

TEXT OF EMAIL SENT TO NORTH YORK COUNCILLORS FRIDAY, JULY 20, 2018

Re: 35 Dinnick Item 32.17 NY – Historic Designation of House

Homeowner Opposes Designation Attempt

Councillor:

At Community Council meeting 32 **Heritage Staff repeatedly misinformed you.**

Heritage Staff told you that this application was **deferred** at Committee of Adjustment **so Heritage could study the matter.**

This is simply not true.

Attached is the **video** and a transcription of what the Committee actually said.

Video can also be seen on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/ExfktmaaWiQ>.

No one mentioned Heritage - Ever.

No one from Heritage *was even at the Hearing* – we were – and we have no idea how this assertion came to be.

We think they have been **just as careless on their supporting historic research.**

Please **DO NOT DESIGNATE** this property.

There is **NO CASE, NO REASON** and **NO NEED**.

For more information see my past submissions on this Item or contact me directly.

Thanks,

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For Dr. Victor Spear, Owner, 35 Dinnick Crescent, Toronto

Transcript of Committee of Adjustment Deferral Request for 35 Dinnick Avenue (File A1075/17NY)

Hearing held NYCC P12 Feb 28, 2018

Committee Members:

Rick Ross (Chair)
Beth Levy
Denise Graham
Wayne McEachern

Speaker	Exact Quote
Angus Skene (Agent)	<i>Yes, hi I'm Angus Skene the Agent. Ah, we would like to request a deferral. Having spoken - the Owner has spoken - to the neighbours and taking all matters into consideration it just makes sense</i>
Rick Ross (Chair)	<i>And the reason for the deferral?</i>
Angus Skene (Agent)	<i>Ah, to consider options to vary the proposal</i>
Rick Ross (Chair)	<i>Ok, so to make changes to the variances after - based on consulting with the neighbours</i>
Angus Skene (Agent)	<i>And owner</i>
Rick Ross (Chair)	<i>Um, is there anyone who wants to speak against the request for the deferral? No? Okay. Seems logical.</i>
Denise Graham	<i>I'll move approval to defer this application</i>
Rick Ross (Chair)	<i>Ah, to give them an opportunity to meet with the neighbours, more meeting with the neighbours to make changes to the variances.</i>
Rick Ross (Chair)	<i>So, do I have a seconder for Ms. Graham's motion? Seconded by Ms. Levy. All those in favour? So, your application to defer is granted. Sine die.</i>

RE: Item 32.17 NY - *Intent to Historically Designate 35 Dinnick Crescent*

Councillors:

Heritage says **ONLY YOU** can *Stop this Process*.

Please...Do NOT Designate 35 Dinnick Crescent.

- The **OWNER OPPOSES** the Designation
- There is **NO CASE** to Designate it.
- There is **NO NEED** to Designate it.
- **Community Council** sent this Item along **WITHOUT RECOMENDATION.**

LEARN THE FACTS:

First of All:

1. Heritage has **NEVER LISTED** this property on the City's Heritage Register.
2. Heritage **NEVER APPROACHED** the Property Owner to Discuss Designation.
3. Heritage did **NOT RESPOND** to a Public Request for Designation - Heritage created this Designation internally.
4. Heritage has **NOT DEMONSTRATED** that ANY Owner or Resident of the building is significant.
5. Heritage has **NOT DEMONSTRATED** that ANY Builder or Designer of the building is significant.
6. Heritage has **NOT DEMONSTRATED** that THIS building is critical to any Heritage Qualities the area may have.
7. Heritage has **NOT BEEN UPFRONT** about COSTS - This Designation has and will Cost the City Money.

Worst of All:

8. Heritage have **MISINFORMED COUNCILLORS** about the Committee of Adjustment Deferral Decision:
9. Heritage was **NOT** the Reason for Deferral of the Committee of Adjustment Application.
10. Heritage was **NEVER MENTIONED** by the Committee of Adjustment Members.
11. Heritage did **NOT ATTEND** the Committee of Adjustment Hearing.
12. The application **WAS** deferred so the Owner could *work with his neighbours* to reduce the **ZONING** Variances.

*See the Committee of Adjustment **VIDEO ON YOUTUBE** at <https://youtu.be/ExfktmaaWiQ>
Or read the **attached transcript.**

Best of All:

13. The **PROPOSAL** that caused Heritage concern has been **WITHDRAWN** - it no longer exists.
14. **HERITAGE SUPPORTS** a **NEW PROPOSAL** that also **GREATLY REDUCES THE ZONING VARIANCES.**
15. The Area is slated for a **HERITAGE DISTRICT STUDY** that will properly deal with **ALL** local Heritage issues.
16. ***ALL DESIGNATION WILL DO IS WASTE TIME and MONEY*** - for the Owner - and for the **CITY.**

Learn More!

See previous submissions by Angus Skene or contact him directly at angus@angusskene.com / 416-885-9255
Produced by Angus Skene for Dr. Victor Spear, Owner of 35 Dinnick Crescent, July 16, 2018