

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM2.11	ACTION			Ward: 9
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Request for Report on the Feasibility of Renaming the Public Square fronting "Santa Chiara Parkette" to "Anne Marie D'Amico Square" - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Mayor John Tory

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Toronto and East York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Mayor John Tory, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to investigate the feasibility of renaming the public square fronting Santa Chiara Parkette to "Anne Marie D'Amico Square", and to report back to the Toronto and East York Community Council with a recommendation based on the criteria and process outlined in the Property Naming Policy.
2. City Council waive Section 3.8.7 of the Property Naming Policy, the mandatory two-year waiting period for naming public parks after recently deceased individuals.

Summary

Toronto City Council was deeply saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Anne Marie D'Amico, as a result of the horrific unthinkable tragedy that unfolded on Monday, April 23, 2018 in Toronto, within the Yonge-Finch neighbourhood. Anne Marie was an employee of Invesco, a U.S.-based Investment Management Company. A huge part of Anne Marie's volunteer involvement was with the Rogers Cup, where she had been volunteering since the age of 12. Anne Marie later became an integral part of the volunteer team, in addition to her fulltime job with Invesco. Anne Marie also worked with Tennis Canada and the Badminton and Racquet Club of Toronto.

Anne Marie volunteered with the youth charity "Live Different" on two humanitarian filed trips to the Dominican Republic, first in 2015 and again in 2017. The charity partners with communities to build houses, schools and other needed projects in under-developed countries.

Anne Marie had a generous heart and always went that extra mile to help others. As a result of Anne Marie's extensive volunteer involvement, she was voted "Volunteer of the Year in 2016" by Tennis Canada. At the April 25, 2018 City Council meeting, Members of City Council collectively conveyed their sincerest sympathy to the family of Anne Marie D'Amico. Anne

Marie D'Amico was a long time parishioner of St. Clare Parish, 1118 St. Clair Avenue West, that immediately abuts Santa Chiara Parkette, which makes this public square an ideal location to honour her legacy. A Motion to review the feasibility of this renaming was previously approved at the Etobicoke York Community Council meeting on June 6, 2018, Item EY31.49.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM2.11