

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Exemption to Municipal Code Chapter 851, Water Supply and Chapter 681, Sewers – 410 Rosemary Road

Date:	December 10, 2009
То:	Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
From:	General Manager, Toronto Water
Wards:	Ward 21
Reference Number:	P:\2009\Cluster B\TW\ pw09031

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council authority for the General Manager, Toronto Water to be able to exempt from the requirements of Municipal Code, Chapter 851 - Water Supply and Chapter 681 – Sewers, the property at 410 Rosemary Road as it pertains to the requirement to disconnect existing water and sewer service connections and install new water and sewer connections for a reconstructed building or structure.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager of Toronto Water recommends that:

- 1. Council authorize the General Manager, Toronto Water, to exempt the municipal property located at 410 Rosemary Road from the requirements of Municipal Code Chapter 851 Water Supply, §851-4.H Water Service Connections, as it pertains to the disconnection of the existing water service.
- 2. Council authorize the General Manager, Toronto Water, to exempt the municipal property located at 410 Rosemary Road from the requirements in Municipal Code Chapter 681 Sewers, §681-11.D Sewer Connections, provided the General Manager, Toronto Water, is satisfied that the existing sewer service line is in good condition and is otherwise in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 681.

3. The General Manager, Toronto Water report back to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee on the necessary by-law amendments required to delegate authority to the General Manager to exempt properties from Municipal Code Chapter 851 – Water Supply, §851-4.D. or Municipal Code Chapter 681 – Sewers, §681-11.D., or both, where the General Manager is satisfied that the existing water and/or sewer connections are in good condition and are otherwise in compliance with the requirements of Chapters 851 and 681 of the Municipal Code.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Municipal Code Chapter 851 - Water Supply and Chapter 681 – Sewers require the disconnection of the water and sewer connections at the connection points with the City's watermain and sewer, whenever a building is substantially demolished at the expense of the owner of the building. In addition, the by-laws require the owner of the property to apply and pay all costs for the installation of the new water and sewer connections for the reconstructed or new building.

COMMENTS

The property owner of 410 Rosemary Road is in the process of rebuilding the home located on the property and believes that the previous owner replaced the water and sewer pipes in 1996. The property owner has advised that a private contractor inspected and scoped the sewer pipes and received confirmation that they are in good condition.

Toronto Water has confirmed that their records indicate that a water service complying with the by-law was installed in 1996. In these specific circumstances, it is considered unnecessary to require the owner to replace the existing water service.

There is no record of the installation date, material or size of the sewer service at the property. Therefore, it is necessary for Toronto Water to confirm that the sewer pipes are in good condition and in compliance with the requirements of the by-law before an exemption would be appropriate. If the sewer pipes are in good condition and in compliance with Chapter 681, then, in these specific circumstances, it is considered unnecessary to require the owner to replace the existing sewer service. The current standard for sewer services for size is 150 mm and material is PVC (plastic).

Staff are currently reviewing the above-noted subsections in the Water Supply and Sewers By-laws and will be reporting back on amendments to delegate authority to the General Manager to exempt properties from Municipal Code Chapter 851 – Water Supply, §851-4.D. or Municipal Code Chapter 681 – Sewers, §681-11.D., or both, where the General Manager is satisfied that the existing water and/or sewer connections are in good condition and are otherwise in compliance with the requirements of Chapters 851 and 681 of the Municipal Code.

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