

Introduced by: Councilmember Burnett

Prepared by: Department of Legislative Reference

Date: March 22, 2017

Referred to: JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS Committee

Also referred for recommendation and report to municipal agencies listed on reverse.

CITY COUNCIL 17 - 6045

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning

**City Streets – Naming an Unnamed 15-Foot Lane, Located in the Vicinity of
William Street and Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane**

FOR the purpose of naming an unnamed 15-foot lane, located in the vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue in the Franklinton Community and measuring approximately 315 feet east of the William Street intersection and approximately 120 feet west of the William Street intersection, Unity Lane.

BY authority of

Article 26 - Surveys, Streets, and Highways
Section 7-3
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)



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Agencies

Baltimore City Public School System

Baltimore Development Corporation

City Solicitor

Comptroller's Office

Department of Audits

Department of Finance

Department of General Services

Department of Housing and Community Development

Department of Human Resources

Department of Planning

Other: _____

Other: _____

Other: _____

Department of Public Works

Department of Real Estate

Department of Recreation and Parks

Department of Transportation

Fire Department

Health Department

Mayor's Office of Employment Development

Mayor's Office of Human Services

Mayor's Office of Information Technology

Office of the Mayor

Police Department

Other: _____

Other: _____

Boards and Commissions

Board of Estimates

Board of Ethics

Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals

Comm. for Historical and Architectural Preservation

Commission on Sustainability

Employees' Retirement System

Other: _____

Other: _____

Other: _____

Environmental Control Board

Fire & Police Employees' Retirement System

Labor Commissioner

Parking Authority Board

Planning Commission

Wage Commission

Other: _____

Other: _____

Other: _____

CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE 17-025
Council Bill 17-0045

Introduced by: Councilmember Burnett
Introduced and read first time: April 3, 2017
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee
Committee Report: Favorable
Council action: Adopted
Read second time: May 15, 2017

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

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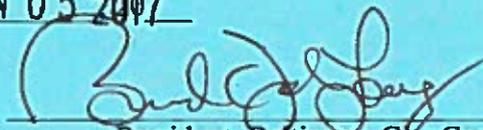
Council Bill 17-0045

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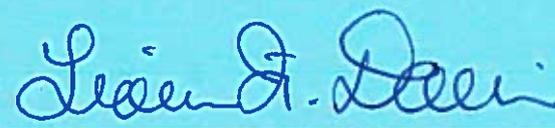
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President, Baltimore City Council

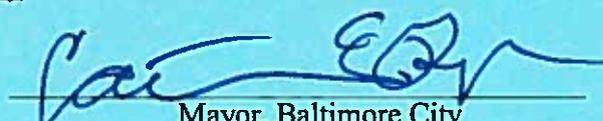
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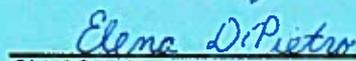
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Mayor, Baltimore City

Approved For Form and Legal Sufficiency

This 6th Day of June 2017



Chief Solicitor

BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL
JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE
VOTING RECORD

BILL#: CC-17-0045 DATE: MAY 9, 2017

BILL TITLE: City Streets - Naming an Unnamed 15-Foot Lane, Located in the Vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane

MOTION BY: SCOTT SECONDED BY: CLARKE

- FAVORABLE FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS
 UNFAVORABLE WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Costello, E., Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clarke, M., Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bullock, J.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pinkett, L.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reisinger, E.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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CHAIRPERSON: C. V. [Signature]
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HEARING NOTES

Bill: 17-0045

City Streets - Naming an Unnamed 15-Foot Lane,
Located in the Vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane

Committee: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations
Chaired By: Councilmember Eric Costello

Hearing Date: May 9, 2017
Time (Beginning): 10:15 a.m.
Time (Ending): 10:20 a.m.
Location: Clarence "Du" Burns Chamber
Total Attendance: ~15
Committee Members in Attendance:
Mary Pat Clarke Edward Reisinger Brandon Scott
Leon Pinkett Robert Stokes Eric Costello

Bill Synopsis in the file? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Attendance sheet in the file? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Agency reports read? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded? [] yes [X] no [] n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Motioned by: Councilmember Scott
Seconded by: Councilmember Clarke
Final Vote: Favorable

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Kristerfer Burnett, Councilman, 8th District of Baltimore City

Major Issues Discussed

1. Chairman Costello introduced the proceedings and asked if each of the agencies stood by their reports, with each agency responding in the affirmative.
2. Councilman Burnett stated that the property in question is a dirt road that is hard to find. He noted that he became lost trying to find the street using a GPS application, and that this could pose a hazard for emergency services.

Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

Committee Vote:

E. Costello: Yea
M. Clarke: Yea
J. Bullock: Absent
L. Pinkett: Yea
E. Reisinger: Yea
B. Scott: Yea
R. Stokes: Yea

D'Paul Nibber

D'Paul Nibber, Committee Staff

Date: May 12, 2017

cc: Bill File
OCS Chrono File



**BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL
JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS
COMMITTEE**

Mission Statement

On behalf of the Citizens of Baltimore City, the mission of the Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee is to investigate and study the continuing operations, efficiency, and functions of Baltimore City government in accordance with the laws of Baltimore City, the State of Maryland, and the United States.

As a result of its investigations and studies, the Committee will recommend and oversee reforms to improve the operations of Baltimore City's government through legislative, administrative, and/or budgetary processes.

**The Honorable Eric T. Costello
Chairman**

PUBLIC HEARING

**Tuesday, May 9, 2017
10:15 AM**

CLARENCE "DU" BURNS COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Council Bill 17-0045

***City Streets - Naming an Unnamed 15-Foot Lane,
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BILL SYNOPSIS

Committee: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations

Bill 17-0045

**City Streets - Naming An Unnamed 15-Foot Lane,
Located In The Vicinity Of William Street And Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane**

Sponsor: Councilmember Burnett, et al

Introduced: April 3, 2017

Purpose:

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Effective: Upon the 30th day after the date it is enacted.

Hearing Date/Time/Location: May 9, 2017/10:15 a.m./Clarence "Du" Burns Chamber

Agency Reports

City Solicitor	Favorable
Department of Planning	Favorable
Department of Transportation	Favorable
Commission for Historical & Architectural Preservation	Favorable

ANALYSIS

Current Law

The City has the ability to name alleys under Baltimore City Code, Article 26, § 7-3.

Background

Council Bill 17-0045 names a "15-foot lane, located in the vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue in the Franklinton Community," "Unity Lane." Since the early 1900's, this throughway, a "paper" or unpaved street, has been the only means of access for two plots of land, with homes on each. The naming is requested by the occupants of said homes due to providers of emergency services being unable to locate the street.

The Department of Law approved the Bill for form and legal sufficiency, stating that it was submitted to the proper agencies for review prior to final passage. The Department of Planning provided a favorable report, noting that the street in question is labeled incorrectly in most mapping services, posing a risk that emergency services may be unable to find the adjoining properties. For the same reasons, the Department of Transportation provided a favorable report. The Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation also provided a favorable report as "no historic structures will be impacted."

Additional Information

Fiscal Note: Not Available

Information Source(s): City Solicitor; Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation; Department of Transportation

Analysis by: *D'Paul & Nibber*
D'Paul S. Nibber
Analysis Date: May 5, 2017

Direct Inquiries to: (410) 396-1268

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 17-0045
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmember Burnett

Introduced and read first time: April 3, 2017

Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Planning, Department of Transportation, Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation

A BILL ENTITLED

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JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE

Council Bill 17-0045

Hearing Date: May 9, 2017

Agency Reports:

- **City Solicitor**
 - **Favorable**
- **Department of Planning**
 - **Favorable**
- **Department of Transportation**
 - **Favorable**
- **Commission for Historical & Architectural Preservation**
 - **Favorable**

CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

101 City Hall
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

May 3, 2017

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 17-0045 – Naming an Unnamed 15-Foot Lane, Located
in the Vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane

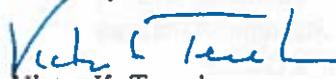
Dear President and City Council Members:

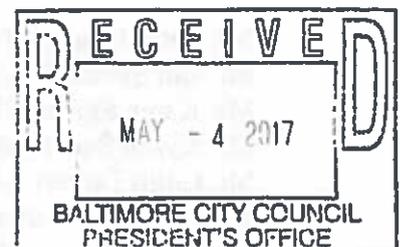
The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0045 for form and legal sufficiency. This bill seeks to name an unnamed 15-foot lane, located in the vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue in the Franklintown Community, Unity Lane.

The City has the power to name this alley under Article 26, Section 7-3 of the Baltimore City Code. That Section requires the ordinance proposing the name be referred to, and reviewed by, the Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Commission for Historic and Architectural Preservation (CHAP). The section further provides that “no further action shall be taken by the City Council” on the bill “pending the receipt” of the reports from DOT and CHAP.

This bill has been referred to DOT and CHAP, as well as to the Planning Commission and the Law Department. Assuming receipt of reports from CHAP and DOT, the Law Department will approve this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,


Victor K. Tervala
Chief Solicitor



cc: David Ralph, Acting City Solicitor
Karen Stokes, Director, Mayor's Office of Government Relations
Kyron Banks, Mayor's Legislative Liaison
Elena DiPietro, Chief Solicitor, General Counsel Division
Hilary Ruley, Chief Solicitor
Jennifer Landis, Assistant Solicitor

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TJS

FROM

NAME & TITLE	THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR
AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET
SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #17-0045/CITY STREETS - NAMING AN UNNAMED 15-FOOT LANE, LOCATED IN VICINITY OF WILLIAM STREET AND BEECHWOOD AVENUE, UNITY LANE

CITY of
BALTIMORE
MEMO



DATE: April 19, 2017

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 North Holliday Street

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #17-0045 for a review.

The bill is introduced for the purpose of naming an unnamed 15-foot lane, located in the vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue in the Franklinton Community and measuring approximately 315 feet east of the William Street intersection and approximately 120 feet west of the William Street intersection, Unity Lane (Eighth District).

This unnamed lane serves as the sole means of access for two properties - 5000 and 5006 Division Street. Division Street, however, is an unimproved paper street that runs along the southern edge of these properties and does not actually provide any access. CitiMap, CityView, and even Google Maps incorrectly describe this unnamed lane as "Division Street." Due to this lack of clarity, confusion has developed as to where these two houses are actually to be found. This poses a distinct public safety hazard, causing potential delay in the arrival of needed emergency services. The Department of Planning recommends adoption of City Council Bill #17-0045.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Wolde Ararsa, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at 410-396-4488.

TJS/WA

- cc: Mr. Pete Hammen, Chief Operating Officer
- Mr. Jim Smith, Chief of Strategic Alliances
- Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office
- Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office
- Mr. Colin Tarbert, Mayor's Office
- The Honorable Edward Reisinger, Council Rep. to Planning Commission
- Mr. David Tanner, BMZA
- Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration
- Ms. Sharon Daboin, DHCD
- Mr. Patrick Fleming, DOT
- Ms. Elena DiPietro, Law Dept.
- Ms. Natawna Austin, Council Services
- Mr. Francis Burnszynski, PABC

F R O M	NAME & TITLE	Frank J. Murphy, Acting Director	CITY of BALTIMORE	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 East Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 17-0045	M E M O	

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 City Hall

May 2, 2017

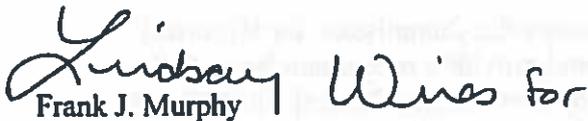
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There are currently two houses that front this unnamed lane and by naming the lane emergency services will more easily be able to find the houses and GPS maps will be able to find the homes.

The Department of Transportation supports this bill.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,


Frank J. Murphy
Acting Director

FJM/PAF

Cc: Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office
Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office

EH

FROM	NAME & TITLE	Eric Holcomb, Executive Director CHAP	CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation 417 East Fayette Street, 8 TH Floor		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill #17-0045/Naming an Unnamed 15-foot Lane, Located in the Vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane		

DATE:

TO

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 North Holliday Street

May 1, 2017

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This item has been scheduled for a committee hearing before the Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation will be able to review it and provide a recommendation to the committee. CHAP staff advises a recommendation of approval of City Council Bill #17-0045 because no historic structures will be impacted.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eric Holcomb, Executive Director, at 410-984-2728.

CC:
Kyron Banks
Sheila Wyche

EH

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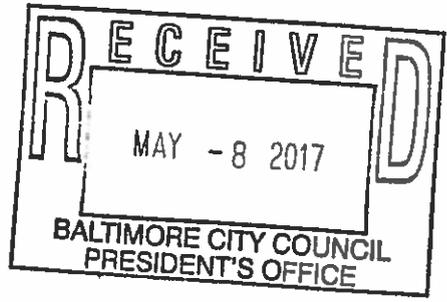
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**CC:
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FROM	NAME & TITLE	Frank J. Murphy, Acting Director	CITY of BALTIMORE	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 East Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 17-0045	MEMO	

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 City Hall

May 2, 2017

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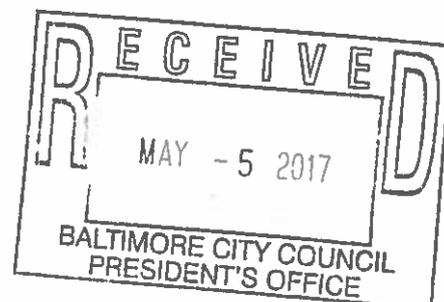
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Cc: Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office
Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office



CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

101 City Hall
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

May 3, 2017

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 17-0045 – Naming an Unnamed 15-Foot Lane, Located
in the Vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane

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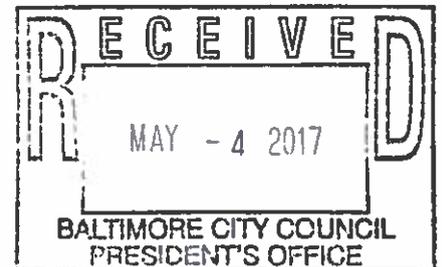
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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #17-0045/CITY STREETS - NAMING AN UNNAMED 15-FOOT LANE, LOCATED IN VICINITY OF WILLIAM STREET AND BEECHWOOD AVENUE, UNITY LANE

CITY of
BALTIMORE

MEMO



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DATE: April 19, 2017

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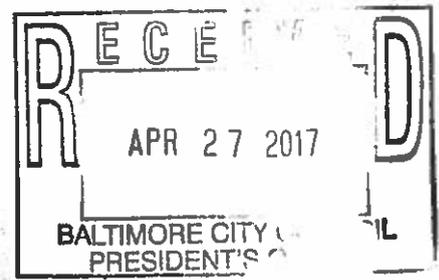
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Council Bill 17-0045

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INTRODUCTORY*
CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL _____

APPROVED FOR FORM STYLE, AND TEXTUAL SUFFICIENCY
3-22-17
DATE OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE

Introduced by: Councilmember Burnett

A BILL ENTITLED

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BY authority of

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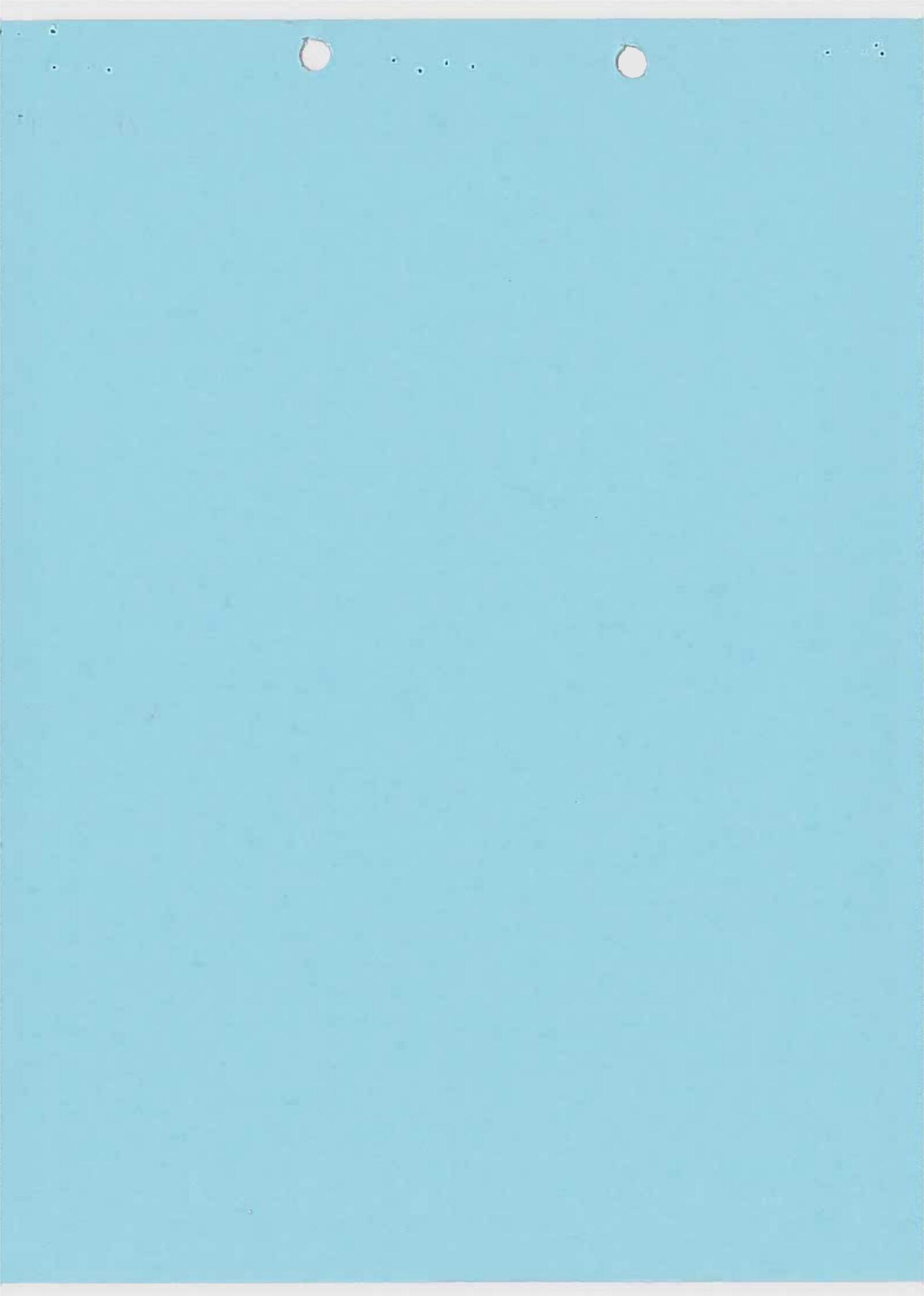
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ACTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL

APR 03 2017

FIRST READING (INTRODUCTION) _____ 20 _____

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON MAY 9 _____ 20 17

COMMITTEE REPORT AS OF MAY 15 _____ 20 17

FAVORABLE _____ UNFAVORABLE _____ FAVORABLE AS AMENDED _____ WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION _____

E-V-Curt
Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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SECOND READING: The Council's action being favorable (unfavorable), this City Council bill was (was not) ordered printed for Third Reading on:

MAY 15 2017

_____ Amendments were read and adopted (defeated) as indicated on the copy attached to this blue backing.

THIRD READING _____ JUN 05 2017

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THIRD READING (ENROLLED) _____ 20 _____

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THIRD READING (RE-ENROLLED) _____ 20 _____

WITHDRAWAL _____ 20 _____

There being no objections to the request for withdrawal, it was so ordered that this City Council Ordinance be withdrawn from the files of the City Council.

[Signature]
President

[Signature]
Chief Clerk

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FROM	NAME & TITLE	Eric Holcomb, Executive Director CHAP	CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation 417 East Fayette Street, 8 TH Floor		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill #17-0045/Naming an Unnamed 15-foot Lane, Located in the Vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue, Unity Lane		

TO

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The Honorable President and
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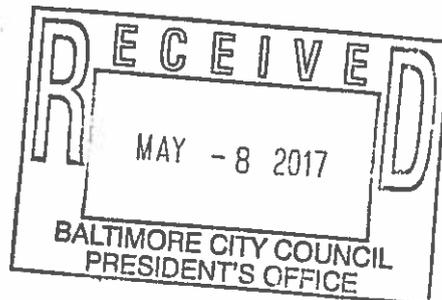
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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eric Holcomb, Executive Director, at 410-984-2728.

CC:
Kyron Banks
Sheila Wyche

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FROM	NAME & TITLE	Frank J. Murphy, Acting Director	CITY of BALTIMORE	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 East Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 17-0045		

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 City Hall

May 2, 2017

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There are currently two houses that front this unnamed lane and by naming the lane emergency services will more easily be able to find the houses and GPS maps will be able to find the homes.

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Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

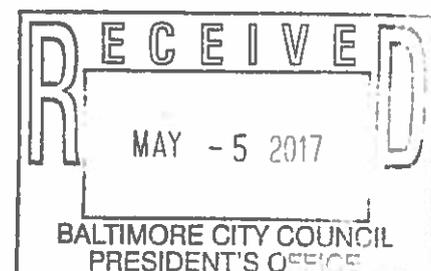
Respectfully,

Lindsay Wins
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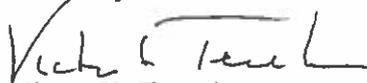
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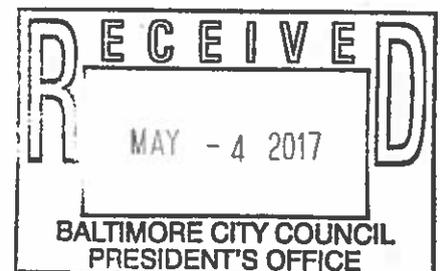
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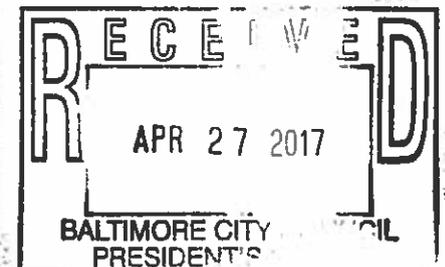
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**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 17-0045
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmember Burnett

Introduced and read first time: April 3, 2017

Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Planning, Department of Transportation, Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation

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Certified as duly passed this ____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

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Chief Clerk

Approved this ____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City