#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE APRIL 08,2002

### REQUEST FOR FENCE HEIGHT EXEMPTION 74 HAMMERSTONE CRESCENT

#### **Recommendation**

The City Clerk requests direction on this matter.

#### Purpose

To grant a fence height exemption pursuant to Section 3.5 of By-Law 80-90.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

The owner of the above noted property has requested an exemption to the existing fence height restrictions pursuant to Section 3.5 of By-Law 80-90 to permit the maintenance of an existing front yard fence. The by-law permits a fence height of four feet (4') feet in the front yard.

The fence consists of five sections running from the front corner of the house to the front property line. Each section has been measured by the by-law enforcement officer.

The average height of the fence boards for each section is as follows:

| Section –1-49 ½ inches                  |                                    |
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| 2-48 ¾ inches                           |                                    |
| 3-50 inches                             |                                    |
| 4-50 1/4 inches                         |                                    |
| 5-50 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> inches | Average board height - 49 ¾ inches |

There are five supporting posts the height of which are as follows:

Post 1- 54 ½ inches 2- 54 ¾ inches 3- 56 ¾ inches 4- 59 ½ inches 5- 58 inches

The average height of the posts is 56 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches which exceeds the maximum height permitted by approximately 8 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches.

#### **Conclusion**

Council direction is required as to whether a fence height exemption should be granted.

## **Attachments**

1. Three photographs of the subject fence.

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Respectfully submitted,

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