



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Naming of Public Lane located west of Cliff Street between Langden Avenue and Jasper Avenue

Date:	May 26, 2016
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Engineering Support Services
Wards:	Ward 11
Reference Number:	P:\2016\Cluster B\TEC\ EY16027

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the name "Heroes Lane" be approved to identify a public lane located west of Cliff Street, between Langden Avenue and Jasper Avenue.

Community Councils have delegated authority to decide street naming matters which comply with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Engineering and Construction Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Approve the name "Heroes Lane" for a public lane located west of Cliff Street between Langden Avenue and Jasper Avenue.

Financial Impact

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

An application was received on April 13, 2016 from Councillor Nunziata requesting that the public lane located west of Cliff Street between Langden Avenue and Jasper Avenue be named "Heroes Lane" in honour of the three Westlake brothers, residents of the area who died in Normandy during World War II, and also in honour of all veterans. The following information taken from a Toronto Star article dated July 22, 2011 provides some background on the Westlake brothers and was provided by the applicant:

"Long before the machinations of a man named Adolf Hitler would draw them into fatal combat, young George, Tommy and Albert Westlake would break from their hardscrabble lives and play ball in Toronto's Mount Dennis neighborhood park... Westlake Memorial Park was opposite a modest, working class house that still stands near Black Creek Drive and Weston Rd. It's where the Westlake brothers lived with siblings John and Edward and parents Robert and Etta,... the three brothers who lost their lives in June 1944, shortly after Canadian forces landed on Juno Beach...it's believed the Westlake family is the only one to have lost three members in the Juno aftermath."

The lane is shown as PART 1 on Attachment No.1 Sketch No. PS-2016-080.

COMMENTS

The proposed name has been circulated for comment and is acceptable to Toronto Police Service, Toronto Fire Services, and Toronto Paramedic Services.

Councillor Nunziata supports this naming proposal.

Consent was provided by the Westlake family.

Community support in the form of a petition from residents, whose properties abut the lane, was provided by the applicant.

This naming proposal complies with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.EX7.8>

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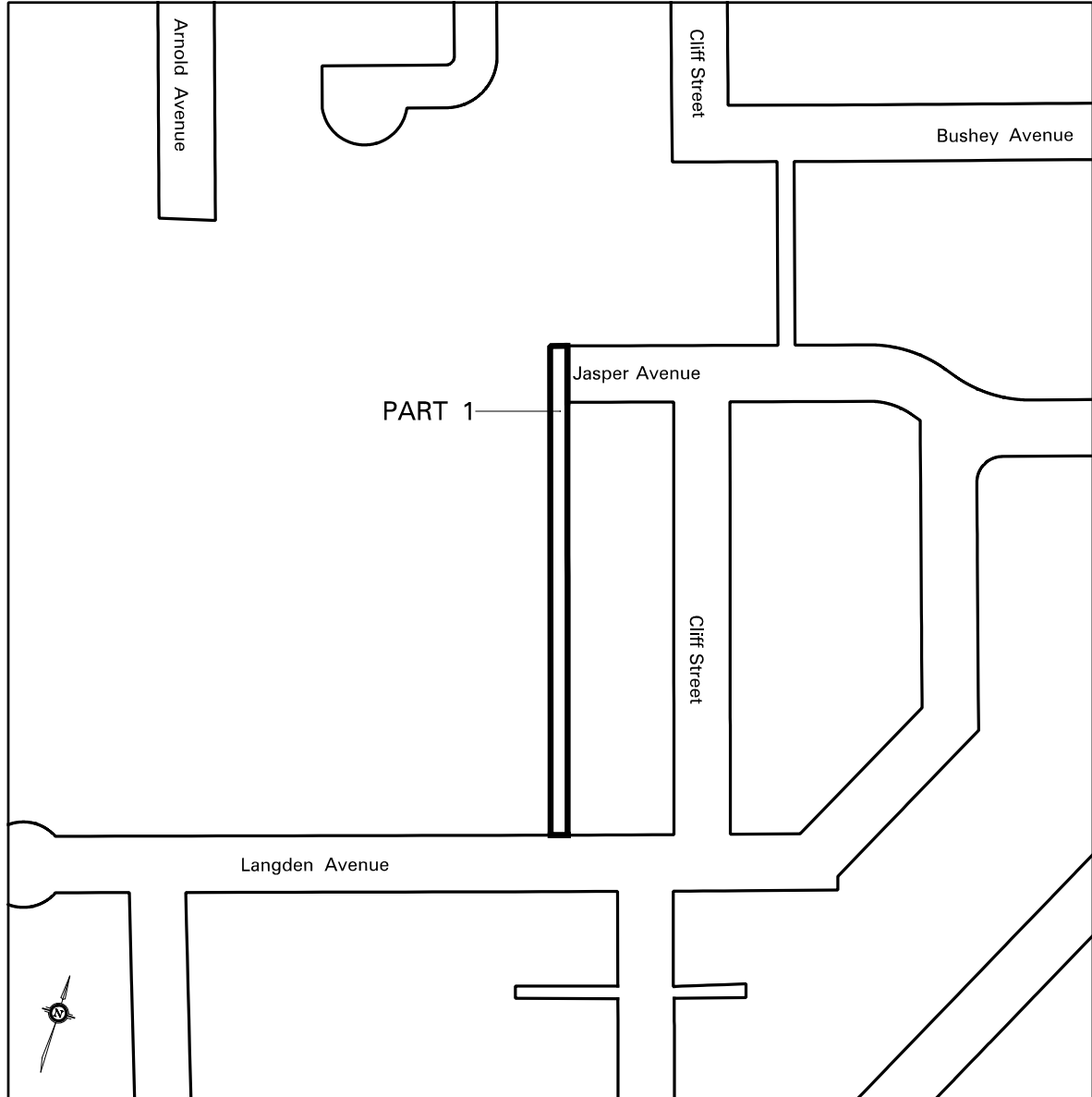
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ATTACHMENT

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2016-080

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PROPERTY INFORMATION SHEET

NAMING OF PUBLIC LANE LOCATED SOUTH OF JASPER AVENUE AND NORTH OF LANGDEN AVENUE

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