

City Council**Motion without Notice**

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Request for Attendance at an Ontario Municipal Board Hearing – Appeal of Committee of Adjustment Decision for 168 Lake Promenade B52/10EYK, A345/10EYK and A346/10EYK - by Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Vincent Crisanti

- * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*
- * This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral.*
- * This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Vincent Crisanti, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to attend the Ontario Municipal Board appeal hearing and to retain outside planning assistance if necessary in support of the Committee of Adjustment decision to refuse the applications with respect to 168 Lake Promenade file numbers B52/10EYK, A345/10EYK and A346/10EYK.

Summary

This motion is urgent because although the date of the hearing has not yet been set, the hearing date may arise prior to the September Council Meeting.

The Etobicoke York Panel of the Committee of Adjustment at its meeting of June 28, 2012 refused the requested variances by the applicant for the property at 168 lake Promenade, Items B91/10EYK, A606/10EYK, and A607/10EYK on that agenda.

The applicant has appealed the committee's decision to the Ontario Municipal Board. The Ontario Municipal Board will be considering an appeal of the Committee of Adjustment decision to refuse the severance application at a date yet to be determined.

In addition to the variances sought by the applicant, an application was made to sever the property into two undersized residential lots and to create additional driveways that would open onto the Waterfront Trail.

The requested severance of the lot is not in keeping with the ambience and character of this historical neighbourhood. Currently the lots adjacent to this property are the same size and shape and provide a standard look and feel that is in keeping with this area.

Lake Promenade is a street where the houses front onto the city's Waterfront Trail in our community. It is a very busy cycling and walking path for our residents. Increasing the number

of driveways that abut the trail is increasing the risks for cyclists and pedestrians. It also results in more cars parked on the street, as these proposed lots and driveways are smaller and their visitor's will park at the curbside, also disrupting the flow of the Trail and increasing risk for cyclists and pedestrians.

The variances will have an adverse impact on the area and the City's waterfront trail. This motion is to support local residents' valid concerns regarding the potential negative impact of this proposal on the character of our historical neighbourhood.

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