

**Naming of Public Lanes and Road Located North of
Regal Road, Between Northcliffe Boulevard and
Springmount Avenue**

Date:	October 23, 2009
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	City Surveyor
Wards:	Ward 17
Reference Number:	P:\2009\Cluster B\TEC\EY09040

SUMMARY

This report recommends that City Council grant an exception to the street naming policy and name the public lanes and public road located north of Regal Road, between Northcliffe Boulevard and Springmount Avenue, “Clovis John Brooks Lane”.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Surveyor recommends that:

1. City Council grant an exception to the street naming policy and name the following lands “Clovis John Brooks Lane”:
 - a. The public lanes located north of Regal Road, between Northcliffe Boulevard and Glenholme Avenue, and
 - b. the public road between Glenholme Avenue and Springmount Avenue.
2. City Council authorize City officials to take the necessary action to implement the foregoing including the introduction of a by-law.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

We have a request from Councillor Palacio to name the public lanes and road located north of Regal Road, between Northcliffe Boulevard and Springmount Avenue, as shown on Attachment No. 1, “Clovis John Brooks Lane”.

Dr. Clovis John Brooks was the founder of the John Brooks Foundation, one of the first non-profit organizations of its kind in Toronto that looked to the improvement of disadvantaged inner city children. For this and for many other causes in which he had campaigned tirelessly, Dr. Brooks was awarded the Order of Canada, the Order of Ontario, the Order of Distinction from Jamaica, the Medal for Good Citizenship and an honorary doctorate degree from Queens University. John lived on Glenholme Avenue in Regal Heights and passed away in 2008. The family of Dr. Brooks concurs with the naming proposal.

COMMENTS

The proposed name “Clovis John Brooks Lane” has been circulated for comment and the stakeholder comments and staff recommendation are outlined below:

Name Submitted by Ward Councillor	Stakeholder Comments	Staff Recommendation
Clovis John Brooks Lane	1. Police, Fire and EMS - possible conflict with Clovis Lane. 2. Etobicoke York Preservation Panel – unable to provide comments in time for report.	Clovis John Brooks Lane

The City of Toronto Street Naming Policy approved by City Council at its meeting held on August 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2000, and amended May 30, 31 and June 1, 2001, states in part that “Similar sounding names such as Beach Avenue and Peach Avenue, or Apple Hill Road and Apple Road should be avoided.”

The proposed name otherwise conforms with Item 1 (a), Criteria For Name selection, as set out in City Council’s street naming policy – “to honour and commemorate noteworthy persons associated with the City of Toronto”.

The name “Clovis John Brooks Lane” is not duplicated in Toronto or in the municipalities surrounding Toronto. The use of the full name should help to distinguish it from “Clovis Lane”, thereby addressing the concerns of Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services. Subject to City Council granting an exception to the street naming policy, the proposed name could be used in identifying the public lanes and road.

CONTACT

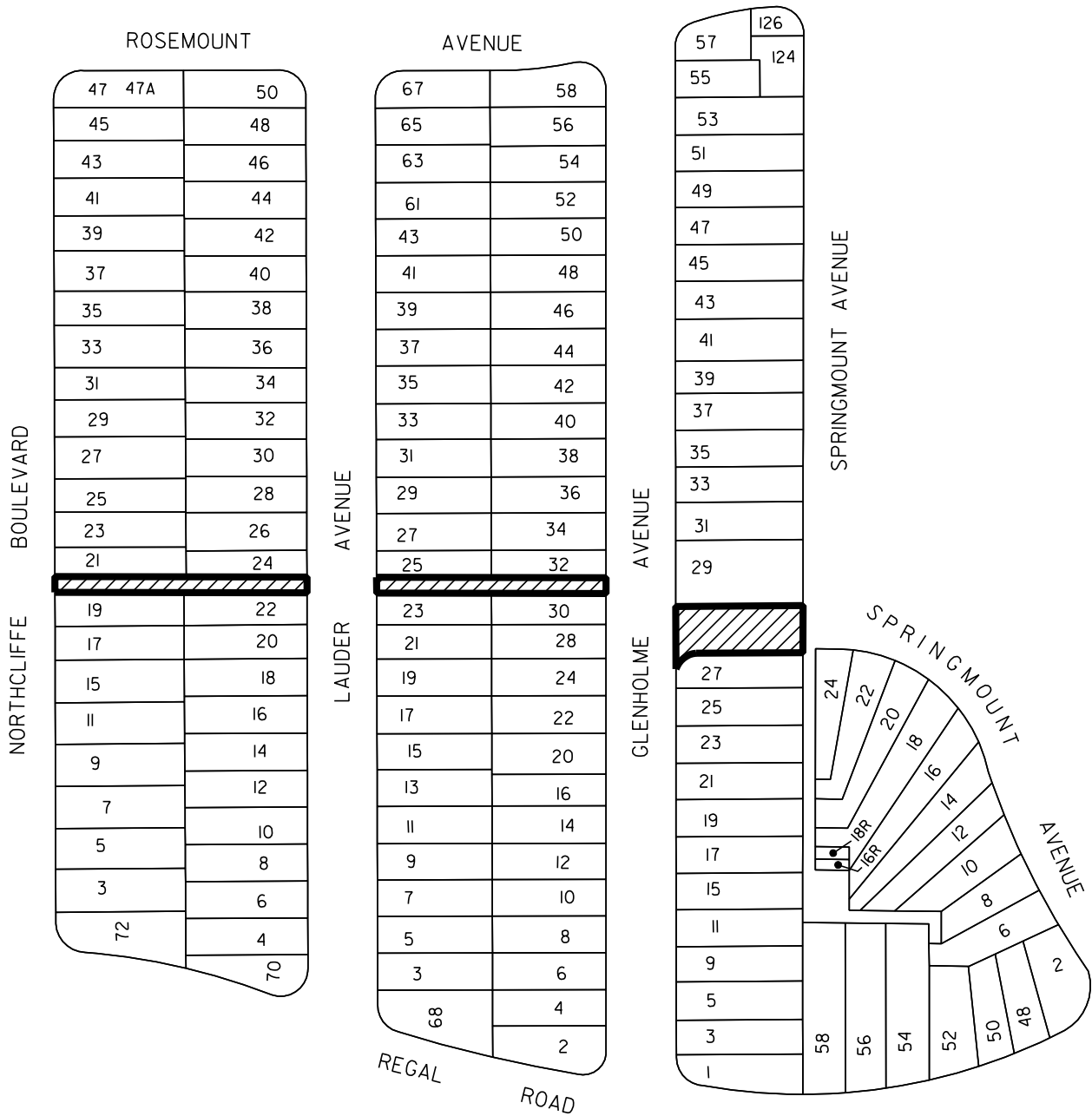
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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENT - MAP

Attachment No.1



PUBLIC LANES TO BE NAMED "CLOVIS JOHN BROOKS LANE"



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SURVEY AND MAPPING SERVICES
WARD 17 OCTOBER 17, 2009
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