

14 Lippincott Street West - Application for Fence Exemption

Date: July 11th, 2025

To: Etobicoke York Community Council

From: District Manager, Municipal Licensing and Standards, West District

Wards: Ward 5 – York South-Weston

SUMMARY

The Applicant for 14 Lippincott Street West has requested Etobicoke York Community Council to exempt their property from the following by-law requirements:

City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 447 1.2.(A)(2)

No barbed wire, chicken wire or other barbed or sharp material shall be used in any fence unless the fence is permitted by Subsection B to exceed 2.5 metres in height and the barbed or sharp material is installed at a height of not less than 2.5 metres on metal brackets inclined towards the enclosed area at an angle of 45 degrees.

The Applicant for 14 Lippincott Street West is requesting an exemption for their existing fence to be constructed with sharp materials at multiple locations throughout the rear yard.

Municipal Licensing and Standards Division has inspected the subject property and issued a notice of violation of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 447 1.2A.(2).

RECOMMENDATIONS

The District Manager, Municipal Licensing and Standards, West District recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council pursuant to City of Toronto Municipal Code Fences Chapter 447 1.2A.(2).

1. Refuse to grant an exemption to Chapter 447, Fences, to the property owner 14 Lippincott Street West, for the existing fence described in the Summary of this report.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact to the City of Toronto.

DECISION HISTORY

There are no previous Fence Exemption decisions on 14 Lippincott Street West

COMMENTS

Municipal Licensing and Standards Inspection Results:

The existing fence violates the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 447 – Fences requirements

GENERAL LOCATION	SPECIFIC LOCATION	CONSTRUCTION and DEFICIENCY	BY-LAW SECTION and REQUIREMENT*
Rear Yard	West side, North side, and East side of the Rear Yard	Sharp materials installed on the top and in the gaps of the lattice on the fence.	<i>Chapter 447 Section 447 1.2.(A)(2)</i> No barbed wire, chicken wire or other barbed or sharp material shall be used in any fence unless the fence is permitted by Subsection B to exceed 2.5 metres in height and the barbed or sharp material is installed at a height of not less than 2.5 metres on metal brackets inclined towards the enclosed area at an angle of 45 degrees

City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 447 Fences Bylaw set out the requirements for fence materials:

- Prohibited material - barbed wire, chicken wire, or any other barbed or sharp material, sheet metal and corrugated metal panels are not allowed and fences cannot be used to conduct electricity, unless the fence is on agricultural land used for raising livestock.

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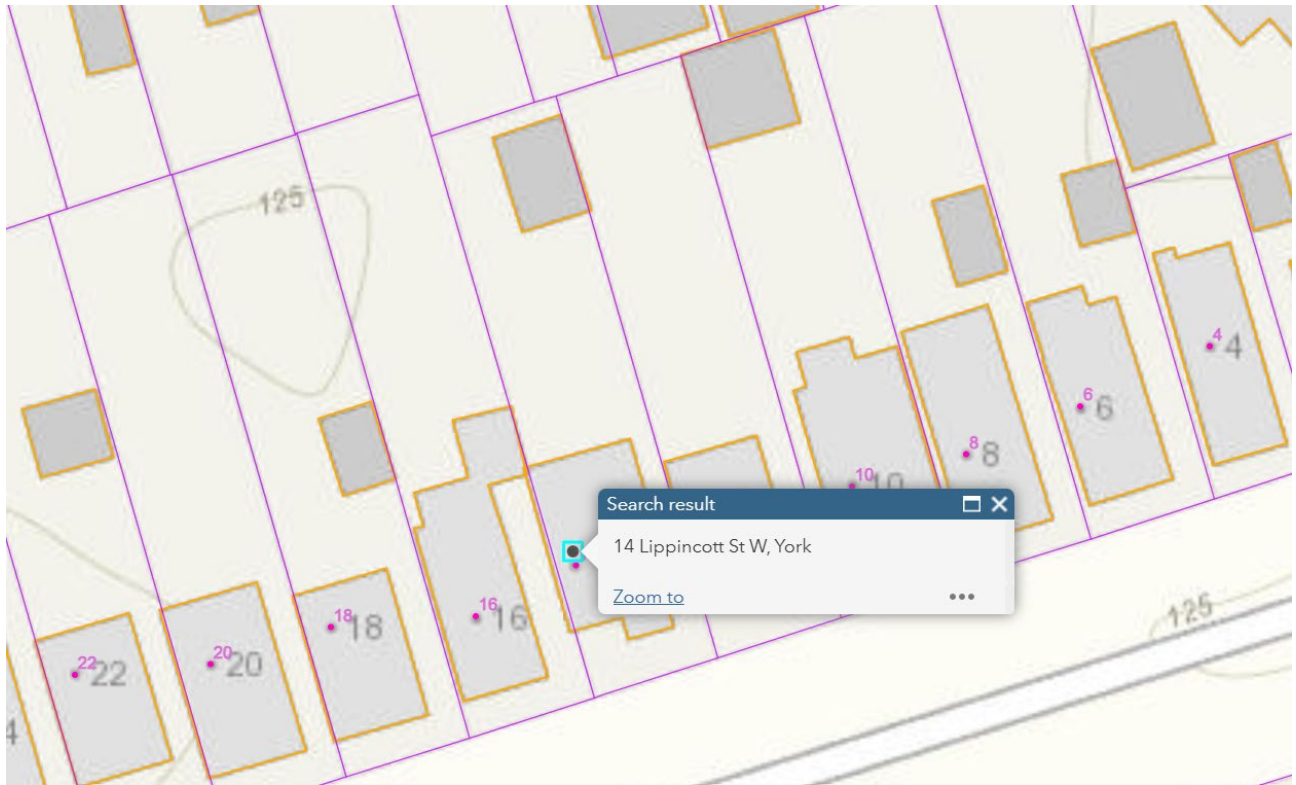
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: iView Map of Property – 14 Lippincott Street West - City of Toronto.
Attachment 2: Photo – Fence Panel with Sharp Materials

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