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REPORT FOR ACTION

Naming of a Proposed Private Lane for a Development at 165 Tapscott Road

Date: April 29, 2022
To: Scarborough Community Council
From: Director, Engineering Support Services, Engineering and Construction Services
Wards: 23 Scarborough North

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the name "Priya Lane" be approved to identify a proposed private lane located at 165 Tapscott Road.

This naming proposal complies with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy which can be found at https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/planning-development/street-naming/

RECOMMENDATIONS

Engineering and Construction Services recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

- 1. Approve the name "Priya Lane" to identify a proposed private lane located at 165 Tapscott Road.
- 2. Request the applicant to pay the costs, estimated to be \$500.00, for the fabrication and installation of the street name signage; and
- 3. Request the owner and successors of the subject lands to maintain, at their own risk, the street name signage installed under Recommendations 1 of the report.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications to the City resulting from the adoption of this report. The estimated cost of \$500.00 for the street name signage is to be paid by the applicant.

DECISION HISTORY

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

COMMENTS

A request was received on July 12, 2021, from a developer to name the proposed private lane in connection with their development at 165 Tapscott Road in order to facilitate municipal addressing at the site.

The following background and rationale provided by the applicant: **"Priya Lane"**

"The name "Priya" is of Asian origin meaning "beloved". It is a common given name in some Asian cultures. The condominium development is situated in the Malvern Community which based on the City of Toronto's neighbourhood profile, has a large Asian population. In addition, many of our purchasers are of Asian heritage. It is our opinion that the proposed street name preserves and strengthens the Malvern community and honours the ethnocultural diversity of the City of Toronto".

City Council has previously directed that no new applications to name or rename streets or other civic properties received after October 1, 2020, be considered while a review of the City's commemorative policies and programs is underway. An exception was made that allows proceeding with naming's of a small number streets, such as in development sites that require new street names ahead of the next report to Council in Q2 of 2022 so as to avoid any delays in the development approvals process. This application falls under that exception and as such it is exempt from the moratorium.

The proposed name has been circulated for comment and is acceptable to Toronto Police Service, Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Paramedic Services. Councillor Cynthia Lai, Ward 23 – Scarborough North, supports this naming.

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

The lane is shown as PART 1 on Attachment No.1 Sketch No. PS-2022-021.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2022-021

Showing the location of a proposed private lane located east of Tapscott Road and south from McLevin Avenue.

