Naming of Public Lane east of Montrose Avenue extending northerly from Harbord Street

**STAFF REPORT**

**ACTION REQUIRED**

**SUMMARY**

This report recommends that the public lane located east of Montrose Avenue extending northerly from Harbord Street be named "Peperonata Lane".

Community Council has delegated authority to decide street naming matters which comply with the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Technical Services recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council approve the name "Peperonata Lane" for the public lane located east of Montrose Avenue extending northerly from Harbord Street.

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 residents of Montrose Ave to name the public lane located east of Montrose Avenue and extending northerly from Harbord Street, "Peperonata Lane". This lane is shown as Part 1 on Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2012-109.
The residents whose properties border on the lane have provided the following background information on the proposed name:

"Montrose Avenue between Bloor St West and Harbord has been an active community for many years. Most residents herald from many countries around the world. Annually, we apply and receive a permit to close the street and celebrate with fun events such as a bike parade, games for children and adults of all ages (including a robust street hockey game), barbeque, and a sit down dinner where everyone brings a dish reflective of their families ethnicities. Later, our local garage bands serenade us.

In addition to the street party, throughout each year, the Galle family, who've lived at 441 Montrose (the east side) since 1972, includes many Montrose residents in their annual celebration of making the "sugo" or tomato sauce, the roasted peppers and peperonata party, and the spirited soppressata contest, which they bring from their home country of Italy. Everyone learns the old world techniques and celebrates their new life in our Canadian context.

To commemorate how our lives have been enriched by the Galles welcoming and generous spirits, and in keeping with the traditions they've taught us and that we've now made our own, we propose the lane be named "Peperonata Lane" as a way of celebrating their unsung contribution to our neighbourhood".

COMMENTS

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

The proposed name complies with the City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy.

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 City of Toronto Honourific and Street Naming Policy can be found at: http://www.toronto.ca/mapping/street_naming/index.htm
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ATTACHMENT

Attachment No. 1 – Sketch No. PS-2012-109
Lane Naming - "Peperonata Lane"