
Date: May 10, 2016
To: Members of Etobicoke York Community Council
From: Councillor Mark Grimes
Subject: Request for Attendance at Ontario Municipal Board Hearing – 2 Ash Crescent

SUMMARY:

The owners of the land municipally known as 2 Ash Crescent applied to the Committee of Adjustment to obtain a consent to sever (Application B75/15EYK) and a number of associated minor variances (Applications A667/15EYK, A668/15EYK) in order to build two new detached dwellings, one with an attached garage and one with a detached garage in the rear yard.

City Planning staff prepared a report recommending refusal of the consent, and the local community and I submitted concerns that the consent and minor variances are not in keeping with the intent and purpose of the zoning by-laws, nor the existing physical character of the surrounding neighbourhood.

On April 14th, 2016, the Committee approved the consent and the variances related to the severance (lot frontage and lot area), however, refused the variances related to the construction of the new dwellings. In essence, the applicant would have to construct two new dwellings within full compliance of the zoning by-laws.

The COA's decision has been appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board. To-date, a hearing date has not yet been scheduled.

RECOMMENDATION

That Etobicoke York Community Council recommend that:

1. City Council direct the City Solicitor, City Planning, and any other appropriate City Staff to attend the Ontario Municipal Board hearing for 2 Ash Crescent to support the Committee of Adjustment's refusal of the requested variances and defend Planning staff's recommendation for the refusal of the consent application at 2 Ash Crescent.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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