

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Prohibition of large vehicles – Filmic Lane

Date:	March 31, 2010	
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District	
Wards:	Toronto-Danforth, Ward 30	
Reference Number:	Ts10046.te.top.doc	

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is seeking authority to prohibit vehicles over 2.0 metres in width from travelling in a section of Filmic Lane to help reduce damage to private property.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. prohibit vehicles over 2.0 metres in width from travelling in Filmic Lane between Badgerow Avenue and a point 48 metres south of Badgerow Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Toronto Transportation Services 2010 Operating Budget	\$400.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Paula Fletcher, Transportation Services investigated a complaint about large vehicles travelling in Filmic Lane and damaging abutting private property.

COMMENTS

Filmic Lane is a public laneway that operates two-way between Dundas Street East and Badgerow Avenue, east of Boston Avenue and west of Pape Avenue, with a variable pavement width of 3 to 6 metres. The section of Filmic Lane between Badgerow Avenue and a point 48 metres south is approximately 3 metres in width and serves primarily as an access route to parking facilities at the rear of residences fronting onto Pape Avenue and Boston Avenue. Residential townhomes front on to the wider southerly section of Filmic Lane. These homes have garages at the rear with access via a private right-of-way.

A resident who's property abuts the lane has advised that drivers of large delivery trucks servicing the town homes at the southern end of Filmic lane sometimes choose to continue north through the narrow 3 metre wide section of the laneway to Badgerow Avenue, causing damage to private property.

Considering the narrow width of Filmic Lane at its northerly end, large trucks may not be able to safely negotiate the turn from the lane onto Badgerow Avenue without scraping against adjacent building/retaining walls. Prohibiting vehicles over 2 metres in width from travelling in the narrower 3 metre wide section of the lane should reduce the incidence of damage to private property.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421F-9976, dated March 2010

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