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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

146 and 150 Laird Drive – OMB Hearing - Request for Direction Report

Date:	January 28, 2016
То:	City Council
From:	City Solicitor
Wards:	Ward 26 – Don Valley West
Reference Number:	Application No.: 14 169650 NNY 26 OZ

SUMMARY

The applicant appealed the Zoning By-law Amendment application to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) based on the failure of Council to have made a decision within the time prescribed by the *Planning Act*. The application submitted proposes an assisted living/rental retirement building as well as a condominium targeted to seniors at 146 & 150 Laird Drive. 150 Laird Drive is a property included on the City of Toronto Heritage Register since 2007 (former Durant Motors Canada, Ltd.) and Council has recently stated its intention to designate. At its meeting September 30, October 1 and 2, 2015, Council directed the City Solicitor and City Staff to attend at the Ontario Municipal Board in opposition to the application (Item NY8.42). The hearing commences February 29, 2016.

The purpose of this report is to advise that the City Solicitor will be reporting to the February 3 and 4, 2016 meeting of City Council to seek further instruction for the Ontario Municipal Board hearing.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Solicitor recommends that:

1. City Council consider a forthcoming report on Request for Directions regarding the appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the zoning amendment application for 146 and 150 Laird Drive.

Financial Impact

There will be no financial impact arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting September 30, October 1 and 2, 2015, City Council previously directed the City Solicitor and City Staff to attend at the Ontario Municipal Board oppose the Zoning Amendment Application in the form submitted relating to 146 and 150 Laird Drive (Item NY8.42). The link to the Item and the related Direction Report is as follows: http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.NY8.42

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Matters have arisen that require the instruction of City Council.

COMMENTS

The hearing of this matter is scheduled to commence February 29, 2016 for a two week period. Matters have arisen that require timely instruction from Council. The City Solicitor is recommending that a report be brought forward directly to the City Council meeting to be held on February 3 and 4, 2016.

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