TORONIO Member Motion

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM37.55	ACTION		Ward:24

65 Threadneedle Crescent - Request for Attendance at an Ontario Municipal Board Hearing - Appeal of Committee of Adjustment File: A275/13NY - by Councillor David Shiner, seconded by Councillor John Filion

* 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 David Shiner, seconded by Councillor John Filion, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to appear in support of decision A275/13NY of the Committee of Adjustment respecting 65 Threadneedle Crescent.

Summary

An application was submitted to the Committee of Adjustment (Application No. A275/13 NY) seeking relief from various provisions of North York By-Law 7625. The applicant requested several variances, including a front yard setback of 2.68 metres, whereas a front yard setback of 5.25 metres is required. The Committee of Adjustment refused the requested minor variances in a decision dated May 23, 2013 after finding that the variances did not meet the intent and purpose of either the Official Plan or Zoning By-law and ruled that the variance(s) was not considered desirable for the appropriate development of the land. The applicant has appealed that decision to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Accordingly, this Motion seeks to instruct staff to appear in support of the Committee of Adjustment decision. Planning had written a report on the application requesting refusal of this application, unless the front yard setback was increased to a number more in keeping with the zoning by-law and intent of the Official Plan. It is recommended that the City Solicitor be granted authority to attend this hearing in support of the Planning Staff report.

(Submitted to City Council on July 16 and 17, 2013 as MM37.55)

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM37.55 Committee of Adjustment, North York Panel - Notice of Decision on application for Minor Variance/Permission for 65 Threadneedle Crescent (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2013/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-60305.pdf)