



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Naming of Public Lane north of Withrow Avenue
between Carlaw Avenue and Pape Avenue**

Date:	November 22, 2012
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	City Surveyor
Wards:	Ward 30
Reference Number:	P:\2013\Cluster B\TEC\TE13004

SUMMARY

On September 11, 2012, Toronto and East York Community Council adopted Item TE18.102 requesting the City Surveyor to prepare a report to name the public lane located north of Withrow Avenue between Carlaw Avenue and Pape Avenue as "Vaso's Lane".

This report recommends that the proposed name "Vaso's Lane" not be approved as the name does not comply with the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy.

Community Councils have delegated authority to decide street naming matters which comply with the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Surveyor recommends that:

- (1) Toronto and East York Community Council not approve the name, "Vaso's Lane" to identify the public lane located north of Withrow Avenue between Carlaw Avenue and Pape Avenue.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At its meeting of September 11, 2012, the Toronto and East York Community Council adopted item TE18.102 which contained the following recommendation:

1. Requested the City Surveyor to prepare a report for Toronto and East York Community Council to name the east-west laneway north of Withrow Avenue with access points at 242 Withrow Avenue and 270 Withrow Avenue as "Vaso's Lane" in honour of Vaso Bogojevic.

This request originated with a letter from Councillor Paula Fletcher, Ward 30 Toronto-Danforth.

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/te/bgrd/backgroundfile-49879.pdf>)

The subject lane is shown as Part 1 on Attachment No. 1 - Sketch No. PS-2012-107_2.

COMMENTS

The proposed name "Vaso's Lane" was circulated for comment to the Toronto and East York Preservation Panel, Councillor Fletcher, Police Services, Fire Services and Emergency Medical Services.

The Toronto and East York Preservation Panel and Councillor Fletcher support the proposed name "Vaso's Lane".

Police Services, Fire Services and Emergency Medical Services objected to the proposed name as it sounds similar to "Vasto Lane" in Scarborough.

The proposed name "Vaso's Lane" does not comply with Section 6.3.1.2 of the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy which states:

"Similar sounding names such as Beach Avenue and Peach Avenue, or Apple Hill Road and Apple Road should be avoided."

Due to non-compliance with the Policy it is recommended that the name "Vaso's Lane" not be approved.

The City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy can be found at:

http://www.toronto.ca/mapping/street_naming/index.htm

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ATTACHMENT

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	<p>NOT TO SCALE</p>	<p>WARD 30 – TORONTO-DANFORTH DATE: OCTOBER 25, 2012</p>	<p>SKETCH No. PS-2012-107</p>
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