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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Naming of Proposed Public Streets - West Don Lands Redevelopment

Date:	August 22, 2013
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Manager Land and Property Surveys
Wards:	Ward 28
Reference Number:	P:\2013\Cluster B\TEC\TE13008

SUMMARY

This report recommends approval of four names for proposed public streets, which are located in the West Don Lands Redevelopment. These names comply with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.

The report goes on to recommend that one proposed name, "Palace Street", not be approved, as this name does not comply with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Engineering and Construction Services recommends that:

- (1) Toronto East York Community Council approve the names "Trolley Crescent", "Cooperage Street", "Tannery Road" and "Rolling Mills Road" for proposed public streets located in the West Don Lands Redevelopment.
- (2) City Council not approve the name "Palace Street" for a proposed public street located in the West Don Lands Redevelopment; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including the introduction of naming by-laws.

Financial Impact

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

An application was made by Waterfront Toronto (20 Bay Street, Suite 1310, Toronto, ON M5J 2N8) to name several proposed public streets in the West Don Lands Redevelopment, as shown on Attachment No. 1. The streets are located in the area bounded by King Street East. Bayview Avenue, the railway corridor, and Cherry Street.

The following proposed names were researched and recommended by the West Don Lands Heritage Naming Committee:

"Trolley Crescent" – This name acknowledges the site of the Toronto Railway Company street car stables and is an extension of the existing Trolley Crescent.

"Cooperage Street" – This name acknowledges the Gooderham Cooperage which manufactured barrels and operated until at least 1890 on the north side of Front Street near Cherry Street.

"Tannery Road" – This name reflects the past history of the area.

"Rolling Mills Road" – Toronto Rolling Mills was one of the large industries established in the area in the mid 1800's.

"Palace Street" – This was the original name for a portion of Front Street, and which acknowledged the first parliament buildings, termed the Palace, located at Front Street and Parliament Street. It also recognizes the significance of the Palace Street School, located at Front and Cherry Streets.

COMMENTS

The proposed names were circulated for comment to the first responders, Toronto and East York Preservation Panel and Councillor McConnell.

"Trolley Crescent", "Cooperage Street", "Tannery Road" and "Rolling Mills Road" were acceptable to all parties. These names comply with The City of Toronto Street Naming Policy approved by City Council at its meeting held on August 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2000 (Clause 9, Report 15 of the Works Committee) and are recommended for approval.

"Palace Street" was not acceptable to Toronto Police Service, Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Emergency Medical Services as it is similar to "Palace Pier Court" and "Palace Arch Drive". It does not comply with The City of Toronto Street Naming Policy approved by City Council at its meeting held on August 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2000 (Clause 9, Report 15 of the Works Committee), which states that "Similar sounding names such as Beach Avenue and Peach Avenue, or Apple Hill Road and Apple Road should be avoided." Due to non-compliance, it is recommended that this name not be approved.

This naming application pre-dates the naming policy adopted by City Council at its meeting of November 30 and December 1, 2011.

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment No. 1 - Location Map



