

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MARCH 6, 2006**

**AMENDMENT TO PLANNING APPLICATION FEES BY-LAW  
CITY OF VAUGHAN – FILE 12.13**

**Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT Planning Application Fees By-law 148-2005, be amended, to introduce an Interim Control By-law Amendment Application Fee of \$3,790.00.
2. THAT Planning Application Fees By-law 148-2005, be repealed.
3. THAT an amending Planning Application Fees By-law be brought forward to the Council Meeting of March 20, 2006 for enactment.

**Economic Impact**

There are no requirements for new funding associated with this report.

**Purpose**

To amend the Development Planning Department's Planning Application Fees By-law to introduce an Interim Control By-law Amendment Application Fee.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

The Development Planning Department is proposing to introduce an Interim Control By-law Amendment Application Fee. This will require an amendment to the current Planning Application Fees By-law 148-2005.

a) **Introduce an Interim Control By-law Amendment Application Fee**

Currently, there is no application or corresponding fee for a property owner to amend a City-initiated Interim Control By-law, in order to exempt their property and allow development applications to be submitted and/or building permits to be issued, while the City undertakes a land use study for a period of up to 2 years. In certain circumstances, it may be appropriate to amend an interim control by-law in order to allow a landowner to obtain a building permit so that they may proceed to initiate repairs to their building, or to facilitate a certain use on a property that is currently permitted by the zoning by-law, and where such use will not compromise the results of the final study.

Under these circumstances, it is reasonable to consider an amendment to an Interim Control By-law, which will require Planning Staff to prepare a report to the Committee of the Whole as to whether a property should be exempted from the provisions of the Interim Control By-law. On this basis, it will be necessary to add a new application fee category to amend an Interim Control By-law, and to apply a corresponding new fee of \$3,790.00, which is consistent with the application fee to remove a Holding "H" provision on a property, and to exempt properties from the provisions of Part Lot Control.

This will allow the Planning Department to collect fees to cover its costs when processing these applications. Prospective applicants will be encouraged to consult with Planning Staff as to the appropriateness of pursuing the amendment, prior to submitting an application.

### **Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007**

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2007, particularly 'B-1', "Ensure Short-Term and Long-Term Financial Stability for the City".

### **Conclusion**

The Development Planning Department is proposing to introduce an Interim Control By-law Amendment Application Fee, which will require an amendment to its current Planning Application Fees By-law 148-2005. Should the Committee concur, the implementing Planning Application Fees By-law can be forwarded to the Council meeting on March 20, 2006, for enactment, which will replace the current Planning Application Fees By-law 148-2005.

### **Attachments**

N/A

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