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January 18, 2018

To: Portland Bureau of Transportation

My uncle Harvey Milk was one the first openly LGBT elected officials in the US and the first to call for LGBT people to take the bold step of being out and visible. This year marks 40 years that Harvey served as an elected, his term cut short by an assassin's bullets. I have had the honor to take his story and his universal message of equality around the world over the past three decades.

My uncle gave me, at a young age, my first lessons in self-acceptance and celebrating one's differences. When I was twelve, he gave me a copy of the Native American anthology *Seven Arrows*, inscribed with the words "You, and all your differences, are the medicine that the world needs, even when the world does not recognize that." This began our deeper, ongoing dialogue about authenticity and accepting oneself, a dialogue that came to a violent end when I was seventeen and in my first semester at university, when Harvey was assassinated. I came out that night Harvey was killed. Coming out was still extremely rare back then, yet I would be joined by tens of thousands of other LGBT people across the world who would read about and hear the prophetic message my uncle included in his recorded political will, "If a bullet should enter my brain, let that bullet destroy every closet door."

I now travel the globe relating Harvey's not only relevant but desperately needed message of hope and courage. I've heard heartfelt stories of newly discovered pride and renewed faith in their own futures from young folks in countries around the world (yes, including from the youth of Portland!) – all inspired by a man who made the ultimate sacrifice in 1978 to move us all forward. I have seen firsthand the impact that Harvey Milk Day in California has on young people: the hope Harvey's story offers is palpable. Harvey dreamed of not only equality but acceptance – we even have a US navy ship being built bearing the name USNS Harvey Milk, which will carry this message to many ports where it is still illegal to be LGBT.

I have had the privilege to share the stage with some of the most amazing world leaders including President Barack Obama, Nobel Prize Winner Desmond Tutu, and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau; however, it is the hundreds of youth that I have met across the globe, LGBT and non-LGBT alike, that have been most inspiring. They hear the story of my uncle and know that he believed in them and in their authenticity.

So it is my hope, both as a leader of the Harvey Milk Foundation and as Milk family spokesperson, that the great City of Portland will join leading communities across the world in celebrating that legacy; and through the city blocks of Harvey Milk Street, send a daily reminder that is a beacon of hope for all of Portland. Thank you.

L. Stuart Milk
Executive Chair, Harvey Milk Foundation
Nephew of Harvey Milk.

The Miami Foundation, as a community foundation, acts as fiscal agent for the Harvey Milk Foundation. The Miami Foundation is registered with the State of Florida under the solicitation of contributions act, 1991. A copy of the original registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll free within the state. 1-800-4357352. Our Florida registration number SC 04939.



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Subject: Harvey Milk Street Renaming

The Downtown Neighborhood Association is proud to support the effort to rename SW Stark in honor of gay rights activist Harvey Milk. Downtown Portland was the historic center of Portland's LGBTQ community and, in light of its history, we agree that SW Stark Street is an appropriate street to rename for a prominent LGBTQ activist.

We all have a responsibility to create an inclusive community and we understand the symbolic significance that street names have in demonstrating our community values. Renaming a street sends a clear message that the LGBTQ members in our community are important, and that we as a City value their contributions to making Portland an open, welcoming, and wonderful place for everyone.

We look forward to joining the Harvey Milk Coalition at the official renaming event!

Best regards,

Felicia Williams
President, Downtown Neighborhood Association





QUOTES FROM HARVEY:

“All men are created equal. No matter how hard they try, they can never erase those words. That is what America is about.”

“If you are not personally free to be yourself in that most important of all human activities... the expression of love... then life itself loses its meaning.”

“All young people, regardless of sexual orientation or identity, deserve a safe and supportive environment in which to achieve their full potential.”

“I finally reached the point where I knew I had to become involved or shut up.”

“Rights are won only by those who make their voices heard. “

“I ask for the movement to continue, for the movement to grow. It's not about personal gain, not about ego, not about power — it's about giving those young people out there hope. You gotta give them hope.”

Harvey Milk

Harvey Milk was a prominent leader in the early stages of the LGBTQ civil rights movement and one of the first openly LGBTQ Americans ever elected to public office. Born in New York in 1930, Milk moved to San Francisco in 1972 and set about unifying and organizing the LGBTQ community. His unapologetic insistence on equality galvanized the budding LGBTQ rights movement and he supported activists around the country. As he gained national attention for his cause, he was known in San Francisco as the Mayor of Castro Street. In 1977 he was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, but was assassinated the following year by Dan White, an anti-gay activist who also assassinated the city's pro-equality mayor. To this day, Milk's legacy and message of hope continue to inspire young LGBTQ people around the world.

Recognition of Harvey Milk



San Diego became the first city in the country to name a street after Harvey Milk in 2012...

... and Salt Lake City followed suit in 2016.



In 2014, Harvey became the first LGBT activist to have a US postage stamp dedicated to him.

In 2009, Harvey Milk was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the first LGBT right activist to be honored with the nation's most prestigious civilian award. President Obama presented the medal to Harvey's nephew, Stuart Milk, in a ceremony at the White House.



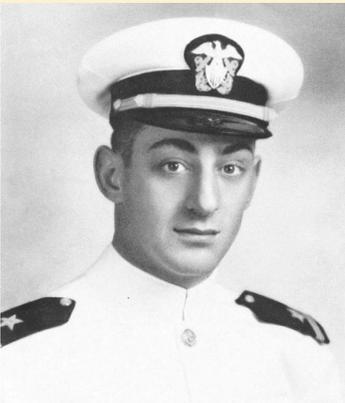
**HARVEY MILK
CIVIL RIGHTS ACADEMY**

San Francisco and New York City have both named a high school after Harvey.

In 2008, the movie Milk, a biopic of Harvey's life, was released to wide acclaim. Directed by Portland's own Gus Van Sant, the movie received eight Academy Award nominations.



A Navy veteran, Harvey will be the first openly LGBT person to ever have a US Navy ship named after him.



Harvey Milk – A Brief Biography

Harvey Milk was a national leader in the early stages of the LGBTQ civil rights movement. When he won a seat on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 1977, he became one of the first openly LGBTQ Americans elected to public office. The following year, he was assassinated by an anti-gay activist and former colleague, Dan White, who also murdered San Francisco's pro-equality mayor. The scope of Milk's activism extended well beyond San Francisco - Milk helped in the effort to defeat the anti-LGBTQ Measure 51 in Eugene in 1978, a critical campaign in Oregon's fledgling LGBTQ civil rights movement. To this day, Milk's legacy and message of hope continues to inspire young LGBTQ people around the world.

Life & Political Career

Harvey Milk was born in 1922 in Woodmere, New York, to a Jewish family of Lithuanian descent. Both of his parents were Navy veterans, and after college he, too, joined the Navy as an officer, where he worked as a diving instructor in San Diego. The anti-gay culture of the 1950's expressed itself in the US Military as a series of witch hunts that saw thousands of LGBTQ servicemembers discharged. In this hostile climate, Milk left the Navy and moved back to New York, where he worked in a variety of professions such as teaching, Wall Street trading, and theater production.

In 1972, Milk moved to San Francisco and set up a camera store on Castro Street, which would soon become an important meeting and organizing center for San Francisco's growing LGBTQ community. A year later he ran for City Supervisor. Although unsuccessful, this was the first of Milk's several attempts to gain elected office, including one failed attempt at election to the California Assembly.

In 1977, Milk was finally successful in his third bid for a seat on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. During his short time in office, he oversaw the passage of an LGBTQ civil rights bill and championed housing and childcare issues for low-income families.

In 1978, Harvey Milk and San Francisco Mayor George Moscone were assassinated by former City Supervisor Dan White. White had resigned from the Board of Supervisors earlier that year, but later asked the Mayor to reinstate him, which he refused. Breaking into City Hall to avoid metal detectors, White shot both the Mayor and Harvey Milk. He was later convicted of manslaughter and served only five years of his sentence. The night of the assassinations, tens of thousands marched through the streets of San Francisco in a candlelight vigil.

Commemorations of Harvey Milk

Harvey Milk's life & activism have been commemorated in various books & other media, including critically-lauded & award-winning films *The Times of Harvey Milk* (1984) and *Milk* (2008), the latter of which was directed by Portland filmmaker Gus Van Sant.

TIME Magazine listed Milk as one of the 100 people who most influenced the 20th Century in their June 1999 issue.

In 2009, President Barack Obama posthumously awarded Milk the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the first LGBTQ rights activist to ever achieve this honor. The United States Postal Service dedicated a stamp to Milk in 2014. Milk was a Naval officer, and in 2016 the US Navy declared that USNS Harvey Milk will begin construction in 2018 – the first US Navy ship to be named after an openly gay leader.

Milk's name is on multiple buildings around the world, including schools & LGBTQ community centers. In San Francisco, there is a federal building at the US Job Corps Center on Treasure Island named after Milk, as well as a public recreation center, a branch of the public library, and a public plaza. Two cities – San Diego and Salt Lake City – have a street named after Milk. Many California public schools also celebrate Harvey Milk Day on May 22 each year.

In 2009, the Harvey Milk Foundation was founded by Stuart Milk, Harvey's nephew, and Anne Kronenburg, Milk's campaign manager and aide.

Additional resources:

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- www.milkfoundation.org
- www.harveymilkpdx.org

Harvey Milk Street Project Committee

Governor Barbara Roberts, Oregon's Governor from 1991-1995

Governor Ted Kulongoski, Oregon's Governor from 2003-2011

Amy Herzfeld-Copple, Co-Executive Director of Basic Rights Oregon

Mikki Gillette, Major Gifts Officer at Basic Rights Oregon

Terry Bean, Real Estate broker and lifetime LGBTQ rights activist

Cory L. Murphy-Helmkamp, Social justice and civil rights activist

Lisa Schroeder, business owner on SW Stark St.

Suzanne Hale, business owner on SW Stark St.

Rick Jung, Executive Director of Portland Gay Men's Chorus

Thomas Lauderdale, LGBTQ rights activist and local musician

Craig Hartzman, LGBTQ rights activist

Dwayne Davis, LGBTQ rights activist

Cathy Travis, LGBTQ rights activist

Tyler TerMeer, Executive Director of Cascade AIDS Project

Peter Parisot, Deputy Executive Director of Cascade AIDS Project

Jean Pierre Nugloze, business owner on SW Stark St.

Matt Steele, LGBTQ rights Activist

Our Vision

We envision a world where no LGBTQ child questions their worth, where every person of every gender & orientation & identity feels seen & heard & respected. We seek a society that demonstrates its commitment to this world by ensuring inclusion & equity in law & opportunity.

As is well evident, this world does not yet exist. Although we have seen remarkable progress in the rights & recognition of the LGBTQ community in recent decades, LGBTQ people continue to face significant obstacles to housing, healthcare, safety, legal status, job security, & more.

We believe visible, public acknowledgement of the struggles and contributions of the LGBTQ community is a crucial part of this vision. Public art, memorials, & building/street names all send a lasting, powerful message to those who experience them.

So a group of us met. And we talked. And we met again, and again, and again. How do we open the door to commemorate & celebrate the LGBTQ community in Portland? We want this to be a starting point – so we chose a street in a neighborhood historically significant to the LGBTQ community. We sought an active figure in the LGBTQ equality movement, someone who, as per city law, is a household name & has been deceased for 5+ years. After much thought, we decided activist/politician/veteran Harvey Milk is a compelling choice, having nationwide recognition for his legacy & story.

From here, we hope to further enliven the SW Stark neighborhood, to use this opportunity as a starting point to commemorate LGBTQ heroes & icons. It's a definitive step toward the future we envision, and we hope you'll join us on this project.

A Community Effort

We're a grassroots coalition in Portland who have come together to propose renaming the 13 blocks of SW Stark Street in honor of national LGBTQ hero Harvey Milk. Our broad coalition includes community groups, local LGBTQ organizations, downtown business owners, and passionate individuals. Over 70% of the businesses on SW Stark St have endorsed this effort, and we expect the others to soon join them. Numerous local political and social figures have endorsed the cause as well.

Because Portland is a city that embraces equality & strives for social justice, it has renamed several of its streets after well-known leaders of civil rights movements – Martin Luther King, Jr, Blvd in 1990; Naito Parkway in 1996; Rosa Parks Way in 2007; and César E. Chávez Blvd in 2009. We believe LGBTQ activist Harvey Milk is a powerful, meaningful, inspiring next step.

Why SW Stark Street?

SW Stark Street was once a center of LGBTQ culture in Portland. Our community coalition, alongside a growing number of Portlanders, hope to recognize this by renaming the street after Harvey Milk. Renaming the 13 blocks of SW Stark Street to SW Harvey Milk Street would demonstrate Portland's pursuit of equity & inclusion for its citizens, a city that honors its LGBTQ community's struggle for equality.

Only a couple of decades ago, SW Stark hosted the majority of Portland's LGBTQ nightlife, parades, & businesses. Only a handful of these remain on SW Stark, but renaming this street after LGBTQ hero Harvey Milk will commemorate the cultural/historical significance of this street to the LGBTQ community for generations to come. As mentioned above, we are looking into additional ways to recognize other icons & symbols of our movement along this street.

ENDORSEMENTS



“I am proud to add my enthusiastic support to this proposal to recognize Harvey Milk here in Portland. He was a role model of courage and honesty for our country.”

- **Governor Barbara Roberts**

“Given a history of bias and bigotry against the people who make up the GLBTQ community, we need to create cultural symbols that reinforce our roles as positive members of the broader society. Naming a street after Harvey Milk will... acknowledge our struggle and our humanity.”

- **Kathleen Saadat**, Portland activist & musician



“As a gay man and business owner on SW Stark Street, this project is remarkable to me. I was an LGBTQ activist in Togo before I was forced to leave and seek asylum here in the US, because my government passed a 5-year prison sentence for anyone who is gay. The Harvey Milk

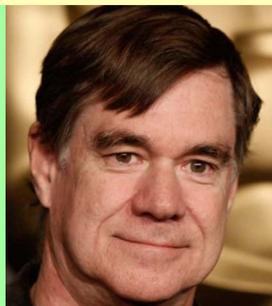
Street Project makes me so proud that I picked Portland to start my business and new life!”

- **Jean Pierre Nugloze**, Owner of N’Kossi Boutique de l’Afrique on Southwest Stark Street



“Harvey Milk’s message is one of positivity and hope. It’s exciting to see somebody who has done so much good be recognized, and I would love to have a street named after him in Portland.”

- **Gus Van Sant**, Portland filmmaker and director of the movie *Milk*, a biopic of Harvey Milk’s life



Community Organizations

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACLU of Oregon Basic Rights Oregon Bridging Voices Cascade AIDS Project Dykes on Bikes PDX El Hispanic News First Unitarian Church of Portland Gay & Lesbian Archives of the PNW International Imperial Court Council Northwest Gender Alliance OHSU Partnership Project Oregon Dept. of Veterans Affairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our House Portland Gay Men's Chorus Portland Lesbian Choir PSU's Queer Resource Center PQ Monthly Pride Foundation Pride Northwest Prism Health Quest Center for Integrative Health Rose City Gay Freedom Band Veterans for Human Rights
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Community Leaders

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governor Barbara Roberts Governor Ted Kulongoski Darcelle XV & Roxy LeRoy Kathleen Saadat Gus Van Sant Tom Potter Stuart Milk Terry Bean Congressman Barney Frank Cory L. Murphy-Helmkamp Jean Pierre Nugloze Lisa Schroeder Suzanne Hale Jason Collins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thomas Lauderdale State Rep. Karin Power Cathy Travis Nancy Hales Dustin Lance Black Judy and Dennis Shepard Nicole Murray Ramirez Marty Davis Reverend Nathan Meckley, MCC Roey Thorpe Esera Tualo Billy Bean Homer Williams Mark Edlen
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Portland’s Business Community

Businesses on SW Stark St:

- Al-Amir Restaurant
- American Panda
- Boxer Ramen
- Caribbean Kitchen
- Chez Dodo
- Club Rouge
- Crystal Hotel
- Cultured Caveman
- John Fluevog Shoes
- Kenny & Zukes
- Mother's Bistro & Bar
- N’Kossi Boutique de l’Afrique
- Peterson's Grocery Store
- Pulehu Pizza
- Quik Fish Poke Bar
- Ringlers Annex
- The Roxy
- Scandals
- Steven Allen
- Stumptown Coffee Roasters
- Sushi Food Cart
- Timbuk2
- Velvet Lounge Café
- West End Bikes
- Zeus Café

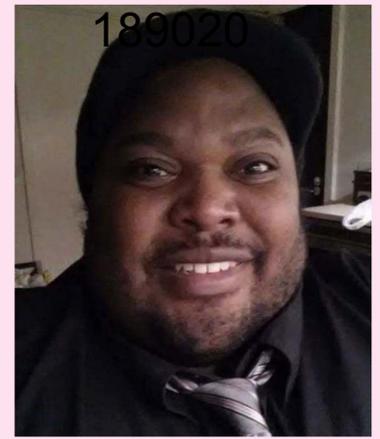
Other Portland Businesses:

- Powell's City of Books
- McMenamins
- Gerding-Edlen
- FamilyCare Health
- Portland Institute for Contemporary Art
- Harsch Investment Properties
- Studio Blue
- Rose City Commercial Real Estate
- Hobo’s Restaurant
- Blue Hour
- 23 Hoyt
- Oregon Pacific Investments
- The Rainbow Room Lounge
- Stag PDX
- Saucebox
- Clark Lewis
- Triangle Productions



“Renaming SW Stark St. after gay activist and icon Harvey Milk will send a powerful message to LGBTQ youth that they are valued and respected,”

Mikki Gillette
Basic Rights Oregon & Committee Member



“Harvey Milk inspired an entire nation of LGBTQ citizens to demand recognition and electoral power in their communities. I am excited to acknowledge his contributions by naming a street in his honor,”

Cory Murphy-Helmkamp
Former Director of Operations for Pride Northwest, Committee Member



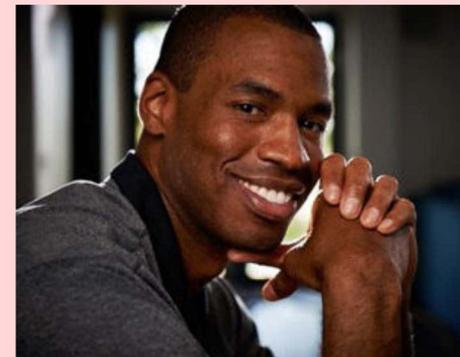
“So many lives have been lost because of violence & stigma against the LGBTQ community. The positive impact of publicly recognizing Harvey Milk’s work & sacrifice in downtown Portland would be immense – reinforcing the culture of acknowledgment & acceptance as well as inspiring strength & esteem in our LGBTQ youth. My son Matthew would be so proud to see this project come to fruition.”

Judy & Dennis Shepard,
Parents of Matthew Shepard



“I’m grateful for every LGBTQ hero who has come before me and made my life better because of their sacrifice. Honoring Harvey Milk’s legacy by renaming a street in the heart of the city after him speaks volumes to the great character of the city of Portland, Oregon,”

Jason Collins
First openly gay NBA player, LGBTQ rights activist



“Visibility is so important for marginalized communities – I’ve experienced this first hand as a closeted football player at Oregon State University & in the NFL. Commemorating LGBTQ activist Harvey Milk in downtown Portland sends a powerful message to our youth & our citizens: we see you & we honor your stories,”

Esera Tuaolo
Openly gay former NFL player, LGBTQ rights activist



“Honoring the LGBTQ equality movement is a decisive next step in Portland’s journey to celebrate all who live here. As a business owner on SW Stark, this effort is an exciting opportunity to demonstrate Portland’s values in our business community, and we’re so thrilled that it has received such widespread support,”

Lisa Schroeder
Chef/Owner of Mother's Bistro & Bar, Committee Member

ORDINANCE No. 188808 As Amended

*Authorize the City Engineer to waive City Code upon receiving evidence to support an application to rename SW Stark Street to SW Harvey Milk Street and allow the Portland Bureau of Transportation to process the application in good faith (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. Harvey Milk was a leader for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) civil rights, a human rights advocate, a Navy veteran, a politician who became, in 1977, one of the first openly gay elected officials in the United States, and a prominent figure of national significance who meets all criteria for street renaming in Portland City Code Subsection 17.93.010.
2. Prior to Harvey Milk's assassination in 1978, his work and activism extended far beyond San Francisco where Milk was an activist, community organizer, and elected City Supervisor, including successful efforts to defeat anti-LGBTQ legislation such as the Briggs Initiative in California and Measure 51 in Eugene, Oregon.
3. Harvey Milk was outspoken on state and national issues of interest to LGBTQ people, women, racial and ethnic minorities and other marginalized communities.
4. The City of Portland has consistently worked with community members to rename city streets after prominent civil rights leaders and figures of local and national prominence such as César E. Chávez, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Bill Naito, and Rosa Parks.
5. No memorial or street renaming of equivalent scope in the City of Portland exists to honor the LGBTQ community.
6. Portland City Code Subsection 17.93.020 specifies that renamed streets must start and terminate entirely within City boundaries and that renaming portions of a street shall not be permitted.
7. Stark Street is non-contiguous, with its SW and SE segments separated by Tom McCall Waterfront Park and the Willamette River.
8. Applicants seek to rename only the SW portion of Stark Street, consisting of 13 blocks from W Burnside Street to SW Naito Parkway, to SW Harvey Milk Street.

9. SW Stark Street, including where it intersects with W Burnside Street, once known as the "Pink Triangle," was once a gathering place and sanctuary for members of a growing LGBTQ culture and community in Portland going back to the 1960s. The triangular set of city blocks housed a combination of LGBTQ-friendly businesses such as restaurants, bars, shops, housing, and social services. The LGBTQ community has since grown more inclusive, and spread far beyond the borders of SW Stark, but the values of equity, inclusion and social justice for all LGBTQ people is still reflected among SW Stark's LGBTQ-owned or allied businesses.
10. Applicants have already received endorsements from 9 abutting property owners, 33 businesses addressed on SW Stark St, and over 60 local, state and national LGBTQ organizations, leaders, artists and advocates, including Basic Rights Oregon and Stuart Milk, nephew of Harvey Milk and the founder and President of the Harvey Milk Foundation.
11. Applicants have stated their intent to use this street renaming process as an opportunity to work with the Portland Bureau of Transportation to find additional ways to memorialize the fight for dignity, visibility and equal rights for LGBTQ community members in Portland and the Pacific Northwest.
12. The Portland Bureau of Transportation wishes to process the application in good faith, with Code defined outreach procedures, signature gathering, historian panel, and City Planning & Sustainability Commission input to make the determination if the street can be renamed under Portland City Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, The Council directs:

- a. The City Engineer shall, upon receiving evidence to support a proposal to rename SW Stark Street to SW Harvey Milk Street waive Portland City Code Subsections 17.93.020 B and 17.93.020 C, if the submittal complies with all other criteria outlined in Section 17.93, issue and consider application materials in accordance with the Code.

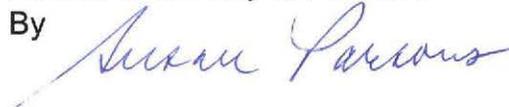
Section 2. The Council declares an emergency exists to accelerate the process to determine if there is sufficient community support to go forward; therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council, FEB 07 2018

Commissioner Dan Saltzman
Prepared by: Stacy Brewster
Date Prepared: January 30, 2018

Mary Hull Caballero
Auditor of the City of Portland

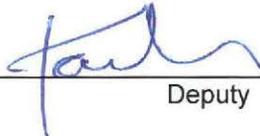
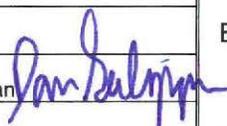
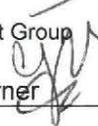
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Agenda No. **ORDINANCE NO. 188808** As Amended
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***Authorize the City Engineer to waive City Code upon receiving evidence to support an application to rename SW Stark Street to SW Harvey Milk Street and allow the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) to process the application in good faith. (Ordinance)**

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Dan Saltzman Commissioner Leah Treat Director

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PETITION TO RENAME A CITY STREET (Minimum 2,500 signatures from residents 16 and older within Portland City Boundaries)

To the Council of the City of Portland:

We, the undersigned, do hereby support the application to rename SW STARK STREET as SW HARVEY MILK STREET

No.	Signature	Printed Name	Address / City / Zip Code	Phone number (optional)	Date	At least 16 years old?
1						Yes / No
2						Yes / No
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7						Yes / No
8						Yes / No



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MEMO

Date: March 5, 2018
To: City Engineer, Portland Bureau of Transportation
From: Commissioner Dan Saltzman *DRS*
Re: Appointment of Historian Panel for SW Stark St Renaming Application

Attn: City Engineer,

Per City Code 17.93.040, I hereby appoint the following four (4) members to a Historian Panel for purposes of review of the SW Stark St Renaming Application and to write a letter with their recommendation to the Portland Planning & Sustainability Commission under the timeline provided by code. My staff has consulted with other City Council offices and reached a general consensus on these choices without objection. We have confirmed participation of all four members, outlined their roles and associated responsibilities, and will provide for them the documentation needed to move forward in their role.

Darcelle XV (aka Walter Cole)

Darcelle is the oldest performing drag queen in the country and the owner of the longest running drag show west of the Mississippi. Walter Cole bought Demas Tavern in 1967 in Old Town (which later became Darcelle XV in 1973) in a time when homosexual acts were illegal and homosexuality was listed as a mental illness. The tavern quickly became a popular LGBTQ community hub, and Darcelle built bridges between LGBTQ and straight communities with her activism and public appearances. In her 50+ years in the Portland LGBTQ scene, Darcelle offers firsthand perspectives to the movement's progress over the years. Additional background:

- <https://www.opb.org/television/programs/oregonexperience/segment/darcelle-xv/>
- http://www.oregonlive.com/tv/2016/06/darcelle_xv_documentary_explor.html

Cindy Cumfer:

Cindy Cumfer is a nonprofit attorney, historian, and long-time Portland resident. She received a PhD in history from UCLA and taught US history at Reed College. Cindy began her involvement with lesbian/women's liberation in the 1970s, successfully taking on domestic partnership legal cases & custody challenges in Oregon (as well as authoring the book *Living Our Lives* on DIY domestic partnership agreements). In 1985, Cindy was the attorney in the first same-sex adoptions in the US, which set the precedent for future cases. She brings extensive knowledge of the legal and social challenges LGBTQ couples have faced in Portland. Additional background:

- <https://www.glapn.org/6331cumfer.html>

Kathleen Saadat

Kathleen Saadat has been an influential & inspiring leader in Portland's LGBTQ community for over 40 years. In 1976, she helped organize Portland's first gay rights march; in 1974 she worked to craft the City's Civil Rights ordinance with Keeston Lowery (banning discrimination against gay & lesbian people); and in 1992, Kathleen served on the steering committee for the campaign against Ballot Measure 9. She has worked within and alongside many in local community organizations and governments as leader for women's rights, racial justice, and LGBTQ equality. Additional background:

- <https://www.glapn.org/6327KathleenSaadat.html>

Kerry Tymchuk

Kerry Tymchuk has been the Executive Director of the Oregon Historical Society since 2011, revitalizing and significantly growing the organization in his time there. He brings a lifelong passion for Oregon's history and extensive knowledge of Oregon's politics as former Senator Gordon Smith's Oregon staff director. Additional background:

- <http://www.cfm-online.com/cfm-news/2017/4/12/kerry-tymchuk-oregons-living-history-master-storyteller>

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Dan Saltzman Commissioner Leah Treat Director

APPLICATION TO RENAME A CITY STREET(S)

Date: 2/1/18

We, the undersigned, do hereby make application to rename

SW STARK STREET to be SW HARVEY MILK STREET
 proposed street(s) proposed name

Attached are: 1) biography of person for whom street name change is proposed
 2) map of street proposed for renaming

Applicant's Signature [Signature]

Organization Harvey Milk Street Project

Applicant's Address 212 SW Stark St.

Phone 503-464-1122

Application Accepted / Denied 3/23/18
 Reason for denial _____

By [Signature]
 (Staff)

FINAL APPLICATION PACKET

- Due by 8/1/2018 (180 days from initial application date)
- Submitted on 3/23/18
 (Date)

- | 3. Packet item submitted: | Yes | No |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Petition forms with <u>2806</u> signatures of residents of the City at large (2500 min. required), or _____ % of abutting property owners. (75% min. required) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Honoree's biography and other information | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Letters indicating support or opposition from majority of the abutting neighborhood and business associations. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Letter of support from honoree's surviving <u>NEPHEW</u> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Fee deposit \$ <u>N/A</u> <u>OWN ADJTOR FUTURE COST</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- \$500 for each street up to 10 city blocks long (1/2 mile or less)
 \$1,000 for each street longer than 10 city blocks (1/2 mile or more)



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Application ~~Accepted~~ / Denied

3/24/18
(Date)

Reason for denial _____

By [Signature]
(Staff)

I/we understand that any false or misleading information will render this application invalid. I/we certify that all information submitted is complete and correct to the best of my/our knowledge.

[Signature]
(Applicant's signature)

3/24/18
(Date)



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April 24, 2018

Planning & Sustainability Commission
1900 SW 4th Ave, Suite 7100
Portland, OR 97201

Dear Commissioners,

On March 5, 2018, per City Code 17.93.040, Portland City Commissioner Dan Saltzman appointed Cindy Cumfer, Kathleen Saadat, Walter Cole (aka Darcelle XV) and myself as members of a Historian Panel to evaluate a proposal to rename 13 blocks of SW Stark Street after Harvey Milk.

I was selected as Chair of the panel, and write to report that the panel reviewed the application and met publicly on Monday, April 2, 2018 at Portland City Hall to discuss it before interested community members and the media.

It was our panel's unanimous conclusion that the application did successfully meet the renaming criteria outlined in Section 17.93.020 of the Portland City Code, in that: Harvey Milk is a real person; Harvey Milk is a person who has been deceased for at least five years; and, Harvey Milk is a person who achieved prominence as a result of their significant, positive contribution to the United States of America.

All members of the panel expressed appreciation for the quality and thoroughness of the material provided in support of the application by the Harvey Milk Street Project Committee. In our deliberations, we took into consideration the significance of recognizing the LGBTQ community on a street and neighborhood connected with their history in Portland, and weighed this with the history of the street's current namesake, Benjamin Stark. Along with certifying that the application met the criteria of the code, the panel unanimously expressed their support for the eventual approval of the proposal.

If the panel can provide any further information, please feel free to call upon us.

Best regards,

Kerry Tymchuk
Chair, Historian Panel
Executive Director, Oregon Historical Society

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Dan Saltzman Commissioner Leah Treat Director

April 30, 2018

Portland Planning & Sustainability Commission
 1900 SW 4th Ave Suite 229
 Portland OR 97204

Re: Budget Impact Statement related to renaming a city street to SW Harvey Milk St.

This letter serves as a budget impact statement to the Planning & Sustainability Commission for costs associated with renaming a city street as described in City Code Title 17.93.040. The code states *"The City Engineer shall prepare and submit to the Planning Commission a budget impact statement as to the direct cost of production and installation of new street name signs and related City costs."*

Background

In February 2018 Harvey Milk committee submitted a street renaming application to the City Engineer to rename SW Stark St between W. Burnside and SW Naito Pkwy. On February 7, 2018, City Council unanimously passed an ordinance to grant a waiver to this application in order to allow the application to move forward in good faith renaming SW Stark Street only, not Stark throughout the City. The City Engineer accepted this application and the applicants proceeded with collecting a petition of roughly 2,806 signatures in support from residents of the City.

As prescribed by City Code, the Commissioner-in-Charge of PBOT, Dan Saltzman, appointed a four-member Historian Panel which recently held a public meeting to review the application and discuss the appropriateness of naming a street for Harvey Milk. On April 2, 2018 the Panel voted that Harvey Milk was an appropriate honoree for whom to rename a street and expressed their unanimous support for the renaming of SW Stark St. to SW Harvey Milk. The Historian Panel's support letter has been sent to the Planning & Sustainability Commission.

Cost

The Portland Bureau of Transportation Maintenance Operations has provided the following estimated costs for sign replacement (Table 1). City code requires that new street signs be installed adjacent to the existing signs for a period of five years at which time the original



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street signs are to be removed. New street signs will meet the new street sign standard that increases sign visibility. Included in these costs are sign manufacturing, sign installation, traffic control, and removal of exiting signs five years from the date of the new sign installation.

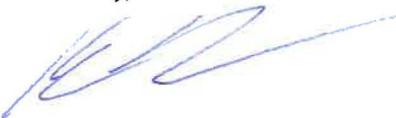
Table 1

Corridor	Total Intersections	Total Street Name Signs	Initial Installation	Remove/Replace after 5-yr Interim	Total Cost	Rounded with 20% contingency
SW Stark St.	13	26	\$ 5,200	\$ 1,500	\$ 6,700	\$ 8,040

Next Steps

City Code requires the Planning & Sustainability Commission hold a public hearing and make a recommendation on the proposed renaming to the City Council. The City Engineer would request that the Planning & Sustainability Commission consider this budget impact statement, the recommendations of the Historian Panel and public testimony at the May 15th, 2018 commission hearing and make a recommendation to the City Council.

Sincerely,



Kurt Krueger, Development Services Division
Bureau of Transportation



MEMORANDUM

VIA EMAIL

Date: May 7, 2018

To: Planning and Sustainability Commission,
c/o Julie Ocken, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability

From: Toni Anderson, Council Clerk/Contracts Supervisor

CC: Auditor Mary Hull Caballero
Stacy Brewster, Commissioner Saltzman's Office
Kurt Krueger, Bureau of Transportation

Re: Street Renaming Postcard Survey Results for SW Stark Street

1. Background

As required by City Code Section 17.93.040 D., this office is reporting to the Planning and Sustainability Commission the results of the street renaming postcard surveys for SW Stark - the proposed street specified in the application submitted to the City Engineer by the Harvey Milk Street Project Committee.

Survey mailings were mailed to legal owners and occupants of properties abutting SW Stark on April 2, 2018. As required by Code, postcards were due to the Auditor no later than 30 days, or 5:00 p.m., May 3, 2018, to be tabulated and reported to the Planning and Sustainability Commission.

In addition to the survey postcard, survey mailings contained: basic information on the street renaming process; and information on upcoming hearings of the Planning and Sustainability Commission and City Council (complete mailer example attached to this memo).

The tear-off survey postcard provided recipients the opportunity to mark their support or opposition to the proposed street renaming. The SW Stark survey is shown on Page 2 of this memo as an example.



Survey on proposed street renaming of SW Stark Street

Please check one of the following:

I support renaming SW Stark Street (from W Burnside to SW Naito Parkway) to "SW Harvey Milk Street."

OR

I oppose renaming SW Stark Street (from W Burnside to SW Naito Parkway) to "SW Harvey Milk Street."

Your response will be tabulated and reported to the Planning and Sustainability Commission if the City Auditor receives your postcard no later than 5:00 p.m., May 3, 2018.

2. Results

This office has tabulated all street renaming postcard survey responses received by 5:00 p.m., May 3, 2018. "Other" response had both boxes checked on the postcard. The results are as follows:

Support	Oppose	Other	Total Received	% Support	% Oppose	% Other	Total Sent	Return Rate
46	67	1	114	40.4%	58.8%	.9%	568	20.1%

3. Applicable City Code

17.93.040 Review of Application and Public Hearings.

(Amended by Ordinance Nos. 182389 and 184046, effective September 10, 2010.) Upon receipt of the applicant's packet, the City shall process the application as follows:

- D. Concurrent with the Historian Panel review under Subsection C. of this Section, the Auditor shall conduct a postcard mailing survey of each legal owner and each legal address abutting the street in question, notifying them that there will be public hearings by the Planning and Sustainability Commission and City Council regarding the proposed street renaming and requesting the occupant and owner's input within 30 calendar days, as to the proposed name change. The Auditor shall also receive and tabulate all responses to the postcard survey and forward the results to the City Planning and Sustainability Commission.

**CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON**

Proposed Street to be Renamed: SW Stark Street (from W Burnside to SW Naito Parkway)

Proposed Name Change: SW Harvey Milk Street

Organization: Harvey Milk Street Project (www.harveymilkpdx.org)

For more information on the street renaming process, go to the City of Portland website: www.portlandoregon.gov, or call the City of Portland, Bureau of Transportation at (503) 823-5185.

Street Renaming Survey (Tear-Off Postcard in This Mailer)

The City of Portland is required to survey each legal owner and each legal address abutting the proposed street. Attached to this mailer is a tear-off survey postcard on the proposed street renaming. Please tear off your completed postcard survey and mail it (no postage is required). The City Auditor will report the survey results to the Planning and Sustainability Commission. **Postcards must be received by the City Auditor no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 3, 2018 to be tabulated and reported.**

Public Hearing Dates and Locations

Please note that public testimony is invited at all public hearings.

Planning and Sustainability Commission

City Code requires Planning and Sustainability Commission to make a recommendation to the City Council on the proposed street renaming. The Planning and Sustainability Commission will conduct a public hearing on the proposed street renaming on the following date:

May 15, 2018, 4:00 p.m.

1900 SW 4th Avenue, Suite 2500 (second floor), Portland, OR 97201

For more information on the Planning and Sustainability Commission, go to www.portlandoregon.gov/bps or call (503) 823-7700.

City Council

The City Council will make the final decision on the proposed street renaming. The City Council will also conduct a hearing tentatively scheduled for June 14, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. You may submit written testimony to the Council Clerk at cctestimony@portlandoregon.gov or by mail: Portland City Auditor, 1221 SW 4th Avenue, Room 130, Portland, OR 97204.

Translation, interpretation, accommodation, or modification requests for public hearings

The City of Portland complies with all non-discrimination, Civil Rights laws including Civil Rights Title VI and ADA Title II. To request translation, interpretation, accommodation, modifications, or additional information, please contact the Commission or the Council Clerk by phone at least five (5) business days prior to the hearing:

Planning and Sustainability Commission Hearing: 503-823-7700 or use City TTY 503-823-6868, or Oregon Relay Service: 711.

City Council Hearing: 503-823-4022 or use City TTY 503-823-6868, or Oregon Relay Service: 711.

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Tear off your completed postcard survey and mail it as soon as possible (no postage is required)

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Proposed Street Renaming: Survey and Notice of Public Hearings

Mailed April 2, 2018

The City of Portland Bureau of Transportation has received an Application to Rename a City street "SW Harvey Milk Street."

- Inside this mailer: details on street renaming public hearings, including dates and locations.
- Inside this mailer: tear-off postcard survey on the proposed street renaming (results will be reported to the Planning and Sustainability Commission).

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Office of the City Auditor
1221 SW 4th Avenue, Room 130
Portland, Oregon 97204





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June 1, 2018

Mayor and City Commissioners:

On May 15, 2018, the Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council renaming SW Stark Street to SW Harvey Milk Street.

This hearing followed a City Council hearing February 7, 2018, to waive City Code and allow this application to move forward to rename only SW Stark St and not Stark St throughout the city, as well as a meeting of an appointed Historian Panel that was held on April 2, 2018.

The PSC was provided with the applicant's original application; letters of support from the Downtown Neighborhood Association and Harvey Milk's surviving nephew, L. Stuart Milk, president of the Harvey Milk Foundation; a list of endorsing LGBTQ organizations and community members, as well as area businesses along and nearby SW Stark; a unanimous recommendation letter from the Historian Panel; a budget impact statement from the Portland Bureau of Transportation; and the results of a City Auditor survey of all addressees on or abutting SW Stark St. Also, prior to the hearing the Commission received one letter from a SW Stark St business owner in support of the renaming.

At our May 15 meeting, Stacy Brewster, staff to City Commissioner Dan Saltzman, who has been walking the applicants through the process since September of 2017, provided an overview of the proposal. Among aspects discussed were the purpose and history of street renamings in Portland, as well as the history of the LGBTQ community in Downtown Portland on and surrounding SW Stark St. Staff indicated that discussions were already underway with the Regional Arts & Culture Council, PBOT, LGBTQ organizations and community members, about using this as an opportunity, through murals, historical markers, etc., to raise awareness about LGBTQ history in the Portland region and to honor those figures, organizations and locations significant to the history of LGBTQ civil rights in Portland and the Pacific Northwest.

The Commission asked staff about the results of the auditor's survey of SW Stark and abutting addressees. Of the 114 respondents, 67 indicated their opposition to the renaming. Staff discussed the Commission's role and, ultimately, City Council's in weighing respondents to the Auditor's anonymous survey - which could include duplicated property owners or addressees abutting but not on SW Stark St - with the applicant's ability to gather 2,800+ signatures in support in less than three weeks. Applicants also indicated in oral testimony that they had garnered endorsements of a majority of street-level businesses on SW Stark St. All other oral testimony before the Commission supported the choice of Harvey Milk and the street renaming.



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As has been indicated in past street renamings, our city streets provide context and structure for all Portlanders. Many streets in Portland are named for 19th Century figures important to the city and the country. As the city has grown, it's important to recognize the positive contributions of other prominent figures, as indicated by City Code for street renaming.

The Commission concurs with the Historian Panel's assessment that Harvey Milk fits all criteria as an appropriate person after whom a street may be renamed and agrees that SW Stark St is an appropriate location for the renaming.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Katherine Schultz", is centered on the page. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Katherine Schultz
Chair

