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TO: Barbara Bartosik, Manager & Deputy Secretary-Treasurer – Etobicoke York

FROM: Hai Nguyen, Acting Supervisor, Tree Protection & Plan Review – Etobicoke York

RE: **Conditions of Urban Forestry – Committee of Adjustment Hearing May 28, 2026**

This will acknowledge the “Public Hearing Notice” regarding an application for approval of the Committee of Adjustment for requested variance(s) and/or consent.

Urban Forestry advises that any or all the following Conditions/Recommendations may be applied to the addresses as outlined in the table below.

Conditions

1. Submission of a complete application for a permit to injure or remove a City-Owned tree(s), as per City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 813, Trees Article II Trees on City Streets.
2. Submission of a complete application for a permit to injure or remove a privately owned tree(s), as per City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 813, Trees Article III Private Tree Protection.
3. Where there is no existing street tree, the owner shall provide payment for the planting of one street tree on the City Road Allowance abutting each of the sites involved in the application. The current Street Tree Planting Payment is \$583/tree.

Recommendations

4. Urban Forestry requests deferral of the Committee of Adjustment application to fully address the impacts to a bylaw protected tree(s). Additional information is provided through the attached memorandum.
5. Urban Forestry requests denial of the Committee of Adjustment application due to the impacts to a bylaw protected tree(s). Additional information is provided through the attached memorandum.

Advisory Comments

- Any application to remove/injure a City-Owned tree may be denied regardless of Committee of Adjustment approval. Should the applicant wish to appeal a denial by Urban Forestry, the matter may be referred to City Council through Community Council for consideration.

- Approval of the consent/minor variances listed in the subject Committee of Adjustment application does not preclude the applicant from obtaining the necessary tree removal/injury permits from Urban Forestry.
- All bylaw protected trees located on site and within 6 m of the site (12 m within the ravine protected area) must be protected in accordance with the City's *Tree Protection Policy and Specifications for Construction near Trees*. No excavation, grade changes, cutting of tree roots, extensive pruning to the tree's canopy or movement or storage of equipment/construction material/excavated soil is permitted within the minimum tree protection zones of trees unless prior authorization has been obtained from Urban Forestry.

Applicants must provide Urban Forestry with a copy of the Committee of Adjustment Decision, Final & Binding letter or the TLAB decision. A clearance letter will be issued once the required conditions are fulfilled. For additional information please forward inquiries to tpprwest@toronto.ca or call **416-338-6596**.

Hai Nguyen
A/Supervisor, Tree Protection and Plan Review

cc: Forestry File
Committee of Adjustment

ITEM	FILE #	ADDRESS	WARD	URBAN FORESTRY CONDITION/RECOMMENDATION				
				1	2	3	4	5
5.	A0122/26EYK	10 STONEGATE RD	Etobicoke Lakeshore (3)	X				
13.	A0136/26EYK	27 BELVALE AVE	Etobicoke Lakeshore (3)	X	X			
14.	A0318/25EYK DEFERRED from April 23, 2026	2 BLAKETON RD	Etobicoke Centre (2)	X	X			
15A.	B0025/25EYK	222 KING ST	York South- Weston (5)			X		
15B.	A0226/25EYK	222 KING ST – PART 1	York South- Weston (5)			X		
15C.	A0236/25EYK	222 KING ST – PART 2	York South- Weston (5)			X		
16A.	B0010/26EYK	210 BETA ST	Etobicoke Lakeshore (3)			X		

16B.	A0065/26EYK	210 BETA ST - PART 1	Etobicoke Lakeshore (3)			X		
16C.	A0066/26EYK	210 BETA ST - PART 2	Etobicoke Lakeshore (3)			X		
19.	A0034/26EYK DEFERRED from March 12, 2026 and April 23, 2026	81 AILEEN AVE	York South-Weston (5)			X		
20.	A0075/26EYK DEFERRED from April 9, 2026	1178 ROYAL YORK RD	Etobicoke Centre (2)		X	X		

Delegated Files:

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Date: May 19, 2026

To: Barbara Bartosik, Manager & Deputy Secretary-Treasurer City Planning,
Community Planning – Etobicoke York District

From: Nick Biffis, Acting Supervisor
Tree Protection and Plan Review – Etobicoke York District

Re: **2 BLAKETON RD- Minor Variance Application No. A0318/25EYK**

Urban Forestry staff has reviewed the application and does not object to the approval of the proposed variances.

There are components of the project design outlined in the plans submitted to the COA that appear to impact trees protected under Municipal Code Chapter 813 Trees. As the impact to these trees is not directly related to the approval of the COA application or the applicant's as-of-right permissions, no approval conditions are requested. However, Urban Forestry advises that an application to injure or remove these trees may be denied.

Preserving and enhancing the urban forest is an objective clearly outlined in the City of Toronto's *Official Plan* including Section 3.4.1.d). In the interest of providing constructive feedback on the applicant's proposal, Urban Forestry provides the following advisory comments concerning some of the potential impacts to bylaw protected trees:

- The location of the proposed driveway will cause removal an 18 cm diameter Red maple tree, identified as Tree #3 on the Arborist Report.
- Urban Forestry advises than any application to destroy the tree may be denied as it is maintainable and a valuable part of the urban forest.
- Should the applicant wish to appeal Urban Forestry's decision to deny a tree injury or removal permit, the matter may be referred to City Council through Etobicoke-York Community Council for consideration.

Additional Information

As outlined, the submitted plans have indicated the removal of a healthy city owned tree.

Tree No. 3



(Aaron Daghighi/ Toronto Forestry file photo)

City -owned Red maple tree measuring 18cm in diameter protected by MCC Bylaw, 813, Article II City Trees Bylaw

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