Permanent Closure of the Remnant Portion of Public Lane at the Rear of Premises Nos. 34 to 38 Gladstone Avenue

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**SUMMARY**

Transportation Services recommends that the remnant portion of the public lane abutting the rear of Premises Nos. 34 to 38 Gladstone Avenue, be permanently closed.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Transportation Services Recommends that:

1. City Council permanently close the remnant portion of public lane at the rear of 34 to 38 Gladstone Avenue, designated as Part 3 on Reference Plan 66R-26895 and shown as Part 1 on Sketch No. PS-20013-045 (the "Lane"), attached to the report dated February 12, 2014, from the Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District.

2. City Council enact a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached as Appendix "A" to the report, dated February 12, 2014, from the Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District.

**Financial Impact**

The closing of the Lane will not result in any costs to the City as the purchaser of the Lane is responsible to pay all costs associated with the closing of the Lane.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

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DECISION HISTORY
In accordance with the City’s Real Estate Disposal By-law No. 814-2007, the Lane was declared surplus on August 30, 2013 by DAF No. 2013-194, conditional upon the Lane being permanently closed, with the intended manner of disposal to be by inviting an offer to purchase the Lane from the owner of the abutting lands, 11 Peel Avenue Inc., (the "Applicant").

By DAF No. 2013-195, dated September 24, 2013, the Chief Corporate Officer authorized the General Manager, Transportation Services, to give notice to the public of a proposed by-law to close the Lane in accordance with the requirements of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162 and the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities. By DAF No. 2014-064, dated February 6, 2014, the Director, Real Estate Services authorized the sale of the Lane, conditional upon City Council approving the permanent closure of the Lane.

ISSUE BACKGROUND
Transportation Services staff received a request from the Applicant to investigate the feasibility of closing the Lane in order to incorporate the Lane into the development site.

COMMENTS
Transportation Services has reviewed the feasibility of closing the Lane and has determined that the Lane can be permanently closed and sold.

Closing Process
The closing process requires approval from City Council. The draft by-law is an Appendix to the report that recommends the closure of the Lane and is tabled at the same Toronto and East York Community Council meeting that the public has the opportunity to speak to the matter if they wish to do so.

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ATTACHMENTS
Appendix "A" - Draft By-law

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