



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Naming of the Public Lane located west of Yonge Street, between Macpherson Avenue and Roxborough Street West

Date:	September 22, 2016
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Engineering Support Services, Engineering & Construction Services
Wards:	Ward 27
Reference Number:	P:\2016\Cluster B\TEC\TE16037

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the name "Sam Tile Lane" be approved to identify a public lane located west of Yonge Street extending between Macpherson Avenue and Roxborough Street West.

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:

1. Approve the name "Sam Tile Lane" for a public lane located west of Yonge Street extending between Macpherson Avenue and Roxborough Street West.

Financial Impact

The cost to install two street name signs is approximately \$500 and is included within the Transportation Services Division Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

On May 9, 2016, an application to name the lane was received from Howard Tile, son of the late Sam Tile. The applicant provided the following information:

"After fleeing oppression in Europe in the 1920's, Sam Tile worked hard and in 1946 establishing a small dry cleaning and laundry business at 1108A Yonge St. He raised his family in a small apartment above the store and the lane behind the store became a playground for my brother and me. He planted roses and other flowers in the lane behind

the store and took great pride in his surroundings. This business remains active today under new ownership and is the only commercial enterprise on the block that has survived from that era. "Sam" as he was known throughout the neighbourhood and adjacent South Rosedale was a local institution. Each morning he would be seen sweeping the sidewalk and he made sure that all the neighbourhood dogs were well fed with the doggie treats that were kept behind the counter. He would be seen at all hours picking up and delivering. By naming this laneway, we are not only honouring my father but in a broader sense the immigrant experience that has built our city. Sam embraced his new country, worked hard, saw his children graduate University as professionals, have children and grandchildren all of whom are making significant contributions to the life of this great city"

COMMENTS

Sam Tile passed away in 1997. Consent was provided by Howard Tile. Community support in the form of a petition from 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-2016-094.

The proposed name has been circulated for comment and is acceptable to Toronto Police Service, Toronto Fire Services, and Toronto Paramedic Services. Councillor Wong-Tam consulted with the local BIA and Residents Association, and has no objections to this naming proposal.

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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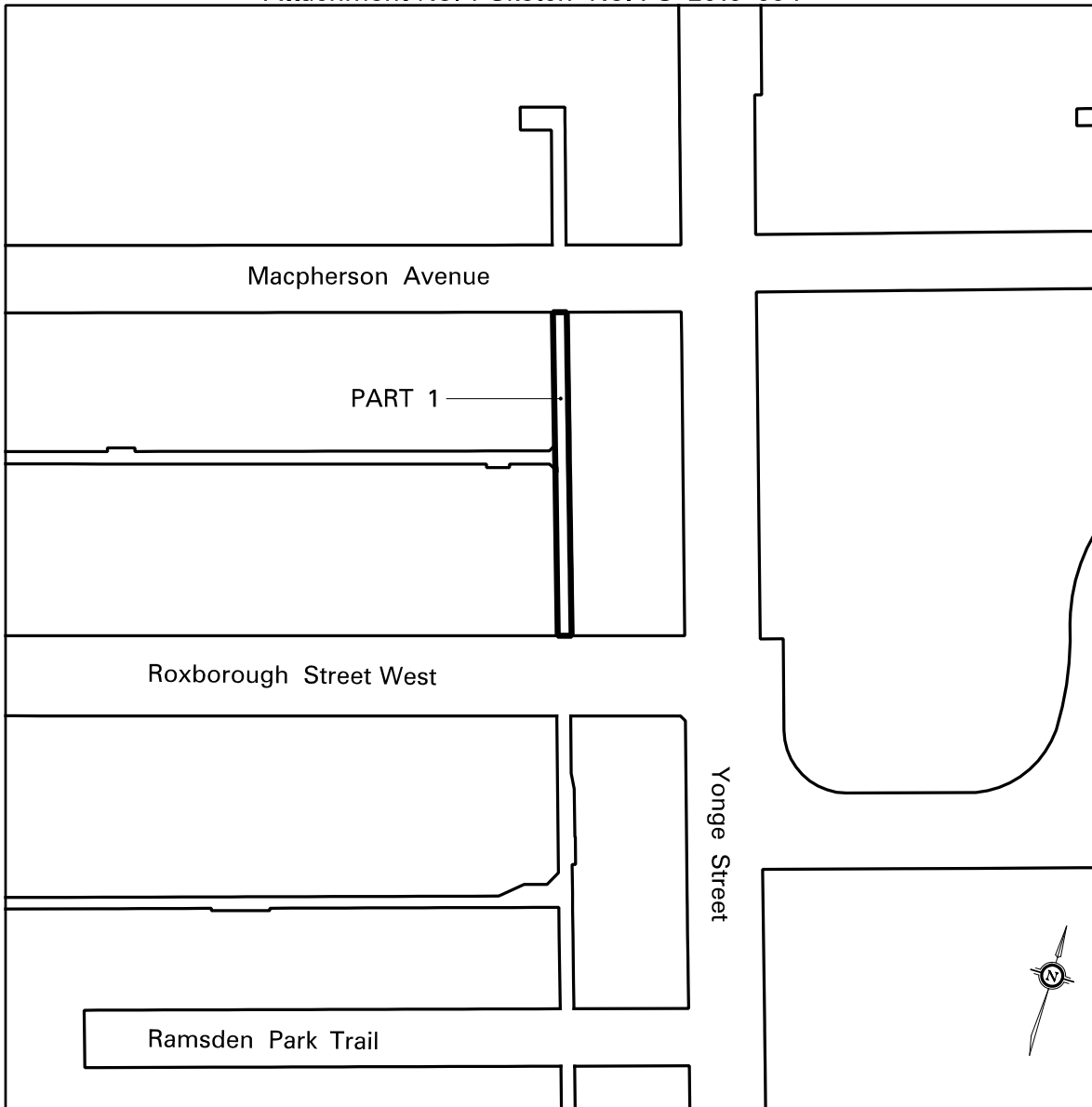
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ATTACHMENT - Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2016-094

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PROPERTY INFORMATION SHEET
NAMING OF A PUBLIC LANE LOCATED WEST OF
YONGE ST AND EXTENDING BETWEEN
MACPHERSON AVE & ROXBOROUGH ST W
WARD 27 - TORONTO CENTRE-ROSEDALE
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