
City Council

Motion without Notice

MM45.20	ACTION			Ward: 36
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Telecommunications Tower Licence Agreement on City-owned Lands at 2900 Lawrence Avenue East - by Councillor De Baeremaeker, seconded by Councillor Del Grande

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair. Council has added this Motion to the agenda for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor De Baeremaeker, seconded by Councillor Del Grande, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City to enter into a licence agreement (the “Licence Agreement”) between the City, as “Landlord”, and Bell Mobility, as “Tenant”, for the licence of approximately 485 square feet of vacant land municipally known as 2900 Lawrence Avenue East (the “Licensed Premises”) for a five (5) year term with 3 subsequent renewal terms of five (5) years each, at market rates and an option for the City to terminate the License Agreement with one (1) year notice after the first five (5) years and on the terms as set out in the Telecommunication Tower Protocol and under such other terms and conditions as considered satisfactory by the Chief Corporate Officer.
2. City Council authorize the Chief Corporate Officer to execute the License Agreement on behalf of the City.
3. City Council waive the requirement to have a public meeting regarding the 2900 Lawrence Avenue East location.
4. City Council authorize the Chief Corporate Officer to administer and manage the Licence Agreement, including the provision of any consents, approvals, notices and notices of termination provided that the Chief Corporate Officer may, at any time, refer consideration of such matters (including their content) to City Council for its determination and direction.

Summary

At its meeting of January 27 and 28, 2009, City Council adopted amendments to the Telecommunication Tower Protocol with the direction that “All City Agencies, Boards and Commissions and City Divisions be advised that they should not lease space for the erection of a cellular tower without consultation with the local Councillor and specific authorization from City Council.”

Bell Mobility originally proposed to construct a telecommunications tower at a plaza located one lot south of Lawrence Avenue, on the east side of Brimely Road.

Bell Mobility has provided notice to the public and has held a public consultation with the local area Councillor. At that public meeting, members of the public requested that the cell tower be moved across the street to the City of Toronto Ambulance Station located at 2900 Lawrence Avenue East.

Bell agreed to move the tower to the ambulance station based on public input. The local City councillor agrees with this location and Facilities and Real Estate staff have no objection and support the proposed agreement.

Bell Mobility acknowledges and agrees to follow the Prudent Avoidance Policy for the proposal at 2900 Lawrence Avenue East.

City Planning staff has no objection to the proposed location at 2900 Lawrence Avenue East.

(Submitted to City Council on January 26 and 27, 2010 as MM45.20)