For Kingsville Town Council consideration

With regard to the Administration's letter date July 2, 2019 Report No.: PS 2019-031 regarding the Name Change Impact – Meghan Agosta Dr. to York Blvd. and after careful reading, my comments are as follows.

- 1) Just reading the Background section, a grievous error was made in not fulfilling the agreement to name a street after the York family. One may consider this an oversight, but by recommending this error be fixed by naming York Blvd. in a "to be developed" subdivision nearby is quite frankly an insult. Who is to say when this subdivision is finally developed that this promise would be honoured.
- 2) Instead of rectifying this error, the Administration has recommended that the smallest street in this York subdivision be changed from Corbin Watson Drive to York Drive. In my mind, another insult to the York family.
- 3) The signage is Corbin Watson Way not Drive as the Administration letter states. Has any Town employee or Councillor driven out to this York subdivision to even see these two currently named streets (Megan Agosta Drive and Corbin Watson Way) so they could assess the situation visually?
- 4) Under the Discussion section, it appears that the Town just rubber stamps the names a developer chooses. This subdivision was developed, well over 20 years ago. Were these names in the original drawings and submission to the Town, or more recently added, within the last few years?
- 5) There would be a cost to change the names of both streets but if the change is not made, a precedent would be set. In the future, a developer can choose any street name and it seems the Town only requires a check to see if the name has already been used before approval.
- 6) The Administration has recommended renaming the smaller street at the Town's cost. Some of the costs would be shared for each street change i.e. paper ad.
- 7) As recommended in the letter submitted to Council April 22, 2019 and read into Council on May 13, a by-law should be approved that no street would be named after a living or dead individual. Council needs to ensure more oversight in naming streets in the future.

Please give this your full consideration and, in spite of the cost, honour the York family and act on what was originally promised in writing.

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Thank you for your consideration.	

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