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Members of the Etobicoke York Community Council

Dear Members:

Re: 47 Ellins Avenue

I was contacted in 2008 by the owner of 47 Ellins Avenue who was told by City staff that the ramp to his property, which was put in prior to amalgamation as well as prior to his purchase of the property, was too wide and as a result, the City would only allow a 6.0 metre flat driveway entrance and would close off the rest of the ramp with a full curb. After several site meetings with the owner and City staff in attendance, it was agreed that the ramp would be left as-is; however, as a result of recent construction on the street, this matter has come up again with another site meeting held on Friday, June 18, 2010, again with City staff in attendance.

While the ramp to the driveway is in excess of the 6.0 metres permitted under the City of Toronto's bylaws, it was built in 1967 when the owner at the time erected a detached double garage. During the time the ramp was initially built, this location fell under the jurisdiction of the Former City of York, which did not have maximum width requirements for driveways; the extended ramp was in compliance at the time it was built and as such, this location should be grandfathered and allowed to maintain the existing ramp.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Etobicoke York Community Council permit the owner of 47 Ellins Avenue to maintain the existing driveway ramp curb cut in excess of 6 metres, but not greater than 10 metres.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frances Nunziata".

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