

MEMORANDUM

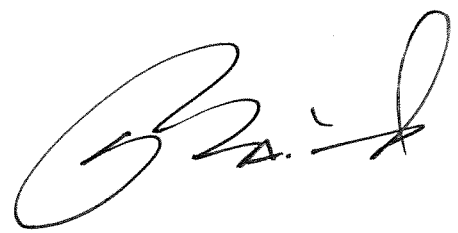
TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Jim Baird, Commissioner, Development Services

PREPARED BY: Robert Tadmire, Coordinator of Geomatics/GIS Advocate

DATE: June 18, 2013

RE: Request by Cornell Rouge Development Corporation for a street name change from Arboretum Drive to William Forster Road.



RECOMMENDATION:

That the request by Cornell Rouge Development Corporation to rename Arboretum Drive to William Forster Road be approved.

And that Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

BACKGROUND:

The Council approved street name Arboretum Drive was applied to a short section of road registered on plan 65M-4093 in 2008 (see Figure 1). This road, which is located in the Cornell Community was meant to extend south to Highway 7 and east to Donald Cousens Parkway. The future southern extension of this road, leading to Highway 7, will replace the existing section of Cornell Centre Boulevard shown on Figure 1 once a revised alignment of Cornell Centre Boulevard to the west is completed.

The name of the road was chosen by Cornell Rouge Development Corporation to reflect the fact that an arboretum was being considered near its intersection with Cornell Rouge Boulevard. Once plans for installing the arboretum were abandoned by the City in favour of another park design, the name no longer had any meaning. Cornell Rouge Development Corporation then decided to name the road William Forster Road after the heritage house that fronts onto it. Plans 65M-4354 and 65M-4364 registered in 2012 used the name William Forster Road, which runs from Cornell Rouge Boulevard to Donald Cousens Parkway (see Figure 1).

In order to continue William Forster Road south to Highway 7, the small section of road named Arboretum Drive, which currently contains no municipal addresses, should be renamed to William Forster Road. A representative from Cornell Rouge Development Corporation has requested that the City address this matter and Staff concur with the rationale for this request. Accordingly, Staff is seeking Committee's authorization to proceed with the requested street name change.

