

## UNIONVILLE MONTESSORI PRIVATE SCHOOL

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We thank for your support with respect to our development applications to erect a temporary portable on the property at 9286 Kennedy Road (the "Subject Property") file number: ZA 14 125142.

As requested by Councillor Heath at the June 2, 2015 statutory public meeting, the purpose of this letter is to serve as Unionville Montessori School's ("UMS") commitment to continue to work co-operatively with City staff regarding the existing heritage dwelling on the Subject Property.

Subsequent to the submission of our development applications, we have met with city and heritage staff on several occasions (March 11, March 20 and April 14, 2015) to discuss the heritage dwelling. Heritage staff persons, Mr. Regan Hucheson and Mr. Peter Wokral have visited the site to inspect the existing structure. We have also met with our local ward Councillor, Amanda Collucci, and continue to have ongoing dialog with her and others. As a result of these meetings, we have provided a Building Assessment Report and an Environment Phase 1 Report.

Following the assessment of these submitted reports, Mr. Regan, Mr. Workal and the city engineering staff requested further investigation of the building and the property site. However, the Heritage staff agreed that since the portable was over 5 metres away from heritage building the installation of the portable would be allowed, independent of the heritage home's future status. (Reference: letter of March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 attached).

As requested, we have conducted the following additional assessments and will submit same in the near future:

- 1) Environment Phase 2,
- 2) Detail Building Assessment that includes a structural review and laboratory testing for the potential presence of mould, lead and asbestos
- 3) Geotechnical investigation of the entire property site.

As you are aware, Unionville Montessori School's long term vision for this Subject Property is to include it in future school development plans if feasible. This future plan will address an additional school building to be located on the vacant portion of our landholdings. We remain committed to examining opportunities to incorporate the existing heritage dwelling into our development plans.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to working with City staff on this matter.

Yours truly,

Mrs. R. Remtulla, Director of Education

c.c. Gary Sellars, Regan Hutcheson, Peter Wokral, Michael Larbi



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March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

Re. ZA 14 125142

Good Morning Mr. Hutcheson,

Thank you for taking the time to meet with us on Friday March  $20^{th}$ , 2015 to discuss the heritage building on our property .

As discussed we would like to confirm the following:

- Fisher Environment Inc. will be directed to conduct further investigation and provide an in-depth report on the condition of the heritage property, with regards to the structure and other conditions, as requested.
- Concurrently, Phase II of the Environmental Site Assessment will be conducted and a report will be provided.
- Our application for a temporary portable can proceed independently of this
  procedure as long as adequate precaution is taken to ensure that the heritage
  building is not affected by the installation of the portable. We would greatly
  appreciate it if this can be communicated to Gary Sellers, who is overseeing our
  temporary application for a portable in the planning department.
- You do not have any objections for us to take down the chimney of the heritage house, as it has shifted and can be dangerous.

Once again thank you for the meeting and we look forward to working with you on this matter.

Regards,

R. Remtulla

**Director of Education** 

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cc. Gary Sellers - Planning Dept.

cc. Terry Fong - Architect