

November 21, 2008

**To:** City Council

**From:** North York Community Council

**Subject:** Local Measures to Reduce Basement Flooding in the North York Community Council Area (To be considered with Planning and Growth Management Committee Item PG20.5)

**Recommendations:**

**North York Community Council recommended to City Council that:**

- 1. The report (October 30, 2008) from the from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, as it pertains to reverse slope driveways, be deferred indefinitely, for the following reasons:**
  - a. the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division, to report to North York Community Council for its meeting of January 13, 2009, on possible amendments to the by-laws in the North District that will eliminate all, as-of-right, reverse sloped driveways in the North District, as previously directed by City Council at its meeting of September 24 and 25, 2008; and**
  - b. a statutory public meeting be held on this matter at the North York Community Council meeting of January 13, 2009, as previously directed by City Council at its meeting of September 24 and 25, 2008.**

**Decision Advice and Other Information:**

North York Community Council:

- a. requested the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division, to report to North York Community Council for its meeting of January 13, 2009, on possible amendments to the by-laws in the North District that will eliminate all, as-of-right, reverse sloped driveways in the North District, as previously directed by City Council at its meeting of September 24 and 25, 2008;

- b. directed that a statutory public meeting be held on this matter at the North York Community Council meeting of January 13, 2009, as previously directed by City Council at its meeting of September 24 and 25, 2008; and
- c. received the following communication and report:
  - a. (November 13, 2008) from the City Clerk; and
  - b. (October 30, 2008) report from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division.

Background:

North York Community Council on November 18, 2008, considered the following:

1. Letter (October 30, 2008) from the City Clerk regarding Local Measures to Reduce Basement Flooding in the North York Community Council Area, advising that City Council at its meeting on September 24 and 25, 2008:
  - a. Directed the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division, to report to the North York Community Council for its meeting on November 18, 2008, on possible amendments to the by-laws in the North District that will eliminate all, as-of-right, reverse sloped driveways in the North District.
  - b. Directed that this item be scheduled as a public hearing.
2. Motion from Councillor Moscoe (undated) regarding Local Measures to Reduce Basement Flooding, considered by North York Community Council at its meeting on September 9, 2008.
3. Letter (November 13, 2008) from the Planning and Growth Management Committee regarding Zoning Review of Reverse Slope Driveway Regulations, advising that the Planning and Growth Management Committee at its meeting on November 13, 2008:
  - a. Recommended to City Council for consideration at its meeting on December 1, 2008, that:
    - i. No general zoning amendments be considered for the North York District prior to consideration of a comprehensive draft city-wide zoning bylaw with respect to:
      - a. the definition of Boarding or Lodging Houses, and
      - b. reverse slope driveways.
    - ii. No statutory public hearing be held with respect to the above.
  - b. Forwarded the item to the North York Community Council for information.

4. Report (October 30, 2008) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division to the Planning and Growth Management Committee, regarding Zoning Review of Reverse Slope Driveway Regulations.

(for) Acting City Clerk.

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Attachments – Communications and Staff Report

- c: Chief Planner and Executive Director  
Director, Community Planning, North York District  
City Solicitor  
Administrator, Planning and Growth Management Committee