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Rooming House Update

In the SCC Meeting of 4th December 2015, Councillors had requested an item be added to discuss rooming houses in Scarborough and as Chair, I had made a commitment to have staff provide an update in an upcoming SCC meeting. My office have made inquiries to staff and Municipal Licensing and Standards (MLS) provided an update on the issue via e-mail on December 23, 2014.

By the way of this letter, I am providing a report to Scarborough Community Council on my inquiry on their behalf.

In summer 2014, the Executive Committee directed MLS to work with the relevant City divisions to examine the rooming house issue. MLS and an inter-divisional working group are working to examine rooming houses and will report back to the Executive Committee in June 2015.

Regrettably, Community Council cannot undertake business that is already being dealt with by another committee – in this case the Executive Committee. However, there are ways for Councillors' offices to be involved in the process.

Public consultation is a key component to the rooming house review process. The results of these consultations will inform a discussion paper on rooming houses that will be presented to the Executive Committee in June 2015.

MLS will ask Councillors to share their experiences on rooming houses and to identify neighbourhoods and participants that should be consulted during the review. So far,

Milliken (Seneca College Scarborough Campus) and Highland Creek (University of Toronto Scarborough) are two communities that MLS has identified for consultations.

Should you have any questions or suggestions, contact Carleton Grant, Director of Policy and Strategic Support, at (416) 338-5576 or <u>cgrant@toronto.ca</u>.

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