STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Permanent Closure of Portions of the Public Lane Extending Easterly From Ledbury Street between Cranbrooke Avenue and Woburn Avenue

Date: January 27, 2014
To: North York Community Council
From: Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards: Ward 16 - Eglinton-Lawrence
Reference Number: P:/ClusterB/TRA/NorthYorkDistrict/ny14014

SUMMARY

Transportation Services recommends that the subject portions of the public lane extending easterly from Ledbury Street between Cranbrooke Avenue and Woburn Avenue be permanently closed. This public highway is surplus to municipal requirements.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council permanently close the portions of the public lane extending easterly from Ledbury Street between Cranbrooke Avenue and Woburn Avenue, shown as Parts 2 to 6 and 8 to 14 on Sketch No. PS-2010-117 (the "Lane") attached to this report as Attachment 1.

2. City Council enacts a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached to this report as Attachment 2.

Financial Impact

The various portions of the Lane have been offered for sale to the adjacent land owners. The closing of the Lane will not result in any costs to the City as these purchasers will be responsible to pay all costs associated with the closing of the Lane.
The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer have reviewed this report and agree with the financial impact information.

**DECISION HISTORY**

In accordance with the City’s Real Estate Disposal By-law No. 814-2007, the Lane was declared surplus on March 21, 2011, as authorized by the Chief Corporate Officer in DAF No. 2011-044, conditional upon the Lane being permanently closed, with the intended manner of disposal to be by inviting offers to purchase the Lane from the adjoining owners adjacent to 459, 465, 467, 469 and 471 Cranbrooke Avenue, 522, 524, 530, 532, 534, 536 and 538 Woburn Avenue.

The Chief Corporate Officer authorized the General Manager of Transportation Services to give notice to the public of a proposed by-law to close the Lane in accordance with the requirements of the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162 and the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule A+ activities.

On November 22, 2013, the Director of Real Estate Services authorized the sale of a portion of the Lane to the adjoining owners of 459, 465, 467 Cranbrooke Avenue and 522, 524, 530 and 532 Woburn Avenue, conditional upon City Council approving the permanent closure of the Lane.

In addition, on January 16, 2014, the Director of Real Estate Services authorized the sale of portions of the Lane to the adjoining owners of 469 and 471 Cranbrooke Avenue and 534, 536 and 538 Woburn Avenue, conditional upon City Council approving the permanent closure of the Lane.

The table below lists the adjacent owner's addresses, the respective Delegated Approvals and the corresponding parts on Sketch No. PS-2010-117.

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ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services received a request from the Owners to investigate the feasibility of closing the Lane in order to extend their properties, build fences and improve the safety of their properties.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services Staff has reviewed the possible Lane closing. The Lane is surplus to municipal requirements.

Bell Canada advises that there are existing poles and aerial cable on the north half of the Lane for which it will require an easement to be granted on closing of the sale transactions.

CLOSING PROCESS

City Council authority is required to stop up and close all open road allowances. A draft by-law is attached which recommends the closure of the Lane. It will be considered concurrently with this report at North York Community Council so that the public has the opportunity to speak to the matter.

Public notice of the proposed by-law to close the Lane will be posted to the notices page of the City's web site in accordance with Chapter 162 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code in accordance with the notice requirements for Municipal Environment Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Sketch No. PS-2010-117
Closure Lane between Woburn Avenue and Cranbrooke Avenue
Attachment 2: Draft By-law