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Naming of Public Lane between Munro Street and Hamilton Street, extending northerly from Kintyre Avenue

Date: March 16, 2017
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Director, Engineering Support Services, Engineering & Construction Services
Wards: Ward 30, Toronto-Danforth

SUMMARY

This report responds to a Motion by Toronto and East York Community Council requesting a report on the naming of the public laneway located between Munro Street and Hamilton Street, extending northerly from Kintyre Avenue, in honour of Peggy Ann Smith.

This report recommends that the name "Peggy Ann Smith Lane" be approved.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

Engineering & Construction Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

 Approve the name "Peggy Ann Smith Lane" for a public lane located between Munro Street and Hamilton Street, extending northerly from Kintyre Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The cost to install one street name sign is approximately \$250 and is included within the Transportation Services Division Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on November 15, 2016, Toronto and East York Community Council adopted item TE20.73 which contained the following recommendation:

"The Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Requested the City Surveyor to report back to the Toronto and East York Community Council to name the public laneway located between Munro Street and Hamilton Street, extending northerly from Kintyre Avenue in honour of Peggy Ann Smith."

In making this recommendation, Toronto and East York Community Council considered a letter dated November 14, 2016, from Councillor Fletcher which provided some background on Peggy Ann Smith:

"Peggy Ann Smith was a highly-respected and much loved mother, grandmother, and neighbour in Rivertowne. Her tragic death on August 27, 2016 has left her children, grandchildren and a community grief stricken.

Peggy's generous spirit; like her caring and compassionate ways extended well beyond her family into the larger community. Peggy's faith was always front and centre in her life and it fueled her tremendous loyalty to her family, her neighbors and her many friends. Her daily visits, her hugs, and her prayers are missed by the Don Mount/Rivertowne community.

Over 200 residents have signed a petition in support of naming the laneway in her honour. Her family is supportive of this tribute. The touching comments shared on the petition highlight the impact Peggy had on her extended family and community.

Given the significant contributions Peggy Ann Smith made to the Rivertowne community, it is fitting that the public laneway be named in her memory."

This naming was reviewed under the provisions of Section 3.8 of the Street Naming Policy which states:

"3.8 Street names, including ceremonial names, shall not:

"3.8.6 Make a direct or indirect reference to recent events or recently deceased individuals, <u>except</u> where the event or the individual had a legacy or significant contributions to the City of Toronto. Names of recent events or recently deceased individual may be considered after two years

Peggy Ann Smith died tragically on August 27, 2016.

Based on the legacy of significant contributions to the City of Toronto made by Peggy Ann Smith, it is determined that this naming is in compliance with the Street Naming Policy.

COMMENTS

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

Consent was provided by Lisa Smith, daughter of Peggy Ann Smith.

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

The lane is shown as PART 1 on Attachment No.1 Sketch No. PS-2016-149.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2016-149

