

# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

# Naming of Public Lane West of Yonge Street Between Wellesley Street West and College Street

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
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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 name "St. Luke Lane" be approved to identify the public lane located west of Yonge Street, between Wellesley Street West and College Street. Naming the lane will facilitate in the dispatch of Emergency Services to the lane.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Surveyor recommends that:

- (1) the public lane located west of Yonge Street between Wellesley Street West and College Street, be named "St. Luke Lane"; and
- (2) 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.

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

We have a request from the Bay Corridor Community Association - BCCA - (1055 Bay Street, Suite 1516, Toronto, ON M5S 3A3) to name the public lane located west of Yonge Street between Wellesley Street West and College Street, shown on Attachment No. 1, as "St. Luke Lane".

According to the BCCA, the name "is in recognition of St. Luke's Church that stood on Bay Street prior to 1930. Sometime in the 1930's, the church was demolished. The resulting vacant lot was redeveloped as a car dealership, Ontario Chrysler, until the current condominium at 1001 Bay Street was constructed in about 1988. The old St Luke's Church was a local landmark until its demolition. It sat close enough to our unnamed lane that we feel it is appropriate to honour that long ago historic building by putting its name on this nearby lane."

#### **COMMENTS**

The proposed name has been circulated for comment and is acceptable to Councillor Kyle Rae, the Toronto and East York Preservation Panel, Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

The name conforms with item 1 (b), Criteria For Name Selection, as set out in City Council's street naming policy – "to commemorate local history, places, events or culture".

Notice to name the lane, 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 name is 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 public lane.

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment No. 1 – Map

