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**June 9, 2015****TO: Chair & Members, Committee of Adjustment – Toronto & East York****FROM: Councillor Josh Matlow****RE: 26 Fairfield Road
File Number A0358/15TEY
To be heard on June 10, 2015**

I am writing to respectfully request that your committee refuse the request for variances before you today for 26 Fairfield Road. The applicant is seeking relief from several provisions of the existing zoning bylaws for the area to build a new two-storey detached dwelling with an integral below-grade garage. The applicant requires relief from provisions of the local zoning bylaws for building, height, depth, density, height of exterior main walls, height of the first floor above grade and minimum soft landscaping requirements.

In November 2013 this applicant brought a very similar proposal to this Committee for this very same address, and was subsequently refused. An appeal was filed at the OMB by the applicant which was then withdrawn.

When the application was scheduled to go to the OMB in April 2014, I did hear from several residents that were concerned about the impact this proposal would have on the street. I shared their concerns and had directed the City Solicitor, through City Council to attend and defend the November 2013 decision of the Committee of Adjustment.

Once again I have heard from several residents in the area, who are very concerned about this proposal for 26 Fairfield Road, that it would set a dangerous precedent for future applications on the street should it be approved. I share these concerns, and as the local councillor, I respectfully request that you refuse the application before you today. I have enclosed the Notice of Decision from the November 6, 2013 Committee of Adjustment hearing for your reference.

Sincerely,



Josh Matlow
Toronto City Councillor
Ward 22- St. Paul's

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