

## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

## Naming of Public Lane Located South of Grange Avenue, Extending Easterly from Huron Street

| Date:                | August 19, 2011                         |
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| To:                  | Toronto and East York Community Council |
| From:                | City Surveyor                           |
| Wards:               | Ward 20                                 |
| Reference<br>Number: | P:\2011\Cluster B\TEC\TE11039           |

#### 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 public lane located south of Grange Avenue, extending easterly from Huron Street, be named "Orphanage Mews".

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### The City Surveyor recommends that:

- 1. the public lane located south of Grange Avenue, extending easterly from Huron Street, be named "Orphanage Mews"; and
- 2. the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed 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**

An application was made by the property owner at 37 Rear Huron Street to name the public lane located south of Grange Avenue, extending easterly from Huron Street, "Orphanage Mews", as shown on Attachment No. 1. The name "Orphanage Mews" has been proposed to recognize The Protestant Orphans' Home, which was once located on Sullivan Street, and backed onto the lane.

The Protestant Orphans' Home was Toronto's first orphanage. It originally opened on Bay Street in 1852 but moved to Sullivan Street in 1854, where it ensured the care and welfare of up to 30 children. Between 1861 and 1864, there were additional wings built on each side of the original structure, resulting in the accommodation of 70 children. After a measles outbreak in 1864 that killed 18 children, there was also an infirmary wing built in the rear of the building. In 1882, the orphanage moved to Dovercourt Road. The Sullivan Street building was sold and eventually torn down.

#### **COMMENTS**

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

The proposed name conforms with Item (b), Criteria for Name Selection, as set out in City Council's Street Naming Policy - "to commemorate local history, places, events or culture." 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 and amended May 30, 31 and June 1, 2001 and should therefore be approved for identifying the public lane.

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.

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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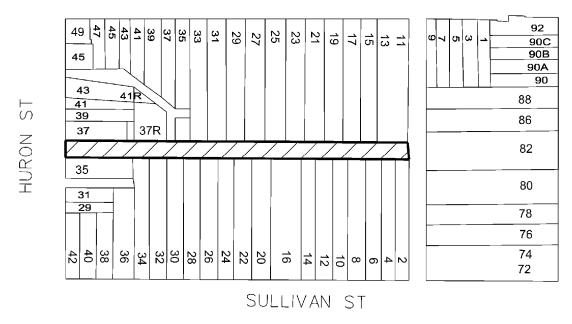
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ATTACHMENT - MAP

# BEVERLEY ST

#### Attachment No. 1

GRANGE AVE



### PUBLIC LANE TO BE NAMED "ORPHANAGE MEWS"

