

TORONTO STAFF REPORT

June 8, 2000

To: Etobicoke Community Council

From: W. (Wally) Kowalenko, City Surveyor, Works and Emergency Services

Subject: Proposed Renaming of Kipling Avenue, South of Lake Shore Boulevard West (Lakeshore-Queensway)

Purpose:

This report provides information on the renaming of the portion of Kipling Avenue, south of Lake Shore Boulevard West.

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

The estimated advertising costs for the notice of a proposed street name change is \$2,000. Funds are available for this purpose in account 4414 WT0006.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

Background:

The Etobicoke Community Council at its meeting held on May 3, 2000, had before it a report (April 12, 2000) from the City Surveyor, respecting the renaming of the portion of Kipling Avenue, south of Lake Shore Boulevard West, to 'Eighteenth Street'; advising that the proposed name change has the support of Toronto Fire Services, the Technical Working Group and Design and Management Committee – Lakeshore Grounds, and representatives of the community pursuant to a "Visioning Workshop" held in May 1999; that there are no property addresses affected by the proposed renaming; and recommending that:

- (1) the portion of Kipling Avenue, south of Lake Shore Boulevard West, illustrated on Attachment No. 1, appended to the report, be renamed 'Eighteenth Street'; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Etobicoke Community Council:

- (1) deferred consideration of the aforementioned report to its meeting scheduled to be held on June 21, 2000; and
- (2) requested the City Surveyor to give consideration to the following:
 - (a) historical names (property owners) in the area;
 - (b) renaming the street 'Assembly Hall Drive'; and
 - (c) recommending a possible street name in recognition of Colonel Samuel Smith;

and submit a report thereon to the Etobicoke Community Council for such meeting.

Comments:

The portion of Kipling Avenue, south of Lake Shore Boulevard West, provides access to several properties including Colonel Samuel Smith Park, the historic quadrangle buildings leased to Humber College, Assembly Hall, the Power House and the Lakeshore Yacht Club. These properties are identified by Lake Shore Boulevard West addresses. Vehicular access to these properties and buildings is from Kipling Avenue and other unnamed access roads, as illustrated on Attachment No. 1.

The proposed street names Assembly Hall Drive, Colonel Samuel Smith Drive and Kivas Tully Drive have been reviewed and do not conflict with existing street names in Toronto. The names are also acceptable to Toronto Fire Services. Background information on the proposed names is set out in Attachment No. 3.

Other historic names have been reviewed including the names of former property owners in the area, however, these names conflict with existing street names in Toronto.

John Hooiveld, Associate Director of Facilities Management, Humber College has requested that the name Kipling Avenue be retained. Mr. Hooiveld's reasons for his request are set out in Attachment No. 2.

Conclusions:

The names Assembly Hall, Colonel Samuel Smith and Kivas Tully are available for use and are not duplicated in the City of Toronto.

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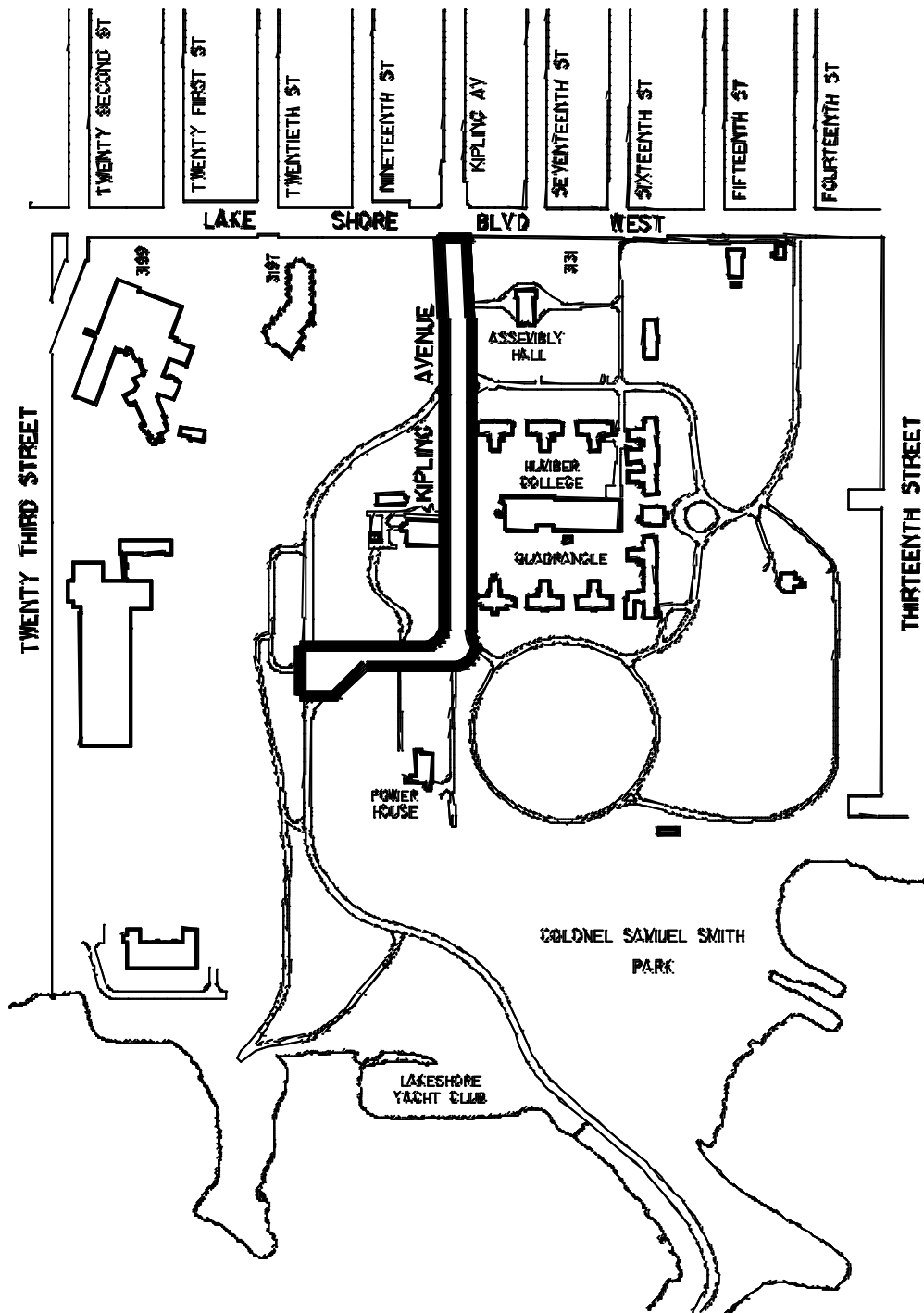
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Attachment No. 1 – Map
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 " ATTACHMENT No.1 "



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 MAP: ETWILBROKE DISTRICT

Attachment No. 2

Letter from John Hooiveld of Humber College dated May 15, 2000

Councillor Mario Giasante
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Dear Mr. Giasante:

Re: June Community Council Meeting
Re-naming Kipling Avenue (South of Lakeshore Blvd)

We understand that the above noted issue was discussed at the most recent meeting of Community Council and additional discussion deferred to the June Council Meeting.

In this regard, Humber College, as a significant institution on the east side of "Kipling Avenue" (south of Lakeshore Blvd.), wish to express concern that alternate identification names are being considered. Although we agree that there are several relationships which could substantiate historical nomenclature, there is in our opinion, an overriding need to provide a street name that identifies directly to connecting relationships and existing directional signage on adjacent major connecting arteries. Although Humber College regularly attends Lakeshore Grounds Design Management Committee and Technical Working Committee meetings at which renaming has been discussed, we have recently been advised by our Corporate Imaging consultants of the importance of retaining a Kipling Avenue address.

We recall a community meeting some time ago, which we attended, whereby those present, representing various local interest groups (albeit the attendance was rather low) indicated marginal preference to Eighteenth Street. We now believe, that adoption of this or a name other than Kipling Avenue (South) does not serve the best identification interests of Humber College, particularly in light of our ongoing plans to continue renovations of the quadrangle buildings, and thereby increase our student population, over the course of the next few years.

It is our understanding that, ultimately, a more formal approval process is required, whereby landowners on the affected street have an opportunity to agree/disagree with any tentative change.

Accordingly, we respectfully request Community Council to consider the College position on this issue, and thereby retain the Kipling Avenue (South) designation.

We would be pleased to be given the opportunity to comment further at your June Council meeting.

Attachment No. 3

Background information on the proposed names:

- Assembly Hall The Lakeshore Assembly Hall is located at the south-east corner of Lake Shore Boulevard and Kipling Avenue. The City of Toronto is developing the building as a community cultural centre serving south Etobicoke and area. The project involves the restoration and renovation of this historic building.
- Colonel Samuel Smith Colonel Samuel Smith was one of Etobicoke's first settlers. In 1793, he was granted 1680 hectares of Crown land by Lieutenant Governor John Graves Simcoe. His tract extended from Lake Ontario to Bloor Street and from Kipling Avenue to Etobicoke Creek. The south-eastern most portion of this land now forms part of the park bearing his name.
- Kivas Tully Kivas Tully was the architect responsible for the design of the exceptional collection of heritage buildings located on the Lakeshore Grounds. The name "Kivas Tully" was to be used to identify a proposed street in the former City of Toronto however the name is now available for use at this location.