



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

378 Steeles Avenue East in the Town of Markham

Date:	April 28, 2009
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Community Planning, North York District
Wards:	n/a
Reference Number:	File No. 08 223354 NPS 00 TM

SUMMARY

This report provides preliminary information on Planning staff meeting with Markham and Vaughan staff to review the protocol for handling planning applications located on the north side of Steeles Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Planning Division recommends that this report be received for information.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At its meeting of April 6, 2009 City Council directed that:

1. For the application regarding 378 Steeles Avenue East, in the Town of Markham, and other similar applications in the Town of Markham and the City of Vaughan, that Markham and Vaughan:
 - forward copies of preliminary planning reports to North York Community Council at the time they are tabled at the respective Councils;

- include properties in the City of Toronto which are located within the North York Community Council boundary area in the statutory circulation area for these developments; and
 - notify the City of Toronto and the corresponding local Councillor(s) of any community meetings being held to discuss the relevant application.
2. North York District planning staff discuss the matter with Markham and Vaughan staff with a view to developing a common protocol for handling all development applications within 300 metres of Steeles Avenue and report back to the May 14, 2009 meeting; and
 3. The Chief Planner report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee on broader policy issues raised by this item respecting planning protocols with bordering municipalities.

COMMENTS

The Chief Planner has written to the Town of Markham and the City of Vaughan requesting meetings to discuss the existing protocol followed by Markham and Vaughan with respect to notifying the City of Toronto of development applications that abut the City of Toronto boundary and to develop a common protocol for handling such planning applications. Staff will report further after the meetings have been held.

In the interim, staff will continue to report to North York Community Council on planning applications for lands on the north side of Steeles Avenue that abut the North York District boundary.

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