

# **REPORT FOR ACTION**

# Naming of an Existing Public Lane Located North of St. Clair Avenue West, Extending Between Raglan Avenue and Bathurst Street.

Date: February 27, 2019
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Director, Engineering Support Services, Engineering and Construction Services
Wards: 12 Toronto-St. Paul's

#### SUMMARY

This report recommends that the name "Albert Wiggan Lane" be approved to identify an existing public lane north of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Bathurst Street.

Community Council have delegated authority to decide lane naming matters which comply with The City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Engineering and Construction Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Approve the name "Albert Wiggan Lane" for the existing public lane north of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Bathurst Street.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

The cost to install 2 street name signs is approximately \$500 and is included within the Transportation Services Division Operating Budget.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

This is the first time that this issue is before Community Council.

An application was received on September 1st, 2018 from a resident to name the existing lane located north of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Bathurst Street, "Albert Wiggan Lane".

"Albert Wiggan has had a positive influence as a role model and a pillar of the community for over 34 years. As a business owner, former Ontario Human Rights Commissioner and an advocate for learning disabilities, Albert has done more to strengthen the community than most.

*Mr.* Wiggan has learned the value of sacrifice and commitment with his time and energy in community causes he's felt strongly about. Albert discovered when the community is doing well as a whole, its individuals are better off.

Albert Wiggan leads by example with boundless energy that has kept him busy with 16 hour days/7 days a week. He's learned the value of commitment and how to keep it. Albert's work ethic, sacrifice and steadfast dedication to the community has had a major impact on the many who've had the good fortune to know him over the years. Albert has shown the community there are more important things in life besides our own immediate needs.

In the many years Albert has been in the community's service he has brought together people of many different backgrounds, abilities, ethnicities, ages, education and income levels, uniting them together with common values."

Some of his many achievements are:

- Ontario Human Rights Commissioner 2006
- Harry Jerome Business Award 2006
- Diamond Jubilee medal Award on her Majesty's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to her Ascension to the Throne
- Dufferin-Peel Catholic School Board 2017 Award of Appreciation
- Now Magazine Toronto's Best Recognition 1995
- Black History Month Appreciation Award 2011
- Black History Month 2002 R.I.S.E Youth Leadership Award of Appreciation and Community Support
- Daily Bread Food Bank, 1994 Food Drive Organizing and Collection

Consent was given by Mr. Albert Wiggan, the named party.

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

Community support was demonstrated with a petition of signatures from property owners/ residents who directly abut the lane as well as letters of support from local

community members and organizations. A petition of general community support was also submitted by the applicant.

The proposed public street is shown as PART 1 on Attachment No.1 Sketch No. PS-2019-018

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

Street Naming Policy

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### ATTACHMENT

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2019-018

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2019-018, showing the location of an existing public lane located north of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Bathurst Street.

