



*City Councillor – Ward 17 • Davenport*

June 4, 2015

**TO: LICENSING AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

**RE: LICENSING METHADONE CLINICS IN THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**SUMMARY:**

I have heard from many of my colleagues on Council and residents alike regarding the need to Licence Methadone Clinics in the City of Toronto.

While Methadone Clinics offer an important service, it is essential that they operate in a responsible manner and in harmony with the surrounding community.

Regulating Methadone Clinics and Methadone Pharmacies for the purpose of protecting the health, safety and well-being of persons and to ensure that they do not negatively impact surrounding properties is both necessary and desirable.

With the growing numbers of these types of facilities in our City, it is incumbent upon us to ensure that operators conduct their business in a manner that does not disrupt the neighbouring community.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards, investigate the feasibility of Licensing Methadone Clinics in the City of Toronto and report back to the Licensing Committee.
2. That the report be brought back to the Licensing and Standard Committee no later than the fourth quarter of this year.

Regards,



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