# **Draft Front Setback Text Amendment to Zoning Bylaw 12800**

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<u>Underline Italic Font</u> = proposed addition to Zoning Bylaw

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# Option 1 - Front Setback approach presented at December 7, 2015, Executive Committee:

## Section 814 - Mature Neighbourhood Overlay

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# Option 2 - Alternative Front Setback approach:

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  - a. Lots where the Front Setback of the Abutting Lot and the general context of the blockface is less than 9.0m, the Front Setback shall be a maximum of 6.0 metres;
  - b. Lots where the Front Setback of the Abutting Lot and the general context of the blockface is 9.0m or greater, the Front Setback shall be consistent within 3.0 metres of the Front Setback on the Abutting Lot and with the general context of the blockface.

Separation Space and Privacy Zone shall be reduced to accommodate the Front Setback requirement where a Principal Living Room Window faces directly onto a local public roadway, other than a Lane.

#### Rationale

#### Option 1:

- A maximum 6.0 metre Front Setback threshold realigns the size of the allowable building pocket with current Site Coverage requirements, but may have an unintended consequence of creating block face misalignment in situations where the front setback of neighbouring properties is in the range of 10 – 12 metres.

## Option 2:

- Alternative Front Setback approach aims to maintaining a functional and buildable area, while responding to situations where the Front Setback of neighbouring properties is in the range of 10 – 12 metres.