

Renaming of a portion of Thorncliffe Park Drive west of Beth Nealson Drive

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To: North York Community Council

From: Director, Engineering Support Services, Engineering and Construction Services

Wards: Ward 26 Don Valley West

SUMMARY

This report recommends approval of the re-naming of a portion of Thorncliffe Park Drive west of Beth Nealson Drive, to "Pat Moore Drive"

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

Engineering and Construction Services recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Approve the name "Pat Moore Drive" for the renaming of a portion of Thorncliffe Park Drive west of Beth Nealson Drive.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The cost to install 2 street name signs is approximately \$500 and is included within the Transportation Services Division Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This is the first time that this issue is before Community Council.

COMMENTS

A request was received from Councillor Burnside's office to rename the east-west portion of Thorncliffe Park Drive located west of Beth Neilson Drive, in order to avoid confusion with the section of Thorncliffe Park Drive that runs north-south from Overlea Boulevard. The Councillor proposed that the new name be "Pat Moore Drive" in honor of a long time Thorncliffe resident who is well recognized in the community for her commitment and advocacy to the Thorncliffe neighbourhood.

The councillor's office has provided the following rationale:

Pat Moore

"Pat has lived in Flemingdon and Thorncliffe Park for over 40 years. Although she has worked for CIBC since 1973, she has had another full time job – working for the community.

Pat has always been ahead of the curve: advocating for the underdog on issues most of us didn't even know existed at the time.

In the 1970's – a time when people of colour were routinely denied access to rental accommodation for no reason – Pat helped individual tenants stand up to unjust landlords. With a scoreboard of success, she went on to form various tenants' associations in the neighbourhood.

In the 1980's, long before mainstream politicians were talking about affordable housing, Pat convinced the government of the day to build Co-op housing in the community. And, as if that wasn't enough, Pat was also working hard to raise awareness and stop violence against women.

Although a household name in the community, those outside of the area have probably never heard of Pat because everything she does is without fanfare. Her only agenda is to get results that improve the lives of others.

Pat garners respect from politicians of all political stripes and they seek Pat for her support and insight. The first question Pat will ask is "What are you going to do for the Youth?" You better have an answer. Through her persistence, passion and no-nonsense manner, Pat has ensured that as the youth population has dramatically increased in Thorncliffe so too have community programs.

Although politicians come and go, Pat has never left, never stopped fighting and never accepts defeat as an option. Amongst her many other volunteer endeavours, Pat currently serves on the board of the Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office where she is able to advocate for young and old alike. Pat has worked tirelessly to ensure that those without a voice have one and in 2009 Pat was the recipient of the Agnes Mcphail award."

Pat Moore has given her consent.

The proposed name has been circulated for comment and is acceptable to Toronto Police Service, Toronto Fire Services, and Toronto Paramedic Services.

Councillor Burnside supports this renaming proposal.

Community support in the form of a petition from owners whose properties abut this section of Thorncliffe Park Drive, was provided by the applicant.

The street is shown as PART 1 on Attachment No.1 Sketch No. PS-2018-036.

This naming proposal complies with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.
[Street Naming Policy](#)

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2018-036

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2018-036, showing the location of a portion of Thorncliffe Park Drive west of Beth Neilson Drive.



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SKETCH SHOWING A PORTION OF
THORNCLIFFE PARK DRIVE, WEST OF
BETH NEALSON DRIVE

SKETCH No. PS-2018-036