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To: North York Community Council

From: Councillor John Parker, Ward 26 (Don Valley West)

Subject: Representation at the Ontario Municipal Board hearing for 3 Heathbridge Park

(Application A333/12NY. OMB Case File No. PL121275)

SUMMARY:

A minor variance application was submitted to the North York Committee of Adjustment seeking permission to construct a circular driveway in front of the existing dwelling at 3 Heathbridge Park in Ward 26.

The matter came before the North York panel of the Committee of Adjustment on 20 September 2012. A Staff Report dated 7 September was submitted to the Committee, recommending that the Committee refuse the application as it is not in keeping with the intent of the Zoning By-law and not desirable for the appropriate development of the land.

Notwithstanding the staff recommendation that the application be rejected, the Committee approved the application.

The Committee's decision on the above-noted file was appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board by an area resident.

The matter is urgent in as much as the OMB hearing is scheduled to proceed on 11 February 2013.

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council direct the City Solicitor – together with City Planning Department staff, if deemed by the City Solicitor to be desirable - to attend the Ontario Municipal Board hearing related to the Committee of Adjustment's decision on 3 Heathbridge Park in support of the request to reverse the Committee's decision.