

**City Council****Motion without Notice**

MM42.4	ACTION			Ward: 5
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**Ontario Municipal Board Hearing – Committee of Adjustment Decision – 36 Brentwood Road North – Brentwood Library - by Councillor Di Giorgio, seconded by Councillor Rae**

- \* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.*
- \* This Motion is subject to referral to the Etobicoke York Community Council. A two thirds vote is required to waive referral.*
- \* This Motion relates to an Ontario Municipal Board Hearing and has been deemed urgent.*

**Recommendations**

Councillor Di Giorgio, seconded by Councillor Rae recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City Solicitor and other appropriate Staff to attend at the Ontario Municipal Board hearing in support of the redevelopment of Brentwood Library and the Committee of Adjustment’s decision regarding 36 Brentwood Road North.
2. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to take any appropriate steps needed to give effect to this Motion.
3. City Council authorize the City Solicitor and other appropriate Staff to consider the advisability of discussions with objectors and if such discussions occur, the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the appeal.

**Summary**

Toronto Public Library made an application requesting minor variances to the Zoning By-law in order to permit the partial demolition and construction of a three-storey addition to the existing library at 36 Brentwood Road North. The Committee of Adjustment approved the minor variance application on October 22, 2009. The Committee’s decision has been appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Planning Staff support the proposed redevelopment as representing good planning and consider the variances to be minor in nature. Some of the variances are technical in nature in that they reflect the existing situation of the building. There will be no impact on adjacent neighbours.

Funding for the proposed development was approved as a capital project by both the Toronto Public Library Board and City Council. The library redevelopment will be an asset to the community. Not only will it increase the capacity and functioning of the library, it will also result in improvements to the site and the public boulevard. There is a lot of support for this redevelopment in the community.

Although no hearing date has yet been set by the Ontario Municipal Board, a hearing may be scheduled on very short notice.

(Submitted to City Council on November 30 and December 1, 2009 as MM42.4)