

MEMO

TO: Toronto East York Community Council
FROM: Councillor Joe Mihevc
RE: Request Staff Attendance at an OMB Hearing
DATE: February 16, 2017

Motion:

I request that a City Planner or/and City Solicitor, as appropriate, attend the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearing in support of the mediated settlement achieved between Beth Tzedec and local neighbourhood residents.

Background:

Beth Tzedec, located at 1700 Bathurst Street, applied for an ongoing by-law amendment for building modifications they were seeking. Their application was rejected by the Committee of Adjustment. In response, the synagogue applied to the OMB, which will be hearing the case in early May 2017.

As the local Councillor, I have worked to mediate a building solution more amenable to the surrounding neighbourhood. Through considerable efforts an agreement has been achieved, and it appears that Beth Tzedec and the local community can go to the OMB petitioning for the minutes of settlement.

My request is to have our City Solicitor appoint a lawyer to review the agreement to ensure that the community agreements are appropriately presented and protected within the settlement.

Sincerely,

Councillor Joe Mihevc
Ward 21, St. Paul's West