



Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** 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 Franklintown Community and measuring approximately 315 feet east of the William Street intersection and approximately 120 feet west of the William Street intersection, Unity Lane.

**Sponsors:** Kristerfer Burnett

**Indexes:** City Streets - Renaming

**Code sections:**

**Attachments:** 1. 17-0045~1st Reader, 2. Planning 17-0045, 3. Law 17-0045, 4. DOT 17-0045, 5. CHAP 17-0045, 6. 17-0045~3rd Reader, 7. Completed Legislative File 17-0045

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
6/19/2017	0	Mayor	Signed by Mayor	
6/5/2017	0	City Council	Approved and Sent to the Mayor	
5/15/2017	0	City Council	3rd Reader, for final passage	
5/15/2017	0	Judiciary and Legislative Investigations	Recommended Favorably	
5/9/2017	0	Judiciary and Legislative Investigations	Recommended Favorably	Pass
4/24/2017	0	Judiciary and Legislative Investigations	Scheduled for a Public Hearing	
4/6/2017	0	The City Council	Refer to Dept. of Planning	
4/6/2017	0	The City Council	Refer to Dept. of Transportation	
4/6/2017	0	The City Council	Refer to Commission for Historical & Architectural Preservation	
4/6/2017	0	The City Council	Refer to City Solicitor	
4/3/2017	0	City Council	Introduced	
4/3/2017	0	City Council	Assigned	

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The official copy considered by the City Council is the first reader copy.

**Introductory\***

**City of Baltimore  
Council Bill**

Introduced by: Councilmember Burnett

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 Franklintown 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)

**Recitals**

Since the early 1900's, the unnamed 15-foot lane has been present, nameless, and recognized as a right of way by successive deeds and subdivision proposals. Two houses, located on two separate lots, were built adjacent to the unnamed lane probably in the first quarter of the 1900's, with their backs facing the lane and with their fronts facing Division Street, a proposed right of way that was never improved from its original wooded and rocky state. The unnamed lane has been the only means of entry/exit since the houses were built. The lane measures approximately 315 feet east of the William Street intersection and approximately 120 feet west of the William Street intersection.

The owner-occupants of the properties adjacent to the unnamed 15-foot lane have requested that the lane be named. The lane is the only access to their homes. Division Street is an unimproved "paper street", unlikely to have this status changed at any time in the near future because of immense and possibly prohibitive costs. Because of the lack of an official name for the lane, confusion has developed as to where the houses are actually to be found, and this has resulted in the delay of needed emergency service. Having an officially recognized location of the houses will prevent the delay of emergency service and will also resolve confusion surrounding the right of way.

**Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore,** That the unnamed 15-foot lane, located in the vicinity of William Street and Beechwood Avenue in the Franklintown Community and measuring approximately 315 feet east of the William Street intersection and approximately 120 feet west of the William Street intersection, is named Unity Lane.

**Section 2. And be it further ordained,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the date it is enacted.