



NOTICE OF MEETING
CIVIC ASSET NAMING COMMITTEE

AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, July 5, 2012
TIME: 6:00 pm
PLACE: Committee Room Number 1
Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

PLEASE NOTE:

- *If you are unable to attend this meeting, please advise Laura Kazakoff at 604.871.6353 or e-mail laura.kazakoff@vancouver.ca*
 - *Agendas and Minutes are available on the City of Vancouver civic agencies' web site at: <http://vancouver.ca/ctyclerk/civicaencies/civicindex.htm>*
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Roll Call

Introduction of Members and Staff

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

The Committee to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair.

Note from Meeting Coordinator: The Committee may instead opt to select an interim Chair and conduct the election at a future meeting.

1. 2012 Committee Meeting Schedule

The Committee to approve a schedule of meetings for 2012.

2. Civic Asset Naming Process - Overview

Les Mobbs, Director of Records and Archives, will provide an overview of the civic asset naming process.

3. Street Naming Request Process - Overview

Al Zacharias, City Surveyor, will provide an overview of the street naming request process.

4. List of Potential Vancouver Street Names

The Committee to review the attached List of Potential Vancouver Street Names to determine if names should be added to the Civic Asset Name Reserve List.

5. Review of Proposed Names Submitted by Public

The Committee to review the attached list of proposed names received via the City's website to determine if submissions are to be added to the Civic Asset Name Reserve List.

6. Civic Asset Naming Requests

- (a) Public Street near Granville Street and West 70th Avenue
- (b) Public Street joining South West Marine Drive and West 64th Avenue and situated between Cambie Street and Yukon Street
- (c) Renaming of Fraser Street to Rizal Street

7. New Business

Next Meeting:

To be determined.

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List of Potential Vancouver Street Names (Closed February 2012)

Note: Highlighted names have few details and would require further research

1. Names of Persons

Name	Biographical information / Background	Notes / Geographical connection, if known	Criteria Yes/No	Criteria	Name accepted for Reserve List
George P. V. Akrigg	(1913-2001) Historian and UBC English professor. Along with wife Helen Akrigg, authored "1001 BC Place Names"	Point Grey	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Alvo von Alvensleben	(c.1879-1965) Investor/promoter/developer. All-around colourful character.	Lived at 3200 West 41st Ave, currently Crofton House School for Girls	Yes	Noteworthy person	
S. Altermat	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Hiram Arkell	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
August	August Jack Khahtsahlano (also 'Haatsalano, Khahtsahlanogh, etc.) Squamish chief b. July 16, 1867, Snaug (below Burrard Bridge); baptized Feb. 12, 1879; d. June 14, 1967, Vancouver. Buried at Squamish. Son of Khaytulk (Supple Jack) of Chaythoos; grandson of Chief Khahtasalanough of Snaug. . His wife, <i>Swanamia's</i> English name was Mary Ann. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_K.htm	Kitsilano and Kitsilano Diversion named after him.	Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
L. R. Authier	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
W. G. Ballson	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Sam Bass	Pharmacist b. April 25, 1915, on a Winnipeg farm; d. Nov. 8, 1990, Vancouver. Son of Kiev area immigrant farmers. Sam and brother Jack became pharmacists; brother Paul received a PhD in pharmacology. Graduated from U. of Manitoba (1939). After serving in WWII as an RCAF pharmacist, he was en route to California when he settled in Vancouver. In 1945, on a loan, he bought Schoff's Drug Store (Main and Union), and renamed it London Drugs. A pioneer in his field, he created the first modern drug store in B.C. and was the first pharmacy discounter. A strong supporter of Jewish charities and community affairs. "He took his profit in pennies." http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
D. L. Beckinsale	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				

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Earle Birney	Earle Alfred Birney Poet b. May 13, 1904, Calgary, Alta.; d. Aug. 27, 1995, Toronto, Ont. An English graduate (UBC, 1926; PhD, U. of T, 1938), he wrote seriously from the late 1930s. Won two Governor-General poetry awards (1942, 1945) and the Leacock Medal for Humor. Taught literature at UBC (1946-65). Founded UBC's creative writing department, the first in Canada (1963). Published more than 30 books including novels and poetry (Rag and Bone Shop; Ghost in the Wheels: Selected Poems; Turrey (dramatized)). CBC broadcaster, critic, literary editor of Canadian Forum, editor of Canadian Poetry Magazine. Officer of the Order of Canada. D.Litt (UBC, 1987). Biblio: Earle Birney: A Life by Elspeth Cameron. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm	Point Grey (?)	Yes	Noteworthy person	
George Black	Butcher, Hotelier b. 1831, Aberdeen, Scotland; d. Dec. 21, 1896, Vancouver. In 1866, bought waterfront Lot 26 for \$25 down, \$25 later, Vancouver's first real estate transaction. Built a slaughterhouse and supplied meat to Hastings, Moodyville, Stamp's Mill, and ships in harbor. Built two-storey New Brighton Hotel at Hastings where New Westminster road met Burrard Inlet, a popular resort rivalled only by Harrison Hot Springs. "The laird of Hastings" was an "ardent Scotsman, who always wore highland dress to dances, and also imported the area's first race horses." He built Vancouver's first roller rink. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm	Gastown, original townsite area	Yes	Noteworthy person	
T. Blackstone	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
James Blomfeld	Artist in stained glass. Creator of Vancouver's coat of arms. (d.1951)	Home and studio at 10 th Ave West & Columbia in Mount Pleasant. Marked with plaque.	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Mary Louise Bollert	Mary Louise Bollert UBC's first dean of women b. 1884, Guelph, Ont.; d. Aug. 1, 1945, Vancouver. Graduate, U. of T (BA, 1906); Columbia U. (MA, 1908). Director of women's education and social welfare programs in Toronto, then dean of women at Regina College (1914-21). Appointed first dean of women at UBC (1921-41), officially "advisor to women students," with a salary far below that of male deans. A founder of B.C. Teachers Federation. Delegate to many international women's conferences; one of 12 deans of women invited to tour Japan (1934). President, Confederation of University Women (1929-30). Biblio: "It's Up to You:" Women at UBC in the early years by Lee Stewart. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	

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Hewitt Bostock	<p>(May 31, 1864 - April 28, 1930) publisher, businessman and politician. Founded the Province newspaper and then entered politics winning election to the Canadian House of Commons as a Liberal in the 1896 election, representing the riding of Yale—Cariboo for one term (until the 1900 election). In 1904, appointed to the Canadian Senate and in 1922, became Speaker of the Canadian Senate and held the position until his death in 1930. In 1925, he served as a member of the Canadian delegation to the Assembly of the League of Nations.</p> <p>There is a Mount Hewitt Bostock (2183 m or 7162 ft)[2] named in his honour[3] in the northern end of the Canadian Cascades, about 20 kilometres northeast of the Fraser Canyon town of Boston Bar, which is in what had been the riding of Yale—Cariboo where his political career began (today in Chilliwack—Fraser Canyon).</p> <p>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hewitt_Bostock</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person	
F. D. Boucher	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
John Boulton	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886. First magistrate of the City. His son became first Water Works superintendent.				
Francis Bowser	<p>Point Grey pioneer b. Sept. 13, 1858, Kingston (now Rexton), NB; d. Sept. 26, 1929, Vancouver. "Trail blazer of Point Grey." At 17, went to sea for five years, then came overland to Victoria (1883). Helped build CPR, then joined Dominion Customs Service (1888-1908) as chief landing officer to 1908. His first home was at MacDonald between 43rd and 44th avenues (1907); his second at Trafalgar and 45th (1926). Reeve of Point Grey. Oldest brother of W.J. Bowser</p> <p>http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm</p>	Point Grey	Yes	Noteworthy person	

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Angelo Branca	<p>Judge b. March 21, 1903, Mount Sicker, B.C.; d. Oct. 3, 1984, Vancouver. Canadian amateur middleweight boxing champion. Began practising law in Vancouver in 1926 as leading defence attorney. Defended high profile cases, including more than 60 murderers. "Lost only two ... to the hangman." At 36, he was B.C.'s youngest crown prosecutor ever. A judge with the B.C. Supreme Court (1963-66) and B.C. Court of Appeal (1966-78). Leader in Italian community. A Christopher Columbus statue on Clark was erected by the Italian community in his honor. "A dear friend of the little guy." Biblio: Angelo Branca, Gladiator of the Courts, by Vincent Moore. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person	
W. J. Brewer	<p>Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886. First reeve of South Vancouver b. c. 1841, Truro, Cornwall, Eng.; d. June 24, 1931, Vancouver. Arrived in Vancouver area in 1870 after living in Australia. In 1884, purchased 10.5 hectares in Cedar Cottage district. Moved to South Vancouver area after the great fire of 1886 destroyed his Granville St. business. In 1889, elected Ward 4 alderman. Elected first reeve of new municipality of South Vancouver (April 30, 1892). Described as "irascible," he sided with local residents who "preferred bad roads to good debts." http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm</p>	South Vancouver	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Brown, Rosemary	<p>Rosemary Brown was born in Kingston, Jamaica in 1930, and moved to Canada in 1950 to study at McGill University in Montreal. She served as a Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) in the British Columbia legislature from 1972 to 1986, making her the first Black Canadian woman to be elected to a Canadian provincial legislature. In 1975, she became the first black woman to run for the leadership of a Canadian federal party. After departing politics, she became a Professor of women's studies at Simon Fraser University. In 1993, she was appointed Chief Commissioner of the Ontario Human Rights Commission, and served until 1996. In 1995, she was awarded the Order of British Columbia and in 1996 was named an Officer of the Order of Canada. She died of a heart attack on April 26, 2003 in Vancouver, British Columbia. Canada Post featured Brown on a Canadian postage stamp released on February 2, 2009. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rosemary_Brown_(politician)</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	

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Jimmy Butterfield	Columnist b. c. 1879, London, Eng.; d. Sept. 23, 1941, Penticton, B.C. Began writing in England for Exchange, Telegraph, London Echo, Westminster Gazette. Freelanced in the Balkans after graduating from Cambridge and Heidelberg. Ranched in Kootenays to 1910. In 1914, went overseas with 122nd Battalion, Kootenay Regiment. Recuperated from TB at Balfour Sanatorium. Wrote a daily column, The Common Round in the Vancouver Daily Province (1923-41), competing with the Vancouver Sun's Bob Bouchette. "He launched a dangerous but rarely poisonous shaft against nearly everything, but especially against smugness and pseudo-respectability." http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_B.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	
John Callow	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
B. F. Chase	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
W. H. Chase	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
G. F. Chipman	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
C. A. Coldwell	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
E. H. Coleman	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
A. R. Coughtrey	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Crickmay	Built the first theatre, the Imperial				
Robert James Cromie	Vancouver Sun founder b. July 4, 1887, Scotstown, Que.; d. May 11, 1936, Victoria. Worked as a bellhop in Winnipeg's Mariaggi Hotel where he met General J.W. Stewart. Hired in 1906 by Stewart to join the Vancouver firm of Foley, Welch and Stewart. Bought debt-ridden Sun, with little money and no experience, and absorbed the News-Advertiser (1917). Also purchased the World (1924) and News-Herald (later sold to Thomson chain). Fought for equalization of grain rates in the west; won in 1925. Died suddenly and sons Donald, Peter and Samuel took over. Donald Cameron Cromie (b. Oct. 16, 1915, Vancouver) sold Sun to the Sifton family's FP Publications in 1963, leaving Vancouver with no locally owned newspaper. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_C.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	

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Arthur Delamont	Band leader b. Jan. 23, 1892, Hereford, Eng.; d. Sept. 11, 1982, Vancouver. As a youth, active in the Salvation Army Band in Moose Jaw, Sask., with father and four brothers. Survivor of 1914 sinking of Empress of Ireland in St. Lawrence. Came to Vancouver in 1922. Played trumpet at Pantages vaudeville theatre. For five decades, from January 1928, "Mr. D" conducted the Kitsilano Boys Band. Won first place in the Toronto Exposition (1931); performed at Chicago's Century of Progress Exposition and NY World's Fair (1939). Long-time PNE performers. "Raised the status of youth bands to an art." Received Vancouver's Good Citizen Award (1946). http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_D.htm	Kitsilano. Delamont Park, Arbutus & 8th, named after him.	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Dominato	Early resident in Collingwood area				
John Drainie	1965 October 30 Actor John Drainie died, aged 49. He was born in Vancouver April 1, 1916. Drainie was called by many the greatest radio actor in the world. Not just in Canada—the world. "He mastered nearly every accent and dialect in the English world," said a cohort. "Not only could Drainie imitate the voices of six different people in one program, he was able to simulate the sound of a telephone ringing, telephone dialling, a busy signal and even the sound of a bell over a grocery store door." He was Jake on CBC Radio's Jake and the Kid, he played Stephen Leacock to perfection, and there were hundreds of other roles. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/chronology1965.htm	Recommended that name be used in a theatrical or broadcasting context.	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Frank H. "Tiny" Elphicke	Pioneer in radio news at CKWX (b.1900)				
Yvonne Firkins	Theatre producer, director b. Worcester, Eng.; d. Jan. 6, 1966, Vancouver in her 70s. During WWI, lived in Birmingham where she was introduced to theatre. Came to Vancouver in 1920. Her husband, magistrate Walter H.C. Firkins, was a police court clerk for 31 years. Founding member, Vancouver Little Theatre, Vancouver Ballet School and Vancouver Dance Festival. President, B.C. Drama Association; founder, B.C. Dance Festival; member, Community Arts Council; director, Theatre Under the Stars. From 1939-45, production manager of service shows for Pacific Command. In 1964, opened Arts Club Theatre and produced the controversial Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf. "B.C.'s first lady of the theatre." http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_F.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	
Forman	Early resident in Collingwood area				

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Joe (Seraphim) Fortes	Beach guard b. 1865, Barbados; d. Feb. 4, 1922, Vancouver. Came to Vancouver in 1885 and became a regular at English Bay, teaching children to swim. Appointed Vancouver's first official lifeguard in 1901; credited with saving more than 100 lives. Lived in a cottage near the Alexandra Park bandstand. In 1986, the Vancouver Historical Society named him Citizen of the Century. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_F.htm	English Bay. Joe Fortes Library on Denman St and memorial fountain in Alexandra Park.	Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
Leonard Juda Frank	Master photographer b. July 3, 1870, Berne, Germany; d. Feb. 23, 1944, Vancouver. A Jewish immigrant, he came seeking gold, arriving in Victoria in 1894. Served as postmaster in Port Alberni (1903-17). Began taking pictures with a crude camera won in a mining camp raffle. Moved to Vancouver to become its leading industrial and commercial photographer with a shop and lab at 553 Granville. His logging photos are judged the best ever taken; his photos of Vancouver people and places are "an impressive visual record ... between wars." Took more than 33,000 of the photos in the Vancouver Public Library historic collection. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_F.htm	Photographs/negatives in City of Vancouver Archives, VPL and Jewish Archives.	Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
H. L. Freese	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
J. A. Gillis	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Jessie Gordon	Founder of Crofton House School, assisted by her sisters, Edith and Mary	Crofton School area, 51st & Blenheim.	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Helena Gutteridge	Suffragette b. c. 1880, London, Eng.; d. Oct. 3, 1960, Vancouver. "Feminist, trade unionist, tailor, socialist, politician." Immigrated to B.C. in 1911. Organized B.C. Women's Suffrage League. Her interest in the working class woman led to trade union activities. Soon took a leading role on Vancouver Trades and Labor Council. Joined the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF). In 1937, she was elected Vancouver's first woman alderman. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_G.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	
Thomas Haggart	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886	Note: Haggart Street named 1954 after Andrew Weemys Haggart, Chief City Building Inspector.			

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Ida Halpern	<p>Musicologist b. July 17, 1910, Vienna, Austria; d. Feb. 7, 1987, Vancouver. Immigrated with chemist husband Georg to Vancouver in 1939. A force on the local music scene, she was the first person to study the music of West Coast Indians. Produced four albums of First Nations' songs. Director of the Academy of Music. Province music critic (1952-57). Member, Order of Canada (1978). http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_H.htm</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
J. B. Harker	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
R. A. Harkness	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
James Hartney	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
H. Hemlow	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
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Oliver M. Hocking	<p>Hotelier In 1858, in partnership with Fred Houston, he built the Brighton Hotel at what is now the foot of Windermere St., with a floating wharf for bathers. Three stages stopped daily, and a coachman announced arrivals with a bugle blast. Mill workers and loggers used the wharf en route to mills along Burrard Inlet. On March 1, 1866, he was appointed deputy collector of customs at Burrard Inlet, making it possible for captains to fill out their papers without walking through the woods to New Westminster. In March 1869, the partners sold the hotel to Maxie Michaud. "Hocking's" could be considered the first name for what became Vancouver. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_H.htm</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person	
John Innes	<p>Painter. c.1863-1941. He painted and worked as a commercial artist in Vancouver from 1913 until his death in 1941, in addition to his fine art painting career. He had a one-man exhibition at the Hotel Vancouver in 1915, showing sixteen canvasses in an exhibition titled "Chunks of the Western Epic". He also exhibited with the B.C. Society of Fine Artists, the Ontario Society of Artists, the Royal Canadian Academy, and at the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exhibition in St. Louis. He also designed the posters for the 1919 Victory Loan campaign in British Columbia.</p> <p>See: http://www.sim-publishing.com/demo-ji.htm</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person	
W. Irvine	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				

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Kavanaugh	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
H. E. Langis	M.D. (?), Early Vancouver pioneer. Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/chronology1936.htm				
Henry Larsen	c.1899-1961. Commander of <i>St Roch</i> in first northwest passage (1940-42). See: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_Larsen_(explorer)	The Canadian Coast Guard named an icebreaker, the CCGS Henry Larsen, to honour Larsen. Also Henry Larsen Elementary School, Ottawa.	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Lily Laverock	First woman general reporter on a Vancouver newspaper. Theatrical impresario. b Edinburgh, Scotland, 14 Jun 1880, d Vancouver 2 Dec 1969. She emigrated to Canada in the 1890s with her family and attended McGill University College (Vancouver) and later McGill University. A founding member of the University Women's Club (1907) and the Vancouver branch of the Canadian Women's Press Club (1909), she became a reporter for the Vancouver World (1910) and later women's editor for the News-Advertiser (ca 1918). She was the first woman in Vancouver to become a general reporter. By 1921 she had begun to work as an impresario, and in the succeeding years brought to the city, through her International Celebrity Concerts, such figures as Geraldine Farrar, Jascha Heifetz, Fritz Kreisler, Nellie Melba, John McCormack, Benno Moiseivitsch, and Sergei Rachmaninoff, and such ensembles as the Don Cossack Singers and the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo - an effort which made a profound contribution to the musical life of Vancouver. Laverock temporarily suspended her concert sponsorship at the beginning of World War II and retired in the early 1950s. http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.com/articles/emc/lily-laverock		Yes	Noteworthy person	
John Leask	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Robert Gordon McBeath	22 December 1898 - 9 October 1922. Born in Kinlochbervie, Sutherland was a Scottish recipient of the Victoria Cross, the highest and most prestigious medal that can be awarded to members of British military forces. Following the end of World War I McBeath married and emigrated to Canada where he was killed in the line of duty while working as a police officer in Vancouver, British Columbia. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert_McBeath	A Vancouver Police Marine vessel is named the R.C. McBeath VC in honour of Robert McBeath, as is a housing development, McBeath Court, in his home town of Kinlochbervie.	Yes	Noteworthy person	

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Tommy McGrath	<p>1927-1996. Born in Saint John, New Brunswick, Tom McGrath had a long and distinguished career in the labour movement. He was active in a Canadian Seamen's Union strike in South Africa in 1949. He was a delegate to the founding convention of the West Coast Seamen's Union which replaced the disbanded CSU on the West Coast. After the collapse of the Second Narrows Bridge in Vancouver in June, 1958, he refused to take his men back to work, was dismissed by the International Association of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Ironworkers Union, and organized the Canadian Ironworkers Local No. 1 and became its Secretary. He was President of Local 400, Seamen's Section of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway, Transport and General Workers, 1970-1982, as well as serving as an Inspector for the International Transport Federation in Vancouver. He served as National Vice-President for the CBRT in Ottawa for 12 years and became President of the Canadian Merchant Navy Association in 1990. He died in 1996 after a prolonged battle with cancer. See: http://www.library.ubc.ca/spcoll/AZ/inventories/rescolm.html</p>	Papers in UBC Special Collections	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Sara Ann McLagan	<p>Sara Anne McLagan (née Maclure) First Canadian woman newspaper editor b. 1855, near Belfast, Ire.; d. March 20, 1924, Vancouver. Her father, Sergeant John C. Maclure, came to New Westminster in 1858 with the Royal Engineers. Sara was educated in New Westminster. A co-founder of Vancouver Daily World with husband James C. McLagan. After his death, she continued as president and editor, publishing with brother Frederick S. Maclure (b. c. 1864, New Westminster; d. Nov. 25, 1941, Iona Island, B.C.).</p> <p>See also: http://www.biographi.ca/EN/009004-119.01-e.php?id_nbr=8263</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person	

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Harvey Reginald MacMillan	Lumber magnate b. Sept. 9, 1885, Newmarket, Ont.; d. Feb. 9, 1976, Vancouver. Attended Ontario Agricultural College and Yale Forestry School. In 1908, hired as assistant inspector, Western Canada forest reserves, but spent two years in a TB sanitorium. In 1912, named chief B.C. forester. During WWI, worked for federal timber-trade commissioner and Imperial Munitions Board. In 1919, backed by British timber merchant Montague Meyer, launched H.R. MacMillan Export. His manager (later partner) was W.J. VanDusen. During WWII, chair of Wartime Shipping Ltd., a Crown corporation. LL.D (UBC, 1950). Merged with Bloedel, Stewart and Welch (1951). Resigned as chair in 1956; resigned as a director in 1970. Biblio: H.R. by Ken Drushka. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_M.htm	H.R. MacMillan Space Centre (Vanier Park) and H.R. MacMillan Building (UBC).	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Joseph Mannion	Unofficial first mayor of Vancouver b. March 17, 1839, County Mayo, Ire.; d. Sept. 12, 1918, Lillooet, B.C. Left priestly studies to hunt for gold in the Cariboo, arriving in New Westminster on April 19, 1862. From 1864, worked as a stevedore, telegraph company employee, miner and logger. In 1874, bought a half interest in the Granville Hotel (later sole proprietor). In 1881, his two sons drowned when their canoe was swamped on English Bay. Known as "the mayor of Granville" before the first official mayor, M.A. MacLean, was elected. Elected alderman (1888) but resigned and moved to 160 acres on Bowen Island. "Settled into the life of a country squire." Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_M.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	
Charles Marega	First professional B.C. sculptor b. Sept. 24, 1871, Genoa, Italy; d. March 27, 1939, Vancouver. Arrived in Vancouver in 1909. In addition to sculpting, he also taught art. His work can still be seen in Vancouver, including a statue of Captain Vancouver at City Hall and twin lions at the south end of Lions Gate Bridge. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_M.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	

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Ranjit Mattu	(1916-1989) Ranjit Mattu Star athlete b. July 17, 1916, Jullunder, Punjab, India; d. March 23, 1989, Malibu, Calif. Came to Vancouver in 1924. The "Gretsky of his time." Graduated with a BA from UBC as a star athlete in rugby and football. He coached Canadian high school football and later jr. football (to 1949). His team, The Vancouver Blue Bombers, were the Dominion Champions of 1947, the first such championship won by Vancouver. Joined his father's firm, Best Fuels; later established various business interests including Ocean City Sawmills (renamed Hemfir Lumber) on Mitchell Island. A community leader, he was Indian Prime Minister Pandit Nehru's organizer and host when Nehru visited B.C. in 1949. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_M.htm See also: http://multiculturalcanada.ca/node/15015		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
Donald Menzies	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Maximillian Michaud	Maxie (Maximillian) Michaud Hotelier, early French pioneer b. c. 1874, Point Levis, Que.; d. June 1, 1960, Langley, B.C. Walked across Canada to the Pacific. Bought the Brighton Hotel (located at the foot of today's Windermere St. in Vancouver) in March 1869 from Oliver Hocking (see bio). Changed name to Hastings Hotel, promising "Travellers can be accommodated at all hours with good beds and meals. A good stock of liquors and cigars." It became a popular spot with holidayers from New Westminster. He was "not exactly married" to his companion, Frisadie, who "charms all sojourners at the 'End of the Road.'" http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_M.htm	Early resident in New Brighton Park area	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Masumi Mitsui	(1890-1997) WWI hero b. Oct. 7, 1887, Japan; d. April 22, 1987, Vancouver. One of 196 local Japanese residents who volunteered for WWI. Of these, 145 men were killed or wounded. After leading his troop up Vimy Ridge, Sergeant Mitsui received the Military Medal for Bravery (April 1917), one of 12 Japanese to receive the honor in WWI. In 1942, his family was moved from their seven-hectare Port Coquitlam chicken farm and new house to an internment camp in Greenwood, B.C. In August 1985, Masumi was the honored guest at the relighting of the lantern in the Japanese Canadian War Memorial (built in 1925) in Stanley Park. The light was extinguished during the Pacific war. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_M.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	

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Alexander Murison	Early resident. Arrived in Collingwood area c. 1910.	Name added to list by SNC at request of family.			
F. A. Nicholson	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
J. G. Nicolson	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
David Oppenheimer	(c.1831-1897) Mayor 1888-1891 b. Jan. 1, 1832 Bleiskastel, Germany; d. Dec. 31, 1897 Germany; arrived Vancouver 1860; d. Dec. 1897, Vancouver. Often called the "father" of Vancouver, this wealthy entrepreneur believed public works operations belonged to the taxpayers. During the election campaign of 1888 he promised a skeptical electorate its own water service, public transportation and sewage system. Within two years, by 1890, streetcars were running along city streets and a water connection from the Capilano River had been installed. Oppenheimer personally paid the water fees, and liberally donated money for the construction of Alexandra Orphanage and the YMCA. He also donated land for city parks including East Park (later Exhibition Park, now Hastings Park, home for years to the PNE). The second-largest landowner in Vancouver after the Canadian Pacific Railway, Mayor Oppenheimer fostered industrial development when he donated land for B.T. Rogers to build a sugar refinery, the first manufacturing operation in the city. He established the B.C. Electric Railway Company (now B.C. Hydro). Part of the alternative to the West Side, CPR-affiliated business elite led by William Templeton, David Oppenheimer was acclaimed mayor in two of his four single-year terms of office. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_mayors.htm#2	Oppenheimer Park and David Oppenheimer Elementary School named after him. David Oppenheimer statue at the entrance to Stanley Park.	Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
Peter Basil Pantages	(c.1901-1971) Polar Bear Club founder b. Nov. 15, 1901, Andros, Greece; d. May 4, 1971, Hawaii. Ran the Peter Pan Cafe with his three brothers from the early 1920s. Founder (1920) and director (for 51 years) of the Polar Bear swimming club, promoting New Year's Day outdoor swimming. Member, Canadian Restaurant Association. An ardent fisherman; member of Canadian Wildlife Association and Royal Lifeguard Association. He swam every day, no matter where he travelled. Son Basil remains president of the Polar Bear Club.		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	

Name	Biographical information / Background	Notes / Geographical connection, if known	Criteria Yes/No	Criteria	Name accepted for Reserve List
Partridge	James Lloyd and Ruby Margaret - local actors PARTRIDGE -- James Lloyd passed away suddenly on March 30, 1999 at the age of 78 while working as a performer on a film set. He is survived by his beloved wife of 57 years, Ruby; his sister Maureen in England and his brother Noel of Huntsville, Ontario; his children: son James Robert (Lynda), son Peter William (Sandra), son Gordon Thomas (Wendy) and daughter Patricia Maureen RICKETTS (Wayne). "Poppa" will also be deeply missed by his grandchildren: Lisa, Deanna, Michelle, Braden, Jillian and Andrew and his many nieces and nephews. The entire extended Partridge family and Jim's multitude of friends know his life was one to be celebrated as exceptional; a talented son, an airman, a cook extraordinaire, a writer, an actor, a nature-lover, an executive, a star-gazer, bird watcher, gardener -- but most of all a warm, happy husband and, as he referred to himself, "D.O.S.O.D., a dear old sweet old Dad". A memorial service will be held Wednesday, April 7 at 2 p.m. at Mount Seymour United Church, 1200 Parkgate Avenue (off Mount Seymour Parkway) in North Vancouver. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society. Vancouver Sun 3 April 1999.		Yes	Noteworthy person	
J. L. Quackenbush	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Colin Rankin	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Harry Rankin	Long-serving City of Vancouver Councillor. See also: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harry_Rankin	Lived at 3570 Hull Street, East Van, near Trout Lake	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Connie Fogal (Rankin)	Former wife of Harry; community activist. See also: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Connie_Fogal	Lived at 3570 Hull Street, East Van, near Trout Lake	Yes	Noteworthy person	
F. M. Rattenbury	(c.1867-1935) Architect of Provincial legislature building, Empress Hotel and Vancouver Court House (now Vancouver Art Gallery). See also: http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/archives_rattenbury.htm	Lived in Oak Bay, Vancouver Island	Yes	Noteworthy person	
J. Rooney	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				

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Yip Sang	<p>(aka Yip Chun Tien) Chinatown pioneer b. Sept. 6, 1845, Canton, China; d. July 21, 1927, Vancouver. An orphan, he sailed at 19 by junk from Hong Kong to San Francisco's gold rush. Worked 17 years as dishwasher, cook, cigar maker. Came to Canada in 1881, settling in Vancouver's Chinatown. Established Wing Sang Co. (1888). In early 1900s, as a CPR contractor, supplied laborers in B.C. and Alberta and sold rail and steam tickets. In 1889, built Wing Sang Building (51-67 E. Pender), the oldest standing structure in Chinatown. Married Lee Shee in China (1886). After her death, he remarried three times. His family included 19 sons and 4 daughters, and is now in its seventh generation in B.C. Father of Kew Ghim Yip and Yip Mow (b. 1890 on Chinese New Year, Canton, China; d. Nov. 17, 1951, Vancouver), who took over his father's business. Yip Mow chaired the Vancouver branch of the Chinese Nationalist League. Chiang Kai-Shek sent a message of condolence on his death. Biblio: Biography of Yip Sang by the Yip Sang Family. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_S.htm</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
Joseph Silvey	<p>Portuguese Joe, an early settler. See: Jean Barman, <i>The Remarkable Adventures of Portuguese Joe Silvey</i>, 2004.</p>	Stanley Park / Coal Harbour	Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
Frederick William Sentell	<p>Frederick William Sentell, one of Vancouver's earlier Aldermen and the builder of Vancouver's first city hall at 100 Powell Street also built many homes in what is now known as Strathcona.</p> <p>Frederick William Sentell was born in St. John, New Brunswick on May 31, 1858, the son of Edward Sentell and Margaret Blair. He came to Vancouver around 1887. Frederick William Sentell died on January 22, 1951 at the age of 92 and is buried in the Old Section of Mountain View Cemetery. Alice Sentell died on October 14, 1956 at the age of 83 and is buried with her husband. Their son is buried in the Old section of Mountain View Cemetery in plot 1/02/024/0012. See Mountain View Cemetery site: http://vancouver.ca/commsvcs/nonmarketoperations/mountainview/inte-resting/sentell.htm</p>	Strathcona	Yes	Noteworthy person	

Name	Biographical information / Background	Notes / Geographical connection, if known	Criteria Yes/No	Criteria	Name accepted for Reserve List
Gordon Shrum	<p>First SFU chancellor b. June 14, 1896, Smithville, Ont.; d. June 20, 1985, Vancouver. Grew up on a farm. Attended Hamilton Collegiate with Lester Pearson. Fought at Passchendale. Graduate, U. of T (BA, math, 1920; PhD, 1923). At 29, crossed Canada in a Model T to teach at UBC. Head of UBC physics department (1938-61); dean of graduate studies (1956-61). As SFU chancellor (1962-68), pushed through construction of "Berkeley North" in 18 months. Forced to retire at 65, he chaired the B.C. Energy Board under W.A.C. Bennett. Oversaw projects such as Vancouver Museum/Planetarium complex, the courthouse, and waterfront convention centre. OBE (1946); LL.D (UBC, 1961); Order of Canada (1967). http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_S.htm See also: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gordon_Shrum</p>	<p>Gordon Shrum Common Block, Place Vanier, UBC, named after him.</p>	Yes	Noteworthy person	
John Strathern	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
Erwin Swangard	<p>Sports reporter, PNE president b. May 11, 1908, Munich, Germany; d. May 5, 1993, Vancouver. Emigrated to Canada in 1930. As a freelance sports reporter, covered the 1936 Olympic Games. Province foreign editor for five years (. 1944-49). Worked his way up in Vancouver Sun; appointed managing editor (March 1959). Founded Tournament of Soccer Champions for juvenile soccer. Promoted British Empire and Commonwealth Games in Vancouver (1954) and first Grey Cup final outside Toronto (1955). One of seven founders of B.C. Lions. Raised almost \$1 million to build Swangard Stadium, opened in 1969. "Mr. PNE" was appointed president in January 1977, a position held for 13 consecutive annual terms. Member, Order of Canada (1989). http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_S.htm</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person	
Georgia Sweney	<p>Georgia Sweney Hastings Mill's first teacher. d. Sept. 4, 1940, Santa Paulo, Calif. Graduate of girl's seminary in Victoria. An accomplished musician and artist, her admirers noted that she could also "milk a cow." Her pencil sketches are in the Vancouver City Archives. Taught classes at Hastings Mill School in 1872. The school was also used as a city church. Taught until 1872, when she left for San Francisco. Married John Franklin Cummings in the early 1880s. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_S.htm</p>		Yes	Noteworthy person	

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Lilian To	(- 2005) Tireless and passionate advocate for newcomers as CEO of SUCCESS. See also: http://www.straight.com/article/lilian-to-honoured-and http://www.successbc.ca/eng/component/option,com_mtree/task,viewlink/link_id,113/Itemid,26/		Yes	Noteworthy person Celebrates diversity	
Col. Tracey	Early engineer, bridge builder				
Witford Julian VanDusen	(July 18, 1889 - December 15, 1978) Lumber mgnate and philanthropist. Established Vancouver Foundation. Donated land for VanDusen Gardens. He established the Vancouver Foundation. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Whitford_Julian_VanDusen	The VanDusen Botanical Garden in Vancouver was named after VanDusen.	Yes	Noteworthy person	
Jack Wasserman	Columnist b. Feb. 17, 1927, Winnipeg, Man.; d. April 6, 1977, Vancouver. Came to Vancouver in 1935. Dropped out of law school to take reporter's job with Ubysey. Graduated from UBC (1949); joined Vancouver Sun, becoming a police reporter. His biggest scoop was the sordid death of Errol Flynn in a West End apartment. Longtime gossip and self-described "saloon reporter" columnist. Hosted an open line program with CJOR; later hosted Hourglass on CBC TV. Fired by the Sun (1967) for hosting his radio show but rehired 18 months later. A governor of the National Film Board. Died of a heart attack while speaking at the Hotel Vancouver during a roast for Gordon Gibson Sr. http://www.vancouverhistory.ca/whoswho_W.htm		Yes	Noteworthy person	
James E. Wise	Signer of petition to incorporate Vancouver in 1886				
George Woodcock	Poet, historian, biographer, editor (Canadian Literature). (May 8, 1912 - January 28, 1995) See also: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Woodcock	George Woodcock Lifetime Achievement Award honours an outstanding literary career in British Columbia	Yes	Noteworthy person	

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2. Names of Plants

Name	Biographical information / Background	Notes / Geographical connection, if known	Criteria Yes/No	Criteria
Apple			No	Not native flora
Catalpa		Need to verify if native to BC		
Elder / Elderberry				
Filbert				
Hornbeam				
Katsura				
Locust				
Madrone				
Pear				
Plane				
Plum				
Silk				
Snowbell				
Zelkova				

3. Names of Places etc.

Name	Biographical information / Background	Notes / Geographical connection, if known	Criteria Yes/No	Criteria
Lebanon	No information on source of name		Yes	Celebrates diversity
Marsh	No information on source of name	False Creek area.		
Patriarch Way	No information on source of name	Near Greek Orthodox Church.	Yes	Celebrates diversity
Marine Boilermakers Way		Commemorate industrial history of Southeast False Creek area.	Yes	Commemorates history/places
Sea Foam	No information on source of name			
Ararat	Historic mountain and symbol of Armenia	Name to be used for new street, avenue or boulevard near Armenian Community Centre and Church at Granville Street and 67th Avenue	Yes	Celebrates diversity
Barcelona	To honour the historical and cultural ties between the two cities, both of which are Olympic cities.	Request from Catalan Association, n.d.	Yes	Celebrates diversity
Yokohama	Sister City		Yes	Celebrates diversity
Guangzhou	Sister City		Yes	Celebrates diversity
Los Angeles	Sister City		Yes	Celebrates diversity
Odessa	Sister City		Yes	Celebrates diversity

Name	Biographical information / Background	Notes / Geographical connection, if known	Criteria Yes/No	Criteria	Name accepted for Reserve List
Edinburgh	Sister City.	Already an existing small street in NE Vancouver	No	Duplicates an existing Street	

Civic Asset Naming Committee - Names submitted by public for Civic Asset Name Reserve List (2012-05-07)

	Name and Background		Where this name should be used			Criteria Yes/No	Criteria	Name accepted for Reserve List	Response to Person Submitting
	Suggested Name	Why this is a good name to use or background info about this name:	This name should be used for:	Details/Other:	The best location(s) for this name:				
1	Haugh	A. J. (Bus) Haugh lead the women's basketball team of the YMCA to two national titles in the 20's, he was a professional baseball player in the 30's and he was in charge of the fitness of the Canadian troops in WW2. He helped to raise money for Nat Bailey Stadium. Names of streets should be for pillars of the community from the past that helped to make Vancouver the great city and when the world called he did his duty.	Street		West side of Vancouver	Yes	Noteworthy Person		
2	Kather	Kathleen Kather was the first female lifeguard in British Columbia, she was born and raised at the Roedde house in the west end of Vancouver, she trained with the Group of Seven as a painter and worked at the Woodward's building as a teenager. Being the first female lifeguard in British Columbia is more than reason enough to name a street after her. It shows throughout the history of Vancouver we have been on the cutting edge of social change and acceptance.	Street		West side of Vancouver or the West End	Yes	Noteworthy Person		
3	Occupy	The Occupy movement as a whole has completely changed the public discourse around social services, taxation, government spending, corruption, and corporate collusion. The Vancouver chapter specifically altered the primary topics of discussion in the media for months. (Check the business-, economy-, and government-related headlines 6 months prior, and the 6 months since.) Their dedication to feeding, housing, and engaging with the homeless, changing the nature of our interactions as citizens, and unfaltering optimism and hope in their fellow human being should be commemorated and celebrated.	Street Place Building	Naming a place or building after Occupy would give the appearance of a sort of endorsement that has not occurred	Downtown	Yes	Commemorates event		
4	Rick Hansen	Rick Hansen is a classy, quality individual who has worked tirelessly for over 25 years to improve the quality of life for people with spinal cord injuries and raise money for spinal cord research. He is such an inspiration to people of all ages with spinal cord injuries that it brings tears to my eyes. He is unique. He is a magnificent role model and a bright, unwavering beacon of hope to children, adolescents, and adults who face what they think are insurmountable challenges.	Anything	If it's a street it should, of course, have sidewalks that are fully wheelchair accessible	Anywhere	Yes	Noteworthy Person		
5	Saskatchewan	As you're aware, there are many streets with names of Canadian provinces in Vancouver. There's Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, and Quebec. And then there's Scotia, Brunswick, and a Prince Edward. And even a Yukon (and a 'Columbia!'). Seems obvious there should be a Saskatchewan Street too. There are many transplanted flat-landers living here (such as me) who have contributed to the success and growth of the city. Seems obvious (and fair!) the name Saskatchewan should no longer be overlooked on the city's streets...!	Street	[Saskatchewn Avenue existed in Vancouver/Point Grey (1908-1914) is now West 72nd Ave., between Granville + Selkirk Streets. See Walker, p110.]	Mt Pleasant	Yes	Commemorate history		
6	Andy Slobodian	As far as I know, the Canada Line bridge over the Fraser is as yet un-named. I suggest "Andy Slobodian Bridge," after the kid who was killed working on it 21 Jan 2008.	Bridge	Canada Line Bridge over Fraser		No	The Canada Line Bridge is not a City asset.		
7	Lauren S. Harris	Iconic Canadian artist. He influenced the lives and careers of many in B.C. including Emily Carr, E.J. Hughes, B.C. Binning, Gordon Smith and Authur Ericson. A prominent and proud resident of Vancouver from 1940 until his death in 1970.	Anything		Anywhere	Yes	Noteworthy Person		



CIVIC ASSET NAMING COMMITTEE
Thursday, July 5, 2012

Agenda Item No: 6 (a)

Civic Asset Naming Request: Naming of Public Street near Granville Street and West 70th Avenue

The Westbank Projects Corp. development at Granville Street and West 70th Avenue includes the creation of a new public/private lane, entering off West 70th Avenue.

Staff comments:

City staff reviewed the situation and decided that both public and private portions of the lane should have the same name.

The street name and street type suggested by the developer: "Lauren Mews", does not meet the City's criteria. The proposed name "Lauren" sounds too similar to "Laurel" and "Laurie", which are names used more than once in Metro Vancouver. The street type "mews" is not appropriate as it is meant for non-vehicular traffic with residential units arranged around an open space, but street type "lane", which is any street less than 10.06 metres in width, would be an appropriate street type.

Attachment: Plan showing public and private street name in Lots A & B. Both of Block 7, D.L. 325, Plan BCP 50382.

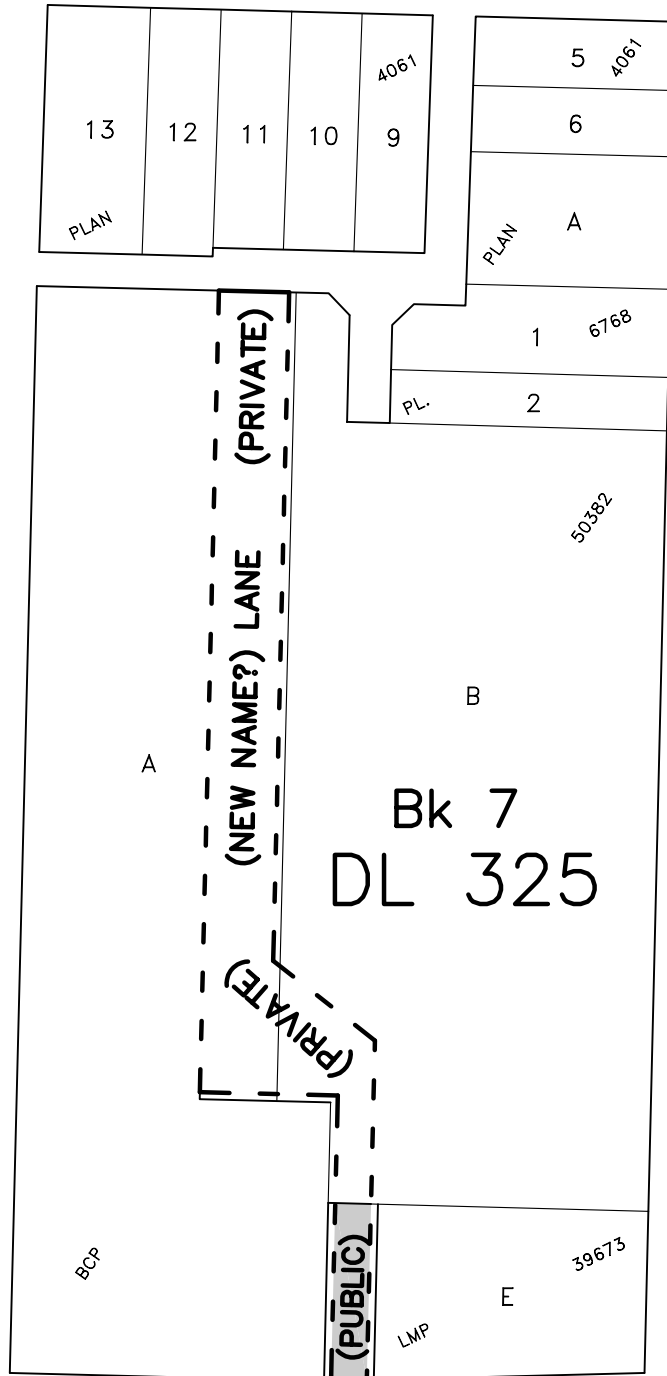
PLAN SHOWING PUBLIC & PRIVATE STREET NAME IN LOTS A & B, BOTH OF BLOCK 7, D.L. 325, PLAN BCP 50382.

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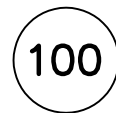
WEST 68TH AVENUE



CORNISH STREET



GRANVILLE STREET



WEST 70TH AVENUE



CIVIC ASSET NAMING COMMITTEE
Thursday, July 5, 2012

Agenda Item No: 6(b)

Civic Asset Naming Request: Naming of a Public Street joining South West Marine Drive and West 64th Avenue and situated between Cambie Street and Yukon Street.

The Intercorp development at 499 South West Marine Drive includes the creation of a new public lane, joining South West Marine Drive and West 64th Avenue.

Staff comments:

The street names and street type suggested by the developer: "Eburne Mews", "Maple Leaf Mews" and "Marine Landing Mews" do not meet the City's criteria. The proposed name "Eburne" duplicates Eburne Way in Richmond and, in addition, the name Eburne is commemorated in Vancouver's Eburne Park at 950 West 71st Avenue. "Maple Leaf Mews" sounds too similar to many other streets in Metro Vancouver such as Maple Street (Vancouver and New Westminster), Maple Crescent (Vancouver), and Maple Road (Richmond), etc. "Marine Landing Mews" sounds too similar to many streets in Metro Vancouver such as Marine Drive, Marine Crescent, and Marine Way.

The street type "mews" is not appropriate as it is meant for non-vehicular traffic with residential units arranged around an open space, but street type "lane", which is any street less than 10.06 metres in width, would be an appropriate street type.

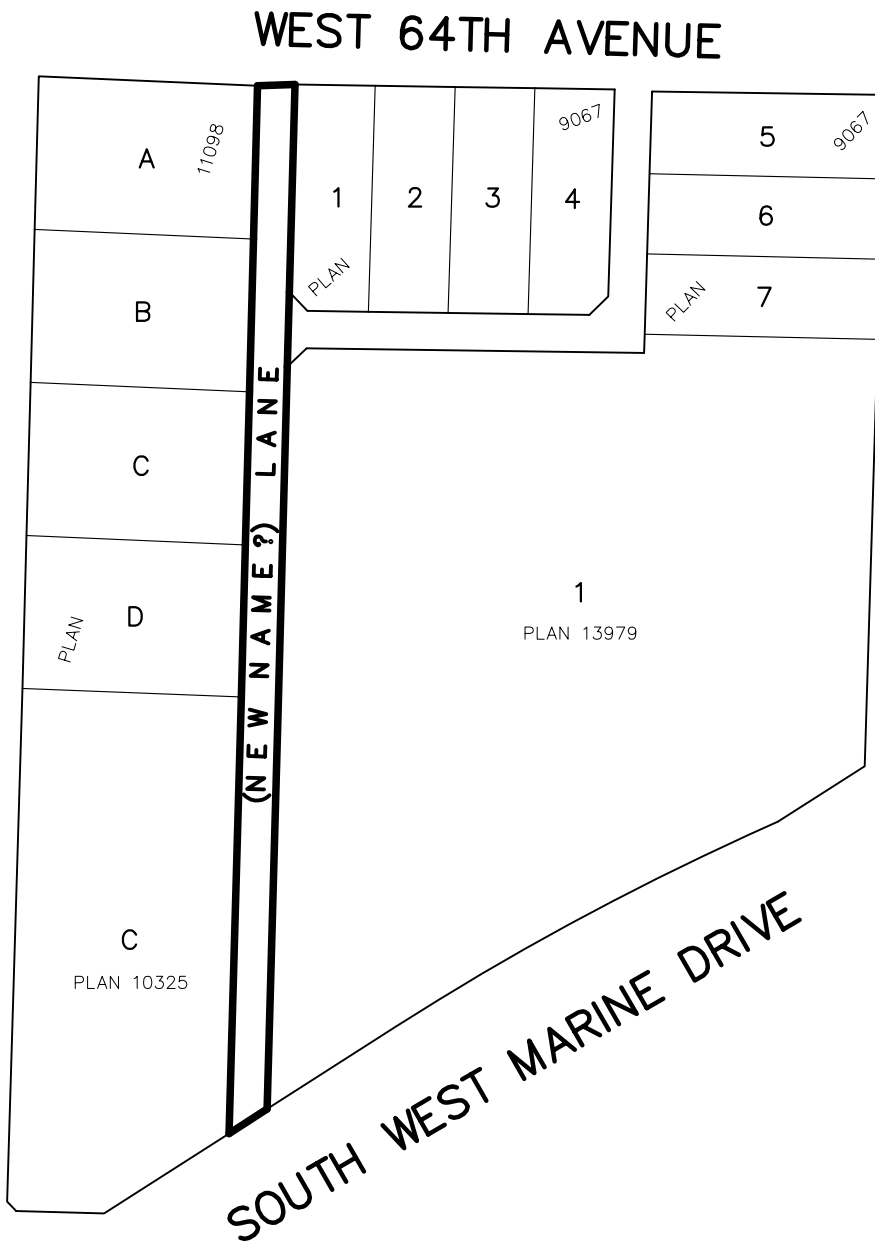
Attachment: Plan to Accompany a By-Law to Amend Street Name By-Law No. 4054.

PLAN TO ACCOMPANY A BY-LAW TO AMEND STREET NAME BY-LAW No. 4054

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CAMBIE STREET





CIVIC ASSET NAMING COMMITTEE
Thursday, July 5, 2012

Agenda Item No: 6(c)

Civic Asset Naming Request: Renaming of Fraser Street to Rizal Street.

The Confederation of Filipino Canadian Associations requested, in a letter dated October 25, 2011, to the former Street Naming Committee, that Fraser Street be renamed Rizal Street, after Dr. Jose P. Rizal, noted Philippine national hero. This request has been brought forward to the Civic Asset Naming Committee.

Staff comments:

The renaming of City streets has a considerable impact on the residents and businesses located on the renamed street as they are faced with significant effort and expense for notifications and updates of all personal and business records containing the street name. Substantial taxpayer expense would also be incurred for the replacement of street signs and updates to City records, databases, maps, and registries. For these reasons, the renaming of City streets is not included in the Terms of Reference for the Civic Asset Naming Committee.

Should the Committee feel there is merit in the request to have a city asset, or specifically a city street, named after Jose P. Rizal, the Committee may pass a motion to have the name added to the Civic Asset Name Reserve List.

Attachment: Letter dated October 25, 2011, from the Confederation of Filipino Canadian Associations.



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Vancouver, October 25, 2011

The City Clerk
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Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the **Confederation of Filipino Canadian Associations** composed of 5 major Filipino seniors organizations, we are appealing for your strong support and assistance in carrying a monumental motion.

In 1910, Fraser Street which was originally named North Arm Road, was renamed after a great Explorer and Fur Trader, Simon Fraser.

In recent years, it has become clear that our city streets network, while graced by the names of scores of Explorers and Traders, has not included names representing communities of non-Caucasian descent. Our city grow and changes over time to conform with modern-day-appeal. Part of that process may involve changing the street names to include names representing communities of non-Caucasian descent. The further back in time one goes, the greater the chance that the street be re-named.

Fraser Street is a family oriented neighborhood with 86,047 residents, once home for German and Polish immigrants, today its residents are South Asian majority. Although historically, Fraser had a large European population, locals are much more likely to be of South Asian heritage today. Fraser Street population has higher than average Chinese and East Indian communities as well as exploding growing Filipino community.

Vancouver's ethnic diversity is one of the primary contributions to the unique character of the city. The city is the second largest in Canada with a high percentage of visible minority and immigrant population. Asians are by far the largest visible minority demographics with nearly 94, 100 Filipinos reside in the Greater Vancouver. The Asian population exploded in the past decade, accounting for 52 percent of the City's growth.

On behalf of Fraser Street residents, business owners and organizations in Vancouver, British Columbia, specifically the Asian-Canadians, WE, the **Confederation of Filipino Canadian Associations** strongly petition to rename Fraser Street in Vancouver to *Rizal Street* in honour of renowned Philippine National hero, Dr. Jose P. Rizal on the following premises;

- (1) This petition is neither to disrespect Mr. Simon Fraser nor dishonour his memory but to honour the foremost and national hero of the Philippines in the City of Vancouver;
- (2) It will provide a great such recognition for Rizal whose life was cut short by political upheavals in the Philippines by the end of the 19th century and such a great honour rekindle the patriotism of the more than 94,100 Canadian-Filipinos in Greater Vancouver;

- (3) The lack of a "significant symbol" to honour the still growing population of Filipino community's contributions to the city of Vancouver greatly reinforces our petition and naming a street in honour of Rizal is an opportunity to propel the change we'd like to see in the city;
- (4) That 37 places named honouring Mr. Fraser in the province such as Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, Fraser River, Simon Fraser Bridge in Prince George, Fraser Highway, Fraser Red Rose plus numerous neighbourhoods, roads, schools, et al. will not diminish the former memory even Fraser Street be renamed Rizal Street;
- (5) Inspiring heroism and humanity displayed by so many Filipinos and exemplified by the brave action of Rizal, his name will forever leave its mark in the street to be named in his honour;
- (6) To honour Rizal's heroism, his integrity, his sacrifices, his wisdom, his bravery, not just a hero but also a role-model to everyone, who contributed to the quality of life and destiny of a nation;

"APPROPRIATENESS OF THE PROPOSED HONOREE"

(See Enclosures "A")

- (7) Most of us knows Dr. Jose Rizal as the highly educated hero disclosing the unseemly system of the Spanish colonial rule in the in the Philippines and prompted Filipinos to fight for their freedom through his notable fearless books "*Noli Me Tangere and El Filibusterismo*";
- (8) A versatile genius, he was an architect, artist, businessman, cartoonist, educator, economist, ethnologist, scientific farmer, historian, inventor, journalist, linguist, musician, mythologist, nationalist, naturalist, ophthalmic surgeon, painter, physician-surgeon, poet, propagandist, psychologist, scientist, sculptor, sociologist and theologian, and an expert swordsman;
- (9) While in Europe, in the hope of securing political and social reforms for his country, Rizal published several works with highly nationalistic and revolutionary tendencies. Because of his fearless exposures of the injustices committed by the civil and clerical officials, Rizal provoked the animosity of those in power;
- (10) Having traveled extensively in Europe, America and Asia, he mastered 22 languages. These include Arabic, Catalan, Chinese, English, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Malayan, Portuguese, Russian, Sanskrit, Spanish, Tagalog and other native dialects;
- (11) Dr. Jose Rizal was a real hero to the Filipino people catapulting to martyrdom, who was executed in Bagumbayan, Philippines by the Spaniards on December 30, 1896;
- (12) That Vancouver City streets belonging to all of its' residents and honouring Jose Rizal by re-naming Fraser Street would give future residents and Filipino-Canadians the pride on the street where they live and pass through;

- (13) Rizal is worthy of this recognition for his toil using non-violent means to provide freedom and equality for all;
- (14) The street renaming process puts equality and justice into action. Let's celebrate diversity, good will and include the richness of other cultures;
- (15) Rizal is a hero and an influential, well liked, respected champion who is worthy of emulation by any culture;
- (16) His name is globally known and diversity relevance, that had withstand the test of time;

“HISTORICALLY IMPORTANT PERSONAGES”

(See Enclosures “B”)

- (17) His sincerity and friendliness won him the trust and confidence even by those assigned to guard him during his imprisonment, his good manners and warm personality were found irresistible by all races with whom he had personal contacts, his intelligence and humility gained him the respect and admiration of prominent men of other nations while his undaunted courage and determination to uplift the welfare of his people were feared by his enemies;
- (18) In his prison cell, he wrote an untitled poem, now as “Mi Ultimo Adios” which is considered a masterpiece and a living documents expressing not only the hero's great love of country that endeared him to the hearts of Filipinos;
- (19) Rizal, a versatile genius, was a fearless writer of *Noli Me Tangere* and *El Filibusterismo*— 2 books exposing the unacceptable treatment of the Spaniards towards the Filipino people causing him to be imprisoned;
- (20) Rizal heroically served his country and dedicated his life in public service, and became a patriot after his execution.
- (19) His legacy of heroism echoed national and international awareness;
- (21) Rizal is remembered because of his heroism throughout the Philippines and hailed around the world for his courageous brilliancy, with resilient resistance to tyranny, and his martyrdom empathy.

“LANDMARKS/MILESTONES”

- (22) Other countries also recognized Rizal's heroism and have chosen to erect monuments in his honour. There are sixty six (65) monuments, landmarks, museum, streets, libraries, erected under Rizal's tribute and honouring him in 45 countries such as, *Madrid, Spain, Wilhelmsfeld, Germany, Jinjiang City, China, Mexico, Lima, Peru, Czech Republic, Australia, London, England, Switzerland, Lithuania, Austria, Belgium, Italy, Argentina, Cuba, Japan, Sri Lanka, Honking, Singapore, Naples, Portugal, Vienna, Marseilles, United States*, et al;
- (23) In the *United States*, Rizal's statue was put up in Chinatown area in *Honolulu, Hawaii* and a street was renamed after him through the strong representation of the *Kauai* Filipino community to commemorate him as a Filipino patriot who inspired upheaval against colonialism in a peaceful manner through ink and pen.

- (24) In *Seattle, Washington*, through the appeal of the Filipino Community, a Dr. Jose Rizal Park was put up. Now, a favourite gathering and picnic spot for members of the Filipino community. Also, in *Seattle*, the Dearborn Bridge which was built in 1911 was renamed Jose Rizal Bridge in honour of the Filipino patriot in 1974. It was the first permanent steel bridge in *Seattle*. He has also a monument in *Juneau, Alaska*.
- (25) In *California*, a Filipino Community worked hard to build a Jose Rizal Community Centre building in *Florin, Sacramento*. Jose Rizal monuments were also erected in *Los Angeles, Monterey Park, West Covina, San Diego* and also a historical landmark in *San Francisco*;
- (26) In *Illinois, Chicago*, there is also a monument of Dr. Jose Rizal and just last month, the *Irving Park Road* was renamed Dr. Jose Rizal Avenue;
- (27) In *New Jersey, New York, Texas* and other American States where a huge influx of Filipinos, existing monuments stand to honour Dr. Jose Rizal.
- (28) A United States destroyer ship was named *USS Rizal*, the only American warship named after a Filipino hero;
- (29) Rizal books including his two famous bold novels, *Noli Me Tangere* and *El Filibusterismo* are on display at United States Library of Congress, the National Library of the United States and the largest around the world. Library of Congress collections comprise the world's most comprehensive record of human creativity and knowledge;
- (30) There is no abating to the continuous outpouring of support to honour the Philippine national hero, Jose Rizal, because no less than in *Australia*, their Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, through the Filipino-Australian community gave A\$120,000 for the initial construction of Jose Rizal Park in *Campbeltown City* while the City Council will provide A\$140,000. Though the first park inaugurated in the *City of Ballarat, State of Victoria* in December 12, 1999 located in the suburb of *Invermay, Ballarat* in honour of Rizal. There is also, a Rizal monument in *Parramatta Road & Orpington, NSW*;
- (31) While in *Madrid, Spain*, several markers, monuments, streets named in honour of Rizal are visible because this is where he studied and finished medicine;
- (32) The first street outside the Philippines renamed in honour of Rizal was *Pfarrgasse* in June 1964 at *Wilhelmfeld, Germany*, where he studied and wrote some of the last chapters of his celebrated work, the *Noli Me Tangere*;
- (33) Rizal's great-great-grandfather was a pure Chinese from the *Fujian Province* of mainland China named Cua Yi-lam from the famous Cua clan who was later named Domingo Lam. Because of his Chinese roots, Rizal statue in *Jinjiang, Fujian, China* is enshrined in a 5-hectare Park built and named in his honour, complete with museum and library. The monument made of the world famous *Jinjiang granite stones*, 18.61 meters high, taller than the 12 meters high Rizal statue in *Luneta Park, Manila*;
- (34) In *Hong Kong*, the landmarks were he lived at Alexander Street and a marker on Century Square where Rizal's medical clinic used to stand. While in *Macau*, a Rizal bust was unveiled on June 20, 2011 in his honour;

- (35) In *Canada*, he was also recognized and honoured, and there are Rizal monuments in *Earl Bales Park, North York, Toronto* and *Parc MacKenzie in Montreal, Quebec*. Also, in *Winnipeg, Manitoba* and *Edmonton*, except in *Vancouver, British Columbia*;

“COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS OR CONCEPT”

- (36) To commemorate Rizal’s 150th Birth Anniversary on June 19, 1861;
- (37) To honour and commemorate his 115th death anniversary when he was shot and executed by Spaniards firing squad at Bagumbayan, Manila on December 30, 1896;
- (38) To commemorate the 114th years of Philippine Independence Day, June 12, 1898 resulting the heroism of Rizal due to his execution.

“RESIDENTS/BUSINESS OWNERS CHALLENGES”

- (39) To placate the residents and business owners challenges, upon the success of approving in renaming *Fraser Street*, the **Confederation of Filipino Canadian Associations** will request the City Council for 2-3 years of withholding the effective date of compliance to give ample time of adjustment and preparation of changes.
- (40) Deferment for 2-3 years of its renaming approval will give residents and business owners the necessary time to adjust and effect the changes necessary to their drivers license, addresses, signage’s and can still used their old letter head stationeries, et al;

“COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT”

- (41) Renaming aims to ensure the heart of *Rizal Street* remains commercially attractive while also creating a vibrant, safe and enjoyable place for residents and tourism to the area;
- (42) Supporting continuous safety access and a conducive environment for the extension of an evening economic business landscape not in conflict with the now existing night market venues.
- (43) Catalyst for maintaining and attracting new businesses;
- (44) Provide and enhanced social environment for daily users and visitors;
- (45) Provide support and encourages community events;
- (46) Collaborate with the *South Hill Business Improvement Area* and the *Mountain View Neighbourhood* for further improvement and escalation of more business ventures;

The Filipino community’s goal is just to have a cultural land mark and presence in a neighbourhood that is strong, visible and consolidated, with a compact and critical mass community members and leaders, by naming *Rizal Street* as petitioned. This is about Filipino-Canadians emerging with the mainstream, sharing it’s culture and heritage.

To rename a street is to venerate Rizal's actions as a Filipino patriot and hero. Such undertaking inspires modern-day Filipinos taking a benevolent role with the Vancouver society. We have to take leadership positions so we can contribute to the success of our community. And Jose Rizal is a good role model for the Filipino-Canadians.

Petitioned duly signed by residents, business owners and different organizations agreeing jointly to rename *Fraser Street* to *Rizal Street* are made enclosure "C".

In light of above-captioned matters, enclosures "A" to "C" are hereby submitted to substantiate our petition to rename *Fraser Street* to *Rizal Street*.

We are looking forward to your favourable consideration and perusal on the matter.

Very sincerely;

For: **CONFEDERATION OF THE FILIPINO CANADIAN ASSOCIATIONS**



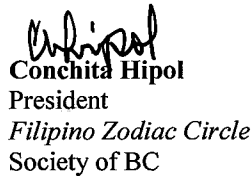
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Enclosures: As stated

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