City Council

Notice of Motion

MM5.1	ACTION		Ward:38
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8 Farmbrook Road - Request for City Solicitor to Attend at the Ontario Municipal Board - by Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie

* Notice of this Motion has been given.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Scarborough Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.
* This Motion relates to an Ontario Municipal Board Hearing and has been deemed urgent.

Recommendations

Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Solicitor to attend at the Ontario Municipal Board, together with appropriate Community Planning staff, in support of the decision of the Committee of Adjustment in refusing Application No. A267/14SC respecting 8 Farmbrook Road.

Summary

At its hearing on December 11, 2014, the Committee of Adjustment refused Application No. A267/14SC respecting 8 Farmbrook Road to reconstruct an existing deck above the detached garage. The Committee of Adjustment Decision is attached. In the report dated December 3, 2014 to the Committee of Adjustment, Community Planning recommended that the requested variances be refused. Planning staff believe the potential noise, privacy, and overlook impacts caused by the deck above the detached garage and its proximity to the property lines would adversely affect the use and enjoyment of the rear yards of the surrounding neighbours. Further, the situation at 8 Farmbrook Road would be the only one of its kind in the neighbourhood and would not be in keeping with the prevailing character of the area. The report (December 3, 2014) from Community Planning is attached.

The applicant has appealed the refusal decision of the Committee of Adjustment to the Ontario Municipal Board. A hearing is scheduled for April 15, 2015, and as such this is a time sensitive matter.

Background Information (City Council)

(December 11, 2014) Committee of Adjustment, Scarborough Panel Notice of Decision on application for Minor Variance/Permission for 8 Farmbrook Road (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2015/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-78235.pdf) (December 3, 2014) Report from the Director, Community Planning, Scarborough District on 8 Farmbrook Road (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2015/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-78236.pdf)