (Attachment 2). The existing front yard fence is approximately 1.85 metres in height (including all fence posts and decorative caps) for approximately 6 metres measured from the front wall of the dwelling out towards the public road allowance. This condition is in violation of the above-captioned standards, (Attachments 3 and 4).

## **COMMENTS**

Municipal Licensing and Standards Division received a formal complaint regarding the subject fencing in August of this year. Staff confirmed the violation of the Fence By-law and a Notice of Violation was issued, dated September 1, 2009.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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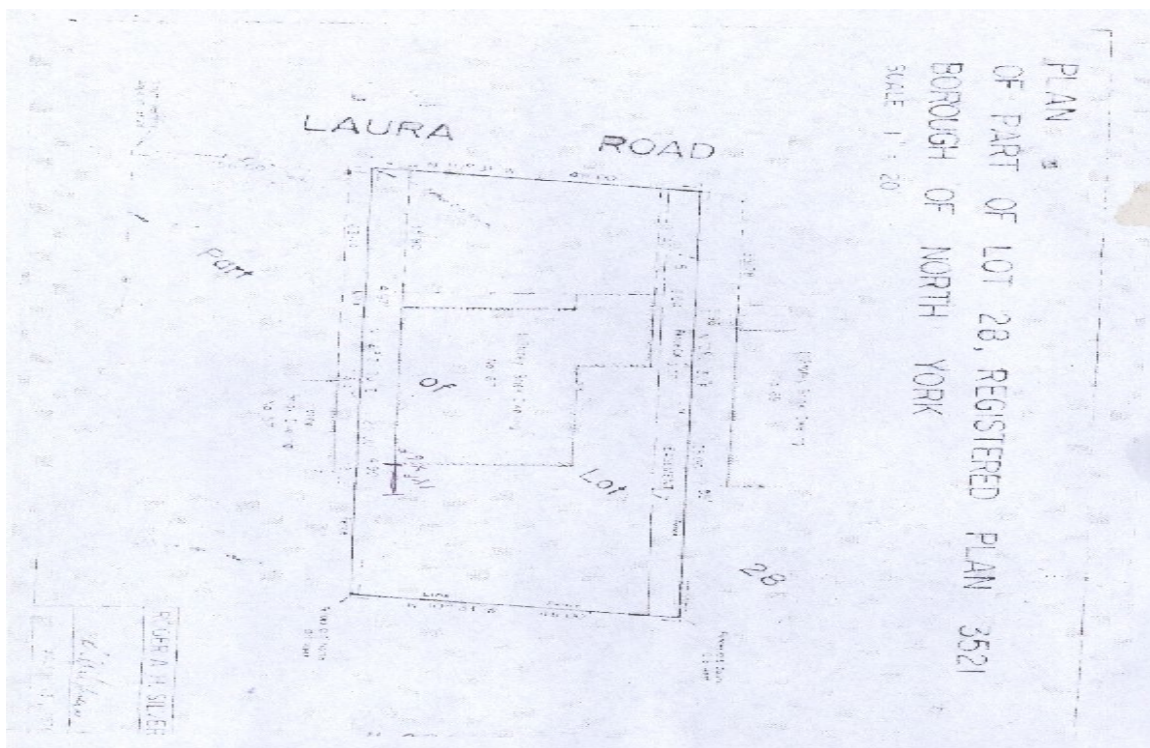
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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Ward 7 Site Map and Property Survey  
Attachment 2 – Fence Detail for 57 Laura Road  
Attachment 3 – Photos 1 and 2 of 57 Laura Road  
Attachment 4 – Photos 3 and 4 of 57 Laura Road

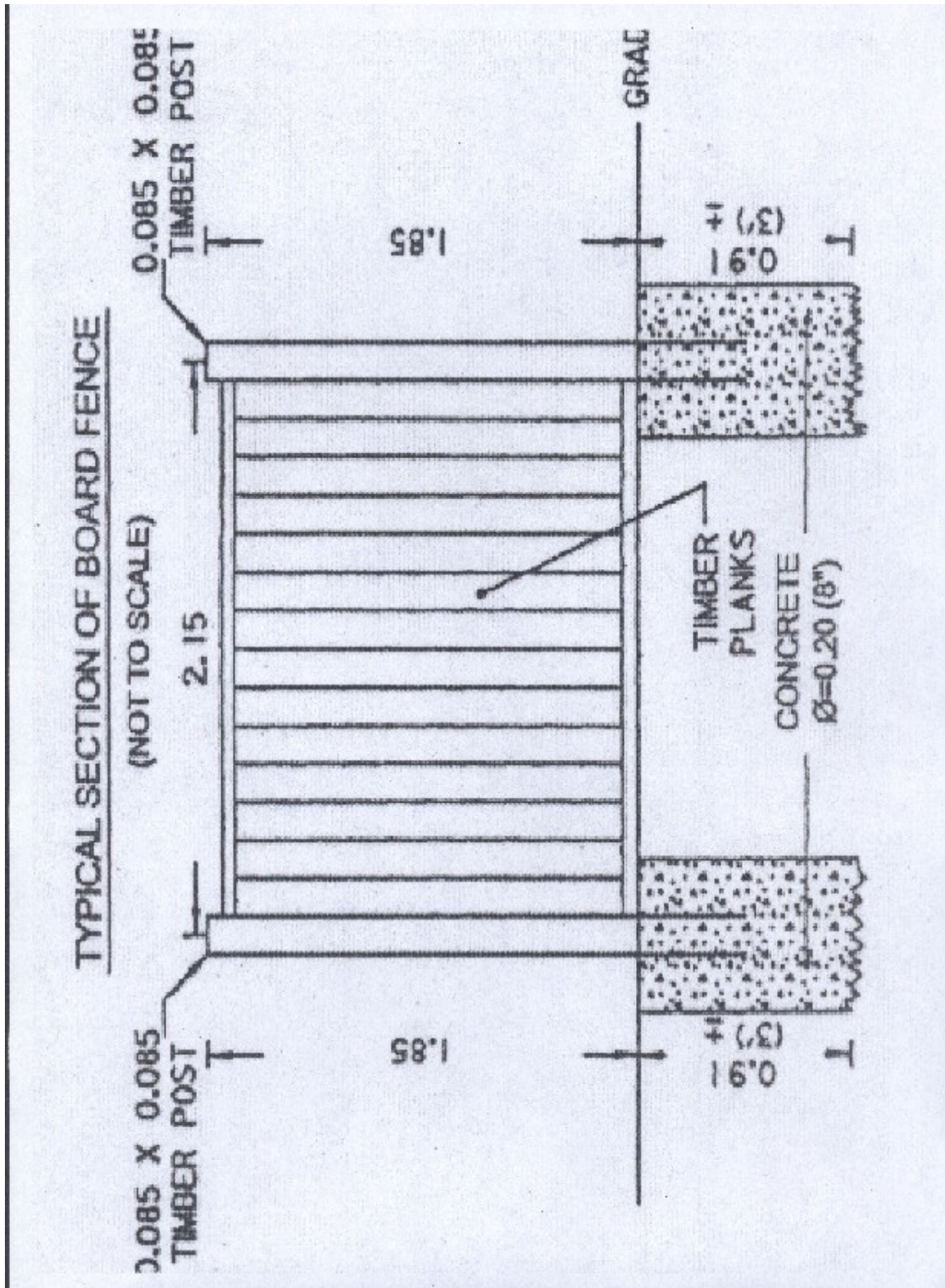


Ward 7 Site Map showing location of 57 Laura Road



Survey of 57 Laura Road

### Attachment 1 – Ward 7 Site Map and Survey of 57 Laura Road



**Attachment 2 – Fence Detail for 57 Laura Road**





Photo 1 – Showing the front yard fencing



Photo 2 – showing the front elevation of 57 Laura Road

**Attachment 3 – Photos 1 and 2 of 57 Laura Road**



Photo 3 – showing the front elevation fencing at the front wall of dwelling



Photo 4 – showing the subject fencing and the adjoining property

**Attachment 4 – Photos 3 and 4 of 57 Laura Road**