



REFERRAL OF MEMBER MOTION BY CITY COUNCIL

Development Applications - Ensuring Capacity for Snow Clearing Adjacent to Laneways

Date:	January 29, 2009
To:	Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
From:	City Council
Wards:	All

City Council Decision

City Council on January 27 and 28, 2009, referred Motion MM30.11 to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.

Recommendations

Councillor Moscoe, seconded by Councillor De Baeremaeker, recommends:

1. That the General Manager, Transportation Services be required to comment on the ease of snow clearing for each new development and site plan application.

Summary

The City of Toronto does not generally clear laneways. At times new developments are constructed in a manner that makes the clearing of snow difficult and at times impossible. Most of these problems can be resolved with a little foresight. On new development and site plan applications our evaluation process requires, for example, Public Works to comment on the location of waste and re-cycling bins and permits will not be issued if this item does not comply with City standards.

It is my submission that the capacity to remove snow ought to be taken into consideration when a building or complex is being designed. This will save both the city and the subsequent owners much aggravation after the developer is long gone.

(Submitted to City Council on January 27 and 28, 2009 as MM30.11)