City Council

Notice of Motion

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Request for additional panelists on the North York Committee of Adjustment Panel to deal with the increased workload - by Councillor John Filion, seconded by Councillor Mary Fragedakis

* Notice of this Motion has been given.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations

Councillor John Filion, seconded by Councillor Mary Fragedakis, recommends that:

1. City Council amend the composition of the Committee of Adjustment North York Panel by increasing the number of panel members from 8 to 10 and increasing the number of panels from 1 to 2.

2. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to bring forward a by-law to amend Chapter 4 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code to give effect to the amendments.

Summary

From January 1 to April 22, 2016, the North York Panel of the Committee of Adjustment has received 406 applications for consent and minor variance. This compares with 477 applications in Toronto and East York, 150 applications in Scarborough and 345 applications in Etobicoke during the same period.

To handle the work load in the North District, it was been necessary, in some months, to schedule two meetings in the same week. The addition of two members would allow the North York Panel to have two groupings of five members each, as is the case in Toronto and East York. The Committee of Adjustment Nominating Panel will be meeting shortly to fill a vacancy on the Toronto and East York Panel and can, at the same time, consider applications for the additional North York members.