



August 17, 2009

To: Scarborough Community Council Members

Re: Approval of sign variance for 2100 Ellesmere, 2030 – 2060 Ellesmere and 1200 Markham Road for Aldgate Construction (774751 Limited)

Dear Chair and Council Members,

Aldgate Construction 1988 Ltd. (774751 Ltd.) is the leasehold owner of 2030 – 2060 Ellesmere Road, 2100 Ellesmere Road and 1200 Markham Road by way of a 99-year lease which is currently in its 35th year of the term (with 64 years remaining on the lease).

The existing facility pays approximately \$1,000,000 per year in property taxes and provides approximately 2,000 jobs; and the new expansion previously approved by Council will provide an additional \$400,000 in property taxes and provide approximately 200 new jobs.

Aldgate has previously agreed to all the terms and conditions proposed by the City for this development and has already provided the City of Toronto with the required letters of credit to guarantee their performance.

The new expansion will start occupancy shortly and Aldgate requires variances to the old Scarborough sign bylaw in order to build new signage on its property that will identify new and existing tenants of the properties

With this letter, I hope that Scarborough Community Council will support the following recommendations:

1. That, subject to the owner submitting the appropriate application fees, Council approve the following sign variances:
 - a) for 2030 – 2060 Ellesmere Road approve an additional 5.7 sq. metres of signage and permit a maximum height of 7.5 metres
 - b) for 2100 Ellesmere Road approve one additional ground sign permitting a maximum of 12.7 sq. metres of signage and permit a maximum height of 7.3 metres
 - c) for 1210 Markham Road approve an additional 7 sq. metres of signage and permit a maximum height of 7.5 metres.
2. That staff be directed to give effect hereto.

Sincerely,

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