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STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED

2 - 6 Lisgar Street – Zoning By-law Amendment –Zoning, Application

Date:	May 7, 2012
To:	City Council
From:	Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning
Wards:	Ward 18 – Davenport
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SUMMARY

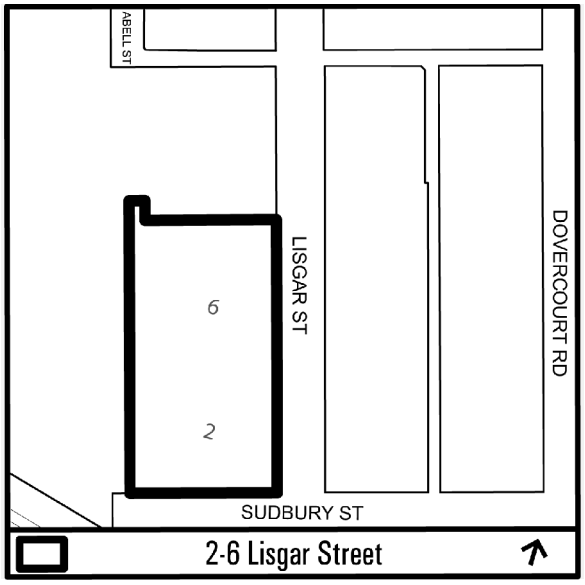
It its meeting of April 17, 2012, Toronto and East York Community Council requested the Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District to report directly to City Council on May 8 and 9, 2012, on a community consultation process to choose an alternate non-profit or community use for the space at 2-6 Lisgar Street should it not be occupied by the Toronto Media Arts Cluster, or if it is vacated.

This report recommends that the requirement for a community consultation process be added to the Section 37 requirements for the property at 2-6 Lisgar Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Planning Division recommends that:

1. The Section 37 Agreements for 2-6 Lisgar Street include language that allows for a community consultation process around the selection of a new non-profit and/or community use should the arts and culture space if it is not to be occupied by the Toronto Media Arts Cluster, or if it is vacated.



2. The Section 37 Agreements for 2-6 Lisgar Street clarify that should a non-profit user not be found for the arts and culture space and the space is being considered for use by City Division then City uses will be limited to community services and facilities such as, but not limited to, day care, community or recreation centres, not stand-alone City offices.

Financial Impact
The recommendations in this report have no financial impact.

DECISION HISTORY
A Final Report was before Toronto and East York Community Council on April 17, 2012. That report was adopted by Community Council with modifications.

ISSUE BACKGROUND
It its meeting of April 17, 2012, Toronto and East York Community Council requested the Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District to "…report directly to City Council on May 8 and 9, 2012, on a community consultation process to choose an alternate non-profit or community use for the space at 2-6 Lisgar Street should it not be occupied by the Toronto Media Arts Cluster, or if it is vacated."

COMMENTS
Planning Staff will ensure that language is inserted in the Section 37 agreements for 2-6 Lisgar Street and 48 Abell Street to require a community consultation meeting should an alternate non-profit or community use need to be selected for the arts and culture space at 2-6 Lisgar Street. For clarity should a non-profit user not be found for the arts and culture space and the space is being considered for use by City Division, as contemplated by the draft zoning by-law, any City uses will be limited to community services and facilities such as, but not limited to, day care, community or recreation centres, not stand-alone City offices.

The community consultation process will be carried out in concert with the Ward Councillor generally as outlined below:

- a meeting will be held after the City is notified by the Toronto Media Arts Cluster that they are not going to occupy the space or that they will be vacating the space.

- the meeting will be organized by Community Planning, in consultation with the Ward Councillor. Local residents within 120 metres of the subject site, as well as any interested parties will be notified.

- the purpose of the meeting will be to provide the community with an opportunity to provide comments and suggestions regarding the types of non-profit and/or community use to be located in the space at 2-6 Lisgar Street

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