

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

Naming of an existing Public Lane located west of Yonge Street, extending southerly from Elm Street

Date: July 9, 2019 **To:** City Council

From: Director, Engineering Support Services, Engineering and Construction Services

Wards: 11 - University Rosedale

SUMMARY

At its meeting on June 25, 2019, Toronto and East York Community Council adopted Item TE7.137 which requested the Director, Engineering Support Services, Engineering and Construction Services to prepare a report for the July 16th meeting of City Council on the feasibility of naming the existing public lane located west of Yonge Street, extending southerly from Elm Street as "Harry Barberian Lane".

This report indicates the feasibility of naming the existing public lane "Harry Barberian Lane". The proposed name "Harry Barberian Lane" complies with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy and thus the proposal to name the existing public lane "Harry Barberian Lane" is feasible.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

DECISION HISTORY

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COMMENTS

As directed by Toronto and East York Community Council, Engineering and Construction Services has reviewed the feasibility of naming the existing public lane located west of Yonge Street, extending southerly from Elm Street and comments as follows.

The following background and documentation was provided by the applicant:

"Harry Barberian Lane"

"In honour of the 60th anniversary of Barberian's Steak House at 7 Elm Street, the owners would like to name the public laneway south of the property for Harry Barberian, the restaurant's founder.

Harry Barberian passed away in 2014. He began his career as a short order cook for a circus' railroad dining car, and went on to found the landmark steakhouse in 1959. He played an important role in Toronto's food scene and history, opening multiple restaurants, writing about restaurant science for numerous publications, and acting as a consultant in the food and beverage industry."

Consent was given by the family of the named party.

Community support was demonstrated with a petition of signatures from property owners/ residents who directly abut the lane. A letter of support from the local BIA was also provided.

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

The lane is shown as PART 1 on Attachment No.1 Sketch No. PS-2019-074.

This naming proposal complies with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.

Street Naming Policy

The formal naming report and enactment of any necessary by-laws will be brought forward to Toronto and East York Community Council on September 16, 2019.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2019-074

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2019-074, showing the location of an existing public lane located west of Yonge Street, extending southerly from Elm Street.

