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REPORT FOR ACTION

Vehicle Width Restriction - Vaso's Lane

Date: August 23, 2021
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 14, Toronto - Danforth

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is seeking authority to prohibit vehicles greater than 2.2 metres in width from travelling on Vaso's Lane. Prohibiting vehicles which have a width of 2.2 metres or more from travelling on the subject lane would be beneficial in reducing the incidence of damage to the adjacent private property.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit vehicles over 2.2 metres in width from travelling on Vaso's Lane, between Withrow Avenue (west intersection) and Withrow Avenue (east intersection).

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$500.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2021 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services investigated concerns from property owners, adjacent to Vaso's Lane, regarding large vehicles using the public lane and causing damage to their properties when large vehicles are required to reverse in the lane when width of the lane becomes too narrow to pass through.

Vaso's Lane runs east-west and north-south with access from Withrow Avenue located between Pape Avenue and Carlaw Avenue. Vaso's Lane operates two-way traffic and has a width of about 3.1 metres at its narrowest cross-section.

Given the relatively narrow width of the lane and the potential for damage to abutting properties from large vehicles, Transportation Services is recommending a 2.2 metre maximum vehicle width restriction be implemented for the subject lane.

The vehicle width restriction will help reduce potential incidences of damage to private properties.

A map of the area and proposed parking amendments is included in Attachment 1.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Proposed Vehicle Width Restriction - Vaso's Lane



