

## Councillor Adam Vaughan 魏德方

Toronto City Council Trinity-Spadina, Ward 20

**December 18, 2008** 

Councillor Norm Kelly Chair, Planning & Growth Management Committee 100 Queen Street West, Suite C43 Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Councillor Norm Kelly,

Re: Request for presentation on "backyard studios" to Planning & Growth Management Committee

I am writing to request that representatives from the design and manufacturing company BlueSky MOD be invited to make a presentation on their "Backyard Studio" project to the Planning & Growth Management Committee on January 7, 2008.

BlueSky MOD currently specializes in building small, sustainable, modern cottages that are pre-fabricated and off the grid. The idea behind the "Backyard Studio" project is to allow for small, sustainable office or studio spaces that could be easily constructed in one's backyard and used by those who work from home but would benefit from a separate home office or studio.

In conjunction with the presentation, I would like the Committee to request that Planning Staff report on guidelines that could be introduced for residents wanting to make as-of-right additions, and advise on what the criteria might be for acceptable variances.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Adam Vaughan, Councillor Ward 20, Trinity-Spadina