COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JUNE 14, 2011

FENCE HEIGHT EXEMPTION - 312 GRAND VELLORE CRESCENT - WARD 3

Recommendation

The Director of Enforcement Services recommends the following:

That the fence height exemption application for 312 Grand Vellore Crescent be approved.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

Notification/Request for Comment letters were sent to surrounding neighbours within a 60 metre radius, no objections were received.

Purpose

This report is to provide information for the consideration of a fence height exemption application.

Background - Analysis and Options

The property owner of 312 Grand Vellore Crescent has applied for a fence height exemption as provided for in the City of Vaughan Fence By-law 80-90.

The By-law permits a fence height of 4 feet in front yards. The Applicant has requested an exemption for an existing front yard fence ranging in height from 2 feet seven inches to 5 feet nine inches.

The fence consists of four pillars and three wall sections, all located on the west side of the driveway and there is a free standing pillar on the east side of the driveway.

The pillars on the west side of the driveway range in height from 5 feet 2 inches to 5 feet 9 inches. The sections of wall range in height from 2 feet 7 inches to 4 feet 5 inches. The pillar on the east side of the driveway measures 5 feet 7 inches.

Enforcement Services staff inspected the Applicant's property and also reviewed other properties within the 60 metre radius. There are no other fences of similar height and design in the immediate area.

This fence height violation was brought to the attention of the Enforcement Services Department as a result of a complaint. However, the complainant did not provide/submit a letter of objection to this exemption request.

There are no site plan requirements for front yard fencing for this location.

The fence height would not appear to pose a sight line issue.

The details outlined above support the approval of a fence height exemption for this location.

This application is outside of the parameters of the delegated authority passed by Council.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This report is in keeping with the Vaughan Vision as it speaks to Service Delivery and Community Safety.

Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

Fence Height Exemption requests brought before Council should be granted or denied based on the potential impact to neighbour relations, comparables in the specific area, site plan requirements, history, and safety impacts. This case supports a fence height exemption for this location at its current height.

Attachments

- 1. Map of area
- Site Plan
- 3. Photographs

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Google maps

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