

Sharon Crescent may lose 'eyesore'

Residents on Sharon Crescent may finally get rid of an "eyesore" on their street.

Four homeowners appeared at a committee of adjustment hearing last week to complain about the condition of a home at 2514 Sharon Cres.

The committee was to hear an application to allow the existing dwelling to remain on the lot although it doesn't conform to the city zoning bylaw.

The committee was told that since June 1978, when the previous owner moved out, the house has not been occupied.

The house "is an eyesore" committee chairman Rick Mortensen said. Part of the roof has collapsed and workmen hired by the new owners, Josip and Mary Skupnik,

are dismantling what remains.

The committee refused the application in the absence of the owners.

After the meeting was over, lawyer Michael Weir who represents the owners, arrived.

The application re-

jected by the committee was filed incorrectly and did not explain what the new owners plan, Weir said. He has filed new building plans with the committee which call for the house to be torn down to the foundation, with a new structure being erected.

Pedestrian island OK'd for Erindale

Erindale Village residents will get their own pedestrian island in the centre lane of Dundas Street at Robinson Street.

Last week the city's general committee approved the move, which is intended to prevent motorists from making left turns from Dun-

das Street onto Robinson at all times. Flashing "keep right" signs will be located at both ends of the island.

Advance warning signs will be placed on Dundas Street east of Proudfoot Street indicating that left turns are prohibited for westbound traffic at Robinson.



The child in this case had heard the test sound and seen the toy

Infant hearing study gets new approach

By ALANA PERKINS
Times staff writer

Psychologists at Erindale College are close to completing research they say could revolutionize the detection of hearing disabilities in infants.

Over the past two years, Sandra Trehub and Bruce Schneider of Erindale's infant studies department have tested

thousands of Mississauga babies aged six months to two years.

They've tested them with a method unique in the field.

Devising a technique where a child's attention could be held so the experiment could be certain of a positive response was the difficult part.

The Erindale method involves placing the infant on its mother's lap, facing away from her in

the centre of a sound chamber. Speakers are on each side of the infant.

Mounted on top of each speaker is a mechanical toy concealed in a smoked-glass case.

A sound is sent through one of the speakers. When the child turns in that direction the technician lights the box and the toys moves for four seconds.

This ensures that the child has heard the proper sound. Tests are

made at various frequencies.

The more common technique is to give the child a sound and look for a response. But Trehub says the child could be responding to something other than the test sound.

Another method is to put the child under sedation and measure brain waves as certain sounds are made. But Trehub says this has proven ineffective.

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