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Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker, Chair
Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Councillor De Baeremaeker,

I am writing today to ask that the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee request city staff to appropriate action to provide water service to 9 R Baldwin Street.

This situation at 9 R Baldwin is unique and represents a legal non-conforming special circumstance that exists in 19th century neighbourhoods.

To briefly summarize the background:

- In 1951, Toronto Water installed service to 9 R Baldwin through an unsecured right-of-way across 9 Baldwin to the rear building.
- In 1968, the Committee of Adjustment approved a severance of the property at 9 Baldwin Street, which in effect created 9 R Baldwin.
- Up until this point, services, including water, have been provided to 9 R through pipes that run across 9 Baldwin. A right-of-way or easement for this encumbrance was never secured by the property owners or required by the City.

In 2005, the Committee of Adjustment granted minor variances to the owners of 9 Baldwin to built an addition on their property which requires the removal of the services to 9 R Baldwin.

All of these services, such as gas and hydro, have been rerouted through the lane access with the exception of Toronto water.

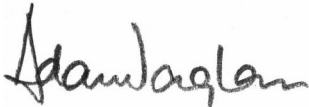
First Canadian Title Insurance has agreed to pay all costs incurred by Toronto Water in relocating the water service to 9 R Baldwin to the rear lane, and that the property owners has submitted engineering plans that demonstrate that the relocation of the water service to the lane is possible and that Toronto Water staff have agreed with the engineer's submission.

As such, I would appreciate if the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee could consider the following request:

1. Staff be instructed to draw up plans and then execute and undertake construction of full water service to the property identified as 9R Baldwin Street in Ward 20, and that this service be provided through the laneway that runs west off McCaul Street that adjoins the property. The Cost for this undertaking will be borne by First Canadian Title Insurance on behalf of the property owner.

Your consideration is appreciated.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Vaughan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Adam Vaughan, City Councillor
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