



REFERRAL OF MEMBER MOTION BY CITY COUNCIL

Sale of Decommissioned Street Name Signs

Date:	April 16, 2012
To:	Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
From:	City Council
Wards:	All Wards

City Council Decision

City Council on April 10 and 11, 2012, referred Motion MM22.3 to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.

Recommendations

Councillor Adam Vaughan, seconded by Councillor Shelley Carroll, recommends that:

1. City Council approve the sale of decommissioned street name signs, not including decommissioned oversized street name signs for a cost of \$20.00 per sign.
2. City Council approve that decommissioned street name signs will be made available for purchase on a first-come first-served basis.
3. City Council approve that decommissioned street name signs will be placed on hold for fifteen (15) business days after a request to purchase has been received after which the signs will be returned to the inventory.
4. City Council approve the disposal of decommissioned street name signs in an environmentally sensitive manner after being stored for one year.
5. City Council approve that the purchaser must sign a waiver that they will not display the decommissioned street name sign adjacent to any City of Toronto streets.
6. City Council approve the development and implementation of a system where the public can order the decommissioned street name signs either by telephone or via the City of Toronto Website.

7. City Council approve that any funds collected from the sale of decommissioned street name signs be deposited into the Transportation Services Division, Sundry Revenue Account of their Operating Budget.

Summary

Numerous requests from the public have been made to the City of Toronto to purchase decommissioned street name signs. Cities, such as the City of Ottawa, currently have a system whereby they retain and catalogue their decommissioned street name signs. Street name signs are then made available to the public.

A similar system can be established for the City of Toronto where signs that are removed from the field can be made available for purchase by the public. Only signs that do not present a danger by not having sharp edges or extreme rust would be retained for a reasonable time. To cover the cost of labour to manage the system and funds that would have been received if the decommissioned street name signs were recycled for scrap metal, we recommend that the purchase price per sign be \$20.00.

(Submitted to City Council on April 10 and 11, 2012 as MM22.3)