# **TORONTO**

### REPORT FOR ACTION

## Naming of a Private Drive for a Development at 23 Spadina Avenue

Date: June 24, 2021

To: Toronto and York Community Council

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

Wards: 10 Spadina-Fort York

#### **SUMMARY**

This report recommends that the name "Concord CityPlace Way" be approved to identify a private drive located at 23 Spadina Avenue.

This naming proposal complies with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy which can be found at <a href="https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/planning-development/street-naming/">https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/planning-development/street-naming/</a>

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

- 1. Approve the name "Concord CityPlace Way" to identify a private drive located at 23 Spadina Avenue.
- 2. Request the applicant to pay the costs, estimated to be \$250.00, for the fabrication and installation of the street name signage; and
- 3. Request the owner and successors of the subject lands to maintain, at their own risk, the street name signage installed under Recommendations 1 of the report.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications to the City resulting from the adoption of this report. The estimated cost of \$250.00 for the street name signage is to be paid by the applicant.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

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

#### COMMENTS

A request was received, on July 14, 2020, from a developer to name the private drive in connection with their development at 23 Spadina Avenue in order to facilitate addressing of the new residential towers.

As part of the development process, new municipal addresses will be required for the two residential towers and retail/office uses. The towers and office would require addresses off the private drive since the point of ingress and egress is located off this drive. The solution is to name the private drive as "Concord CityPlace Way".

The following background and rationale provided by the applicant:

#### "Concord CityPlace Way"

"We propose to name the private drive court as "Concord CityPlace Way". Since Construction began in 2000, Concord Adex has transformed CityPlace into an allencompassing community. It is a very urban downtown lifestyle and everything is accessible; from the popular Canoe Landing community park, to the two new schools and community centre which are now opened. Concord Adex is known to be one of the most substantial contributor of city parks (Canoe Landing Community Park and Central Park in Concord Park Place, North York), community centres (Canoe Landing Community Centre and Bessarion Community Centre, North York) and privately funded public art.

Concord Adex has incorporated public art in each development project, which has helped nurture arts by mentoring emerging artists and offering scholarships for young artists. Public art benefit communities as it brings the finishing touches to a built environment. It is marking of a place and offering the public a way to enjoy art without having to pay. Concord's public art program creates a sense of place in its parks, public landscapes and on the towers we build. This year, we are honoured and proud to be the 2020 recipient of the Toronto Arts and Business Award.

Concord Adex has helped to shape the present Toronto. Our current development project, "Concord Canada House" (the subject site), is a prominent piece of the city's future. As the last development block of CityPlace community and to pay tribute to Canadian culture, this project draws heavily on Canadian symbolism, including the two residential towers, which will feature a signature maple leaf motif and will be illuminated at night to showcase the iconic Canadian theme. In addition, various elements throughout the project have also been methodically designed and incorporated into the project to pay tribute to Canada, its culture and beautiful landscape.

Therefore, we believe the proposed street name "Concord CityPlace Way" meets the City's Street Naming Policy including the street naming/renaming criteria as per Section 3.2 as it portrays a strong positive image and have historical, cultural significance and contribution to the community, city, province and the country".

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

The Entertainment BIA supports this naming proposal.

Councillor Joe Cressy, Ward 10 – Spadina-Fort York, supports this naming.

Community Councils have delegated authority to decide street naming matters which comply with the City of Toronto Street Naming Policy.

The lane is shown as PART 1 on Attachment No.1 Sketch No. PS-2021-030.

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2021-030

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2021-030, showing the location of a proposed private street at 23 Spadina Avenue.

The street is located east of Spadina Avenue, extending southerly from Blue Jays Way

