STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED

Authority for a Heritage Easement Agreement – 1 Austin Terrace

Date: October 22, 2013
To: Toronto Preservation Board
    Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Director, Urban Design, City Planning Division
Wards: Ward 22 (St. Paul’s)
Reference Number: P:\2013\Cluster B\PLN\HPS\TEYCC\November 19 2013\teHPS34

SUMMARY

This report recommends that City Council grant authority for a Heritage Easement Agreement between the City of Toronto and the lessee of the property at 1 Austin Terrace. The site contains Casa Loma, which is owned by the City of Toronto and operated as a tourist attraction. The Heritage Easement Agreement will cover the exterior and interior of the building as well as the grounds.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Planning Division recommends that:

1. City Council grant authority for the execution of a Heritage Easement Agreement under Section 37 of the Ontario Heritage Act with the lessee of the property at 1 Austin Terrace.

2. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to introduce the necessary bill in Council authorizing the entering into of a Heritage Easement Agreement.

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

DECISION HISTORY
The property at 1 Austin Terrace (Casa Loma) was listed on the inaugural City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties in June 1973 and designated under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act in August 1987 by By-law 545-87. At its meeting
of February 20, 2013, City Council adopted TE21.25, stating its intention to amend By-law 545-87 of the former City of Toronto under Section 30.1 of the Ontario Heritage Act to revise the Reasons for Designation to explain the cultural heritage value or interest of the property at 1 Austin Terrace (Casa Loma) and describe its heritage values.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**
The property at 1 Austin Terrace is owned by the City of Toronto and Casa Loma is operated as a tourist attraction. The City is entering into a Heritage Easement Agreement with the lessee of the site, and the agreement will cover the exterior and interior values and attributes of the building as well as the surrounding grounds.

**COMMENTS**
A location map and photograph is attached (Attachment No. 1).

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**SIGNATURE**

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**ATTACHMENTS**
Attachment No. 1 – Location Map and Photograph, 1 Austin Terrace
This location map is for information purposes only; the exact boundaries of the property at not shown. The **arrow** marks the location of the site.