

August 17, 2010

Frances Nunziata Chair
Etobicoke York Community Council

Subject: Request from Local Residents for trimming of trees along Shore line in Ward 6

SUMMARY:

Local residents have continually raised concerns regarding trees along the shore line or at the edge of parks, particularly scrub trees, blocking the view of the lake for those walking, cycling or residing in the area.

For several decades the former City of Etobicoke and the current City of Toronto have attempted to maintain "windows on the lake" to allow residents the enjoyment of the lakefront from all parks and roadways adjacent to Lake Ontario in south Etobicoke.

This is now being disrupted by scrub trees and other plantings that are growing and dirsupting the sunlight and the view of the lake. This reduces the ambience created in the community, originally intended by the windows on the lake.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Etobicoke York Community Council request staff to investigate the community's requests to trim the trees to allow continual views of the lake and the benefits it brings to the area and report back to the next Etobicoke York Community Council with recommendations.

Mark Grimes

Councillor, Ward 6 Etobicoke Lakeshore