

**MOTION**  
**Affordable Housing Committee**

<b>Moved by:</b>	<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Palacio</b>

**SUMMARY:**

2054 Dufferin Street (near Dufferin and Eglinton Avenue East) is owned by the Toronto Parking Authority and has been deemed surplus by them. I moved a motion at the October 20, 2009 Affordable Housing Committee to consider this site firstly for parkland if deemed appropriate by staff of Parks D and secondly to be used for affordable housing as consistent with the Housing First policy.

Habitat for Humanity expressed an interest in this property and has since investigated whether this would be a suitable location for a development. They have declined to use this property due to the problem with fire truck access. The site can now be brought to the Property Management Committee for disposition.

There is a critical need for parkland and affordable housing in Ward 17, Davenport and particularly in the area for 2054 Dufferin Street in the former City of York. There is no green space for residents living in this area and there is a real scarcity of land that can be used for affordable housing.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1) The Affordable Housing Committee defers consideration of agenda item AH13.8 until I have the opportunity to have a meaningful public discussion with the surrounding community to discuss alternative public interest options.

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