

Naming of an existing Public Lane North of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Vaughan Road

Date: December 19, 2023

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

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

Wards: Ward 12 - Toronto - St. Paul's

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the name "Dream Lane" be approved to identify an existing public lane located north of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Vaughan Road.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Approve the name "Dream Lane" for an existing public lane located north of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Vaughan Road.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

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

COMMENTS

An application was received on August 9th, 2023, from a developer requesting to name the existing public lane located north of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Vaughan Road, honouring the aspirations of the diverse local business community.

The following background and rationale provided by the applicant:

“Dream Lane”

Bathurst and St. Clair is a hyperlocal neighbourhood defined by multiculturalism, strong and inclusive community, and locally owned boutique retail storefronts and restaurants. Rich in ethnic diversity and small business culture, Dream Lane speaks to the immense potential for growth, richness and success for residents and neighbours alike. Every small business venture begins with a dream and this laneway name recognizes the importance of this dream and its potential for realization. The laneway name Dream Lane shows support to the overarching dream possessed by several local businesses striving to build their place and complement the Bathurst and St. Clair neighbourhood in doing so. Dream Lane embodies the strong sense of culture, collaboration and comradery that exists at Bathurst and St. Clair and the opportunity for simultaneous community growth and business development.

The proposed name has been circulated for comment and is acceptable to Toronto Police Service, Toronto Fire Services, Toronto Paramedic Services, and Councillor Josh Matlow, Ward 12 Toronto-St. Paul’s.

Community support was demonstrated via support letters from the local Community.

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-2023-040

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1 Sketch No. PS-2023-040

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Showing the location of an existing public lane located North of St. Clair Avenue West, extending between Raglan Avenue and Vaughan Road.

