



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Request for Fence Exemption-73 Harewood Avenue

<b>Date:</b>	April 29, 2010
<b>To:</b>	Scarborough Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Bill Blakes, Manager, Municipal Licensing and Standards, Scarborough District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 36- Scarborough Southwest
<b>Reference Number:</b>	IBMS No. 10 129456

#### **SUMMARY**

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This Staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to consider a request by the owner(s) of 73 Harewood Avenue to be exempted from Chapter 447-Fences section (2) of the Toronto Municipal Code. This section states that a “fence in the front yard within 2.4 metres of the front lot line be a maximum 1.2 metres and a fence not within 2.4 metres be 1.2 metres high in the front yard and any other fence be a maximum 2 metres.”

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Municipal Licensing and Standards, Scarborough District, recommends that Scarborough Community Council:**

1. Refuse the existing wood fence located in the front, side and rear yards along the whole north property line of 73 Harewood Avenue.

#### **Financial Impact**

There is no financial implication.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

The City of Toronto Council enacted the amalgamated Fence By-law on July 6, 2000 to prescribe the height and description of fences on private property and to require owners of privately owned outdoor swimming pools to erect and maintain fences and gates around swimming pools. This by-law and the amendments are now found in Chapter 447 of the Toronto Municipal Code.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

The owner of 73 Harewood Avenue has submitted an application for a Fence Exemption under Chapter 447 and received by Municipal Licensing and Standards on April 9, 2010, for a existing wood fence located along the north property line. The height of the wood fence is approx 2 metres in the front yard and various heights of approx 2.5 metres in the side and rear yards . A Notice of Violation was issued to the owners on March 16, 2010.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Photographs