

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – JANUARY 21, 2008**

### **STREET NAMING POLICY - INCLUSION OF PUBLIC LANEWAYS**

#### **Recommendation**

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends:

1. That the Planning Department, in conjunction with the Fire Department and Development/Transportation Engineering Department, be requested to review the Street Naming Policy with respect to the potential inclusion of public laneways and to report to a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### **Economic Impact**

N/A

#### **Communications Plan**

N/A

#### **Purpose**

The current Street Naming Policy does not address the issue of identifying public laneways.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

The public laneway can be the location of an emergency situation requiring a response from Fire, Police and/or EMS. The response times are critical in mitigating damage to property and securing safety for human life. The naming of such a laneway and identification may assist in achieving appropriate response time.

#### **Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020**

Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

#### **Regional Implications**

N/A

#### **Conclusion**

My office has been advised that on a number of occasions where emergency vehicles were dispatched and due to the fact that there are currently no naming of laneways, unexpected delay took place.

In light of ongoing safety concerns, it would be appropriate to have staff review the Street Naming Policy with respect to the with respect to the potential inclusion of public laneways.

**Attachments**

N/A

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Respectfully submitted,

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