May 13, 2013

To: Chair and Members of Etobicoke York Community Council

Re: 1 Veerland Drive
     Flower Garden along the Maple Leaf Drive Frontage

SUMMARY:

The Public Realm section is considering the subject site for approval of a controlled and modified garden that is maintained and planted by the property owner in the sloped boulevard area along the Maple Leaf Drive frontage of 1 Veerland Drive.

In light of the intent of a motion previously adopted by Etobicoke York Community Council on April 9, 2013, and in an effort to encourage neighbourhood cooperation and acceptance of a compromise solution, I am recommending the following amended motion to clarify the implementation process.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Re-open Item EY23.45, headed "Flower Garden - 1 Veerland Drive (along the Maple Leaf Drive frontage)”, adopted, as amended, by Etobicoke York Community Council on April 9, 2013.

2. Direct the Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District, and the Director, Public Realm Section, Transportation Services, to remove the existing garden from the Maple Leaf Drive frontage of 1 Veerland Drive, reduce the slope of the Maple Leaf Drive boulevard abutting 1 Veerland Drive and restore the municipal boulevard with sod; such direction to be deferred until June 30, 2013, to provide an opportunity for the resident at 1 Veerland Drive to submit a proposal in writing and accompanied by a landscaping plan prepared by a certified landscape architect, that is acceptable to Public Realm and consistent with the alternative option presented by the Public Realm Section at a community public meeting, and in the interim, the property owner shall not do any work or excavation within the Maple Leaf Drive boulevard abutting the subject property.

Thank you,

Councillor Frank Di Giorgio
York South – Weston, Ward #12
Attachment: Item EY23.45 (April 9, 2013)