



*City Councillor – Ward 17 • Davenport*

October 18, 2013

TO: Chair and Members of Etobicoke York Community Council

**RE: CONVERSION OF PRIVATE LANEWAY AT REAR OF OSLER/MILLER TO A PUBLIC LANEWAY**

Residents of 146 to 166 Osler Street and 9 to 37 Miller Street, south of Lindner Street, submitted a petition to my office requesting the conversion of the private laneway at the rear of their homes into a public laneway. The property owners are willing to convey their interest to the City, similar to what was done in other parts of Ward 17.

The northern part of the laneway, north of Lindner Street, between Osler Street and Miller Street, was converted from a private laneway into a public laneway a few years ago. The first laneway south of St. Clair Avenue West, west of Spring Grove Avenue, which is narrower, was recently converted into a public laneway and upgraded.

The costs of assembling the public laneway can be recovered through the benefitting assessment of properties adjacent to the laneway.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That Etobicoke York Community Council requests the Manager of Traffic Planning/Right-of-Way Management to commence the process of converting the private laneway at the rear of 146 to 166 Osler Street and 9 to 37 Miller Street, south of Lindner Street, into a public laneway and report back to the Etobicoke York Community Council no later than March, 2014 on the process to be adopted, as it has been done in other parts of the ward.
2. That the local City Councillor be requested to facilitate a public meeting with City staff from appropriate divisions, to explain and expedite the acquisition process.

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