

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Naming of Proposed Private Lanes and Walkways at 939 Lawrence Avenue East (Shops at Don Mills)

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Wally Kowalenko, City Surveyor
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the community council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This report recommends that the proposed private lanes and walkways at the commercial development at 939 Lawrence Avenue East, The Shops at Don Mills, be named Clock Tower Road, Strolling Mills Road, Heartwood Road, Mercado Mews, Moonlight Lane, Nesting Walk, Reunion Walk, Twilight Lane and Azure Mews.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Surveyor recommends that:

- (1) the proposed private lanes and walkways at 939 Lawrence Avenue East be named Clock Tower Road, Strolling Mills Road, Heartwood Road, Mercado Mews, Moonlight Lane, Nesting Walk, Reunion Walk, Twilight Lane and Azure Mews;
- (2) Cadillac Fairview Corporation Limited, pays the cost, estimated to be in the amount of \$6,000.00, for the fabrication and installation of street name signs; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including the introduction of a naming by-law.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report. The estimated costs of \$6,000.00 for the street name signs are to be paid by the applicant.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

We have a request from Cadillac Fairview Corporation Limited (20 Queen Street West, Toronto, ON M5H 3R4) to name the proposed private lanes and walkways at the commercial development at 939 Lawrence Avenue East, as shown on Attachment No. 1. Naming the lanes and walkways will facilitate the identification of the proposed units fronting thereon.

The following descriptive names have been suggested by Cadillac Fairview:

- 1. Clock Tower Road chosen as reference to one of the major features of the Public Square, the Clock Tower, which supports the "Neighbourhood" planning concept of Don Mills.
- 2. Strolling Mills Road chosen to encourage leisurely walking and shopping along the street. It supports the planning principle of separating vehicles from pedestrians.
- 3. Heartwood Road As the name "heart" suggests, the street connotes a caring neighbourhood. The second part of the name is in keeping with the new trees that will be planted throughout the project and supports the greenbelt planning concept.
- 4. Mercado Mews meaning "a market" in Spanish This name was inspired by the new "merchants" at Shops at Don Mills. It has the same spirit of the names in the surrounding community, yet is original and fresh.
- 5. Moonlight Lane relating to moonlit nights.
- 6. Nesting Walk The mews, which leads off Strolling Mills Road and passes the public washrooms, is in keeping with the nature theme. It is also suggestive of a rest-stop. (Walkway)
- 7. Reunion Walk meeting others, located near guest services. (Walkway)
- 8. Twilight Lane relating to the twilight sky. (Walkway)
- 9. Azure Mews relating to the open blue sky.

COMMENTS

The proposed names have been circulated for comment and are acceptable to Councillor Cliff Jenkins, the North York Preservation Panel, Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

The names conform with item 1 (c), Criteria For Name Selection, as set out in City Council's street naming policy – "to strengthen neighbourhood identity".

Notices to name the lanes and walkways, under the *City of Toronto Act, 2006*, will be given in accordance with the notice requirement set out in Chapter 162-3A of the City of Toronto Municipal Code.

The proposed names are consistent with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy approved by City Council at its meeting held on August 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2000 (Clause 9, Report 15 of the Works Committee) and should therefore be approved for identifying the lanes and walkways.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1 – Map

Attachment No. 1

LAWRENCE AVENUE EAST

