

**City Council****Notice of Motion**

MM20.48	ACTION			Ward:15
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**720 Marlee Avenue - Request for Attendance at the Ontario Municipal Board - by Councillor Josh Colle, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside**

*\* Notice of this Motion has been given.*

*\* This Motion is subject to referral to the North York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

*\* This Motion relates to an Ontario Municipal Board Hearing and has been deemed urgent.*

**Recommendations**

Councillor Josh Colle, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City Solicitor and appropriate staff to attend the Ontario Municipal Board and oppose the proposed consent and variances requested in Application Nos. B0001/16NY, A0028/16NY, and A0029/16NY respecting 720 Marlee Avenue.
2. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to retain outside consultants as necessary to oppose the proposed consent and variances requested in Application Nos. B0001/16NY, A0028/16NY, and A0029/16NY respecting 720 Marlee Avenue.

**Summary**

On April 20, 2016 an application for consent (B0001/16NY) and two applications for minor variance (A0028/16NY and A0029/16NY) related to 720 Marlee Avenue were heard by the Committee of Adjustment, North York Panel. The applicant was seeking to sever the property into two undersized parts and to construct two new residential buildings with variances related to lot area, frontage, storeys, setback and height.

City Planning staff wrote a negative report recommending the Committee of Adjustment refuse the applications. In their report, Staff were concerned that this severance would impact on the character of the neighbourhood, and could lead to other applications of similar scope and weaken the established character of the neighbourhood. As such, Staff recommended the applications be refused in order to respect and reinforce the existing lot pattern and frontages in the neighbourhood. The Committee of Adjustment decided to refuse all three applications.

On May 24, 2016, the applicants appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board.

**Background Information (City Council)**

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Committee of Adjustment, North York Panel Notices of Decision on applications for Consent and Minor Variance/Permission for 720 Marlee Avenue

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-94858.pdf>

(April 11, 2016) Report from the Director, Community Planning, North York District on 720 Marlee Avenue

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-94859.pdf>