Application for Encroachment Agreement
267½ Glenholme Avenue (Amended)

Date: February 8, 2007
To: Etobicoke York Community Council
From: Curtis Sealock, Manager, Municipal Licensing and Standards
Wards: Ward 17 - Davenport
Reference Number: ML&S Folder No. 06-139427 RAW

SUMMARY

To report on an application for Encroachment Agreement submitted by the owner to maintain an existing chain link fence, part of which is sitting on a retaining wall, and the area enclosed therein (including an installed air conditioning unit and a hose reel) within the Earlsdale Avenue and Glenholme Avenue road allowance (for an area of approximately 101.14 square metres or 1,088.7 square feet), as well as part of an existing garage that is encroaching on the Earlsdale Avenue road allowance (for an area of approximately 3.74 square metres or 40.25 square feet) – see Attachments 2, 6 and 7.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

Municipal Licensing and Standards recommend that the Etobicoke York Community Council approve the application for an Encroachment Agreement and the City Solicitor authorized to prepare an Encroachment Agreement for the proposed encroachments subject to the following conditions:

1. the applicant to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Toronto;
2. the applicant to pay all fees associated with the preparation of this agreement, and an annual fee to the City of Toronto for use of the road allowance in the amount of $25.00 plus $5.50 per square metre, plus GST. All fees are subject to change;

3. the subject chain link fence to be kept in a state of good repair and maintenance, and, should the fence be replaced in future, it has to be realigned to allow a clearance of 800 mm – 1000 mm from the existing hydro pole on the Earlsdale Avenue road allowance, in compliance with the requirements of Toronto Hydro – Attachments 5 and 8;

4. the signed agreement to be returned to the City along with the required Certificate of Insurance, evidencing a third party bodily injury and property damage insurance in the amount of $2,000,000.00 or such other coverage and greater amount as the City may require, and naming the City of Toronto as an additional insured party under the policy;

5. the said Certificate of insurance to be renewed and a copy thereof submitted to Municipal Licensing and Standards on an annual basis for the life of the encroachments;

6. the owner to obtain a construction/streets occupation permit prior to the commencement of any construction;

7. the dilapidated garage to be repaired in accordance with Chapter 629 of the Toronto Municipal Code, Property Standards, and, should the repairs involve any structural alteration, drawings for a Building Permit are to be submitted to Toronto Building for approval – Attachments 4 and 6;

8. to maintain a sight line clearance, the hedges behind the chain link fence to be constantly trimmed to a height of no more than 1 metre for a distance of 2.4 metres along the perimeter of the fence on the north and east side measured from the north east corner of the fence on Earlsdale Avenue road allowance, and the rest of the hedges to be maintained at a maximum height of 1.37 metres – Attachments 6, 7 and 8;

9. the tree/shrubs adjacent to the hydro pole to be constantly trimmed and maintained to avoid overgrowth and sight line obstruction to the traffic signs erected thereon – Attachment 8;

10. the area enclosed by the chain link fence to be kept free of debris and litter, and the grass constantly cut and maintained, in line with the requirements of Chapter 489 of Toronto Municipal Code, Grass and Weeds – Attachment 7;

11. the broken driveway to the east side of the driveway to be paved with asphalt or an acceptable hard surface, including crushed limestone or gravel, to avoid water ponding – Attachment 6;
12. a handrail in compliance with Ontario Building Code to be installed at the front steps on Glenholme Avenue road allowance; and

13. the owner to maintain the subject property in good repair and comply at all times with the regulations set out in the former Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto By-law 41-93, as amended, including the retaining wall on which the chain link fence is sitting – Attachment 7.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The property is located at the south east corner of Glenholme Avenue and Earlsdale Avenue – Attachments 2 and 6. The existing chain link fence and part of the garage have been encroaching on the Earlsdale Avenue and Glenholme Avenue road allowance for many years and this application will allow the owner to maintain the existing encroachments and facilitate the repair of the dilapidated garage – Attachments 4 and 6, subject to an Encroachment Agreement being entered with the City of Toronto.

COMMENTS

This application has been circulated for comment to Transportation Services, Urban Forestry Services, Toronto Fire Services and various utility companies, with no negative responses being received, other than the special requirement of Toronto Hydro to maintain the specified clearance of the chain link fence behind the existing hydro pole – Attachments 5 and 8.

A notice of the application was sent to all landowners within a radius of 60 metres of the subject property requesting for a reply for any comments or objections. Among the 54 ballots issued, any response was received.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Survey Plan  
Attachment 2 – Site Plan  
Attachment 3 – Elevation Drawings  
Attachment 4 – Garage Detail  
Attachment 5 – Clearance around the existing hydro pole as required by Toronto Hydro  
Attachment 6 – Photographs showing the general view of property  
Attachment 7 – Photographs showing the close-up of property  
Attachment 8 – Photograph showing the hydro pole and clearance
Attachment 1 – Survey of Property
Attachment 3 – Elevation Drawings
Attachment 4: Garage Detail
No objections on the condition that the new fence is positioned some 800-1000mm away from the perimeter of our Hydro pole #65.
Attachment 7
Attachment 8: Existing Hydro Pole and Fence Clearance Required