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TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: Civic Asset Naming Committee
SUBJECT: Naming of West End Lanes and New Temporary City Hall Plaza

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT the existing lane located between Alberni Street and Robson Street which runs from Burrard Street to west of Bute Street, and from Jervis Street to Chilco Street, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix A, be named as "Eihu Lane".
- B. THAT the existing lane located between Robson Street and Haro Street which runs from Burrard Street to Lagoon Drive, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix B, be named as "Rosemary Brown Lane".
- C. THAT the existing lane located between Haro Street and Barclay Street which runs from Smithe Street to west of Cardero Street, and from Denman Street to Lagoon Drive, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix C, be named as "Stovold Lane".
- D. THAT the existing lane located between Barclay Street and Nelson Street which runs from Burrard Street to Stanley Park, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix D, be named as "ted northe Lane".
- E. THAT the existing lane located between Comox Street and Pendrell Street which runs from Thurlow Street to Cardero Street, and from Bidwell Street to Stanley Park, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix E, be named as "Jepson-Young Lane".

- F. THAT the existing lane located between Pendrell Street and Davie Street which runs from Burrard Street to Denman Street, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix F, be named as "See-em-ia Lane".
- G. THAT the existing lane located between Davie Street and Burnaby Street which runs from Burrard Street to Denman Street, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix G, be named as "Pantages Lane".
- H. THAT the existing lane located between Harwood Street and Beach Avenue/Pacific Street which runs from Burrard Street to Cardero Street, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix H, be named as "Jung Lane".
- I. THAT the existing lane located between Nelson and Comox Streets which runs from Burrard Street to Thurlow Street, from Bute Street to Nicola Street, from Bidwell Street to west of Bidwell Street, and from Denman Street to Stanley Park, as shown on the graphic attached as Appendix I, be named as "Henshaw Lane", as it is an extension of the existing lane.
- J. THAT the new temporary plaza at City Hall, located on the site previously occupied by the East Wing of City Hall, be named "Gutteridge Plaza".
- K. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the appropriate amendments to the Street Name By-law.

REPORT SUMMARY

During 2014 and 2015, the Civic Asset Naming Committee assigned names to be used for lanes in the West End. In response to the opportunity presented by the City's 150+ Naming Project in 2017, the Committee now recommends these names be approved by Council.

COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Council uses the Street Name By-Law, No. 4054, to name and regulate public roads in the City of Vancouver. The Civic Asset Naming Committee was established by Council on February 29, 2012, and re-established on December 16, 2014. The Committee approves names to be added to the Names Reserve List based on input from staff regarding compliance with naming policies and guidelines and also recommends names to Council for new streets and roads, development areas, pedestrian and cycling infrastructure, and other City-owned assets and facilities (excluding Parks and Library assets).

CITY MANAGER'S/GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The City Manager submits the foregoing for consideration.

REPORT

Background/Context

A development request has been received for a property backing on to the lane running between Pendrell and Davie Streets, and the lane will therefore require a name for addressing purposes. This is the third West End lane to require a name since the West End Community Plan was approved by Council on November 20, 2013. A portion of Henshaw Lane (between Nelson and Comox Streets, bounded by Bidwell and Nicola Streets) was named in December 2014 and the entirety of Maxine Lane (between Burnaby and Harwood Streets) was named in December 2016.

The 33 foot wide laneways typical of the West End present an opportunity to develop ground-oriented infill housing and to enhance the laneways as more walkable public spaces, potentially with improved lighting, gardens, landscaping, and traffic calming, while still maintaining integral servicing, parking and utility functions. This overall strategy is referred to as "Laneways 2.0" throughout the West End Community plan. The Civic Asset Naming Committee sees the strategy as an opportunity to recognize a number of individuals with strong connections to the West End.

To this end, the Committee approved motions in 2014 and 2015 for some names already on the Civic Asset Name Reserve List to be assigned to particular West End lanes. The Committee also added a number of names to the Reserve List, each assigned to a particular lane, with the intention to forward these names to Council for approval as development projects appeared on the lanes. Henshaw Lane and Maxine Lane were the first names approved as a result of this process.

With City Council's approval of the City's 150+ Naming Project in March 2017, which seeks in part to name "currently unnamed civic assets to better reflect the diversity of individuals who have made significant contributions to Vancouver," the Committee sees a unique opportunity to expedite commemoration of the remaining individuals.

Naming the remaining lanes now reflects the spirit of 150+, and from a practical perspective, ensures all lanes are fully identified in permit tracking and emergency response systems. The names chosen for the West End lanes honour women, indigenous persons and members of the LGBTQ+ community.

The recommended names are as follows:

"Eihu Lane" for the lane which runs between Alberni and Robson Streets. With his family, Eihu was one of the original settlers at Kanaka Ranch, an informal settlement of native Hawaiians on the south shore of Coal Harbour, near Stanley Park.

"Rosemary Brown Lane" for the lane which runs between Robson and Haro Streets. Rosemary Brown (1930-2003) was the first black woman to be elected to a Canadian provincial legislature. After departing politics, she became a professor of Women's Studies at SFU and was later appointed Chief Commissioner of the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

"Stovold Lane" for the lane which runs between Haro and Barclay Streets. Kathleen (Kay) Stovold (1911-2001) was a community advocate and volunteer for seniors and people with

disabilities. In 1979 she cofounded and was president of the West End Seniors Network (Barclay Manor). The WESN operates Kay's Place, a seniors' drop-in centre in Denman Place Mall.

"ted northe Lane" for the lane which runs between Barclay and Nelson Streets. ted northe (1937-2014) was a leader in the fight against AIDS and in defining the modern LGBTQ+ community and human rights movement in Canada. He was responsible for many organizational "firsts" including the Gay Businessmen's Guild, and was involved in organizing the first Pride Parade in Vancouver.

"Jepson-Young Lane" for the lane which runs between Comox and Pendrell Streets. Dr. Peter Jepson-Young (1957-1992) was a medical doctor in Vancouver who was diagnosed with AIDS in 1985. He created the TV series "Dr. Peter Diaries" which did much to educate the public about HIV and AIDS and put a human face on the disease.

"See-em-ia Lane" for the lane which runs between Pendrell and Davie Streets. Mary See-em-ia was the granddaughter of Chief Capilano and wife of indigenous Hawaiians Eihu and Joe Nahanee. She and her family were residents of Kanaka Ranch, the Hawaiian settlement on the shore of Coal Harbour.

"Pantages Lane" for the lane which runs between Davie and Burnaby Streets. Peter Basil Pantages (1901-1971) was a restaurateur and Polar Bear Club founder. The proprietor of the Peter Pan Café at 1180 Granville Street, Pantages established the Polar Bear swimming club and served as its director for 51 years.

"Jung Lane" for the lane which runs between Harwood Street and Beach Avenue/Pacific Street. Vivian Jung (1924-2014), born in Merritt, BC, became the first Chinese-Canadian teacher hired by the Vancouver School Board. During her teacher training Vivian was required to obtain a lifesaving certificate. City policy at the Crystal Pool at Sunset Beach prevented Vivian from entering and swimming with her fellow students and teachers. In response, the group refused to enter without Vivian and, with that action, the long-standing colour bar at the City's only public swimming pool ended. With her teaching certificate she was hired at Tecumseh school where she taught for 35 years.

Furthermore, the creation of a new temporary plaza on the site previously occupied by City Hall's East Wing provides a unique opportunity to honour the spirit of 150+ and commemorate the first woman elected to Vancouver City Council. Helena Gutteridge (1880-1960) was a suffragist, labour activist, and served as alderman from March 1937 to December 1939. The founder of the BC Women's Suffrage League, she took a leading role in the Vancouver Trades and Labour Council and was a member of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation. A Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada plaque honouring Gutteridge as a national historic person was unveiled at City Hall on April 21st, 2017. The plaza is temporary, so upon the redevelopment of the site, an appropriate permanent asset will be named to honour Helena Gutteridge.

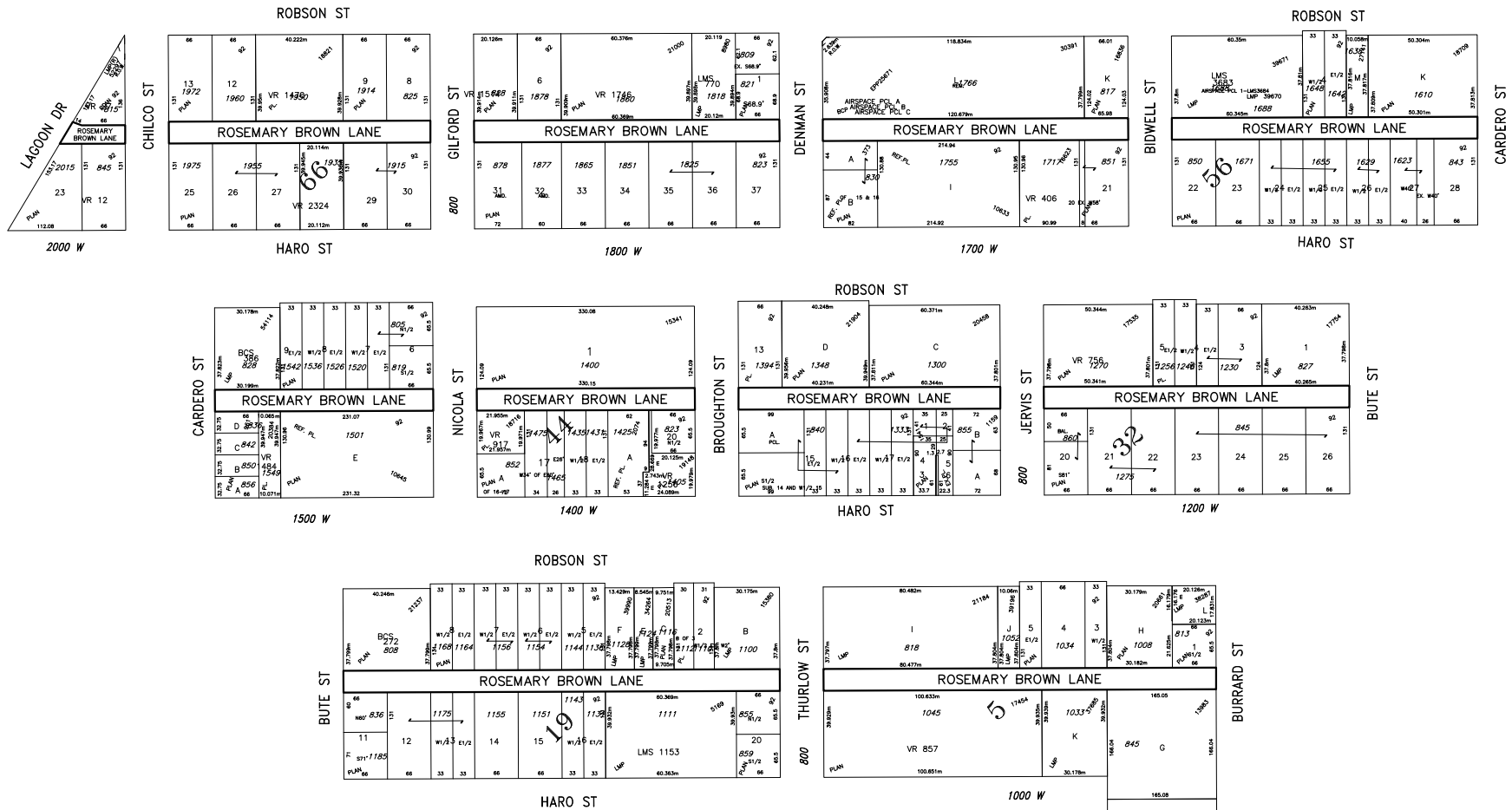
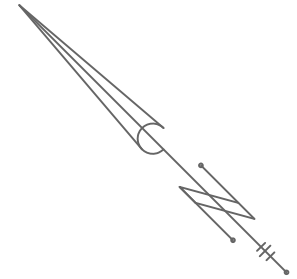
*Implications/Related Issues/Risk (if applicable)**Financial*

Engineering Services has estimated that there are approximately 123 locations for the new lane name signs at a total estimated fabrication and installation cost of \$37,000.00. There are also on-going costs related to theft and damage. It is expected that the installations will be conducted over a number of months in 2018. Engineering Services cost centre 32700 will be used to fund the fabrication and installation.

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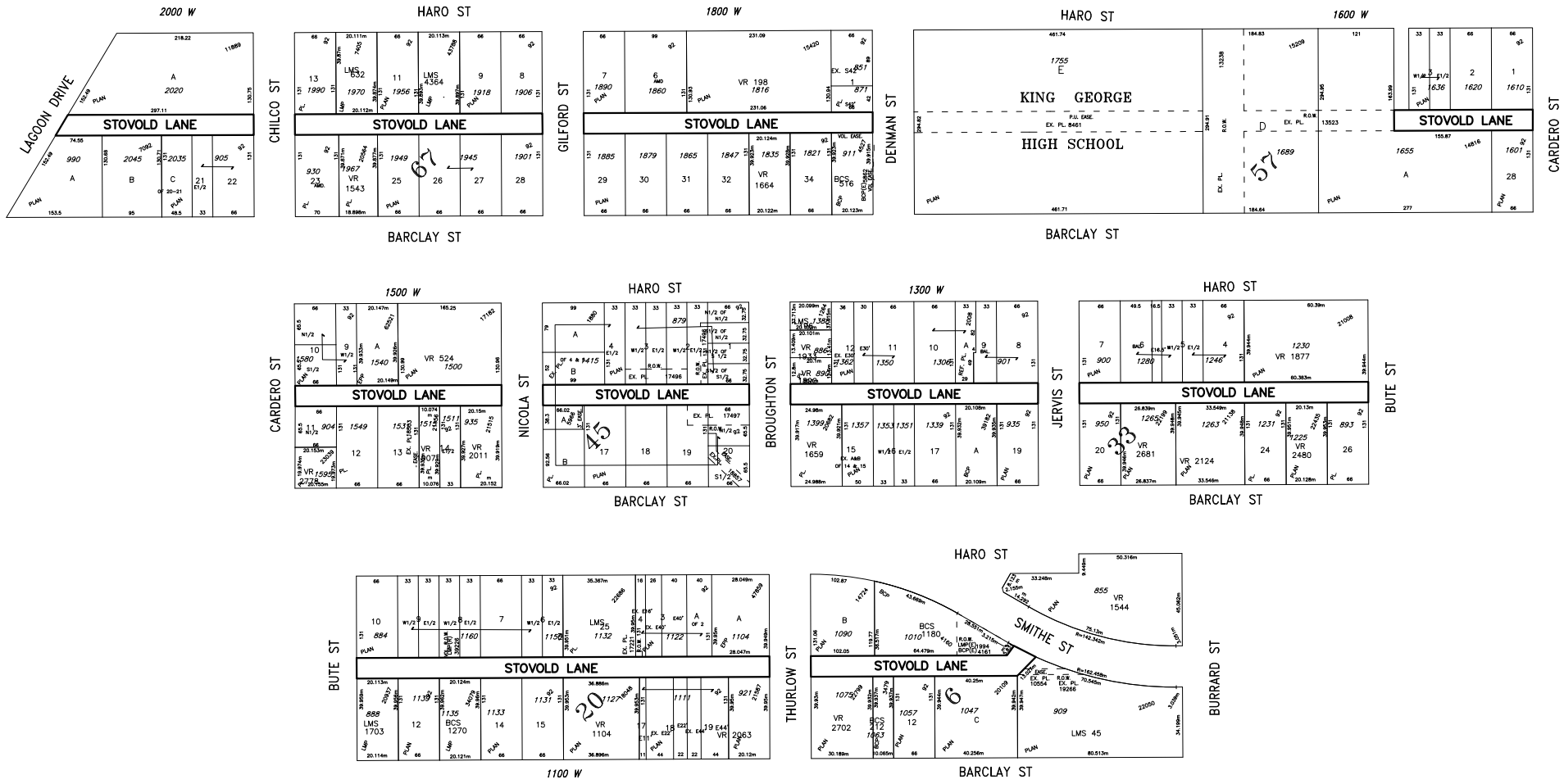
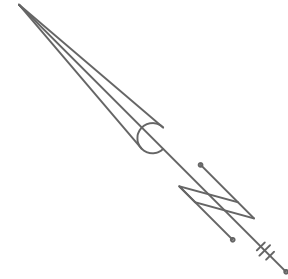
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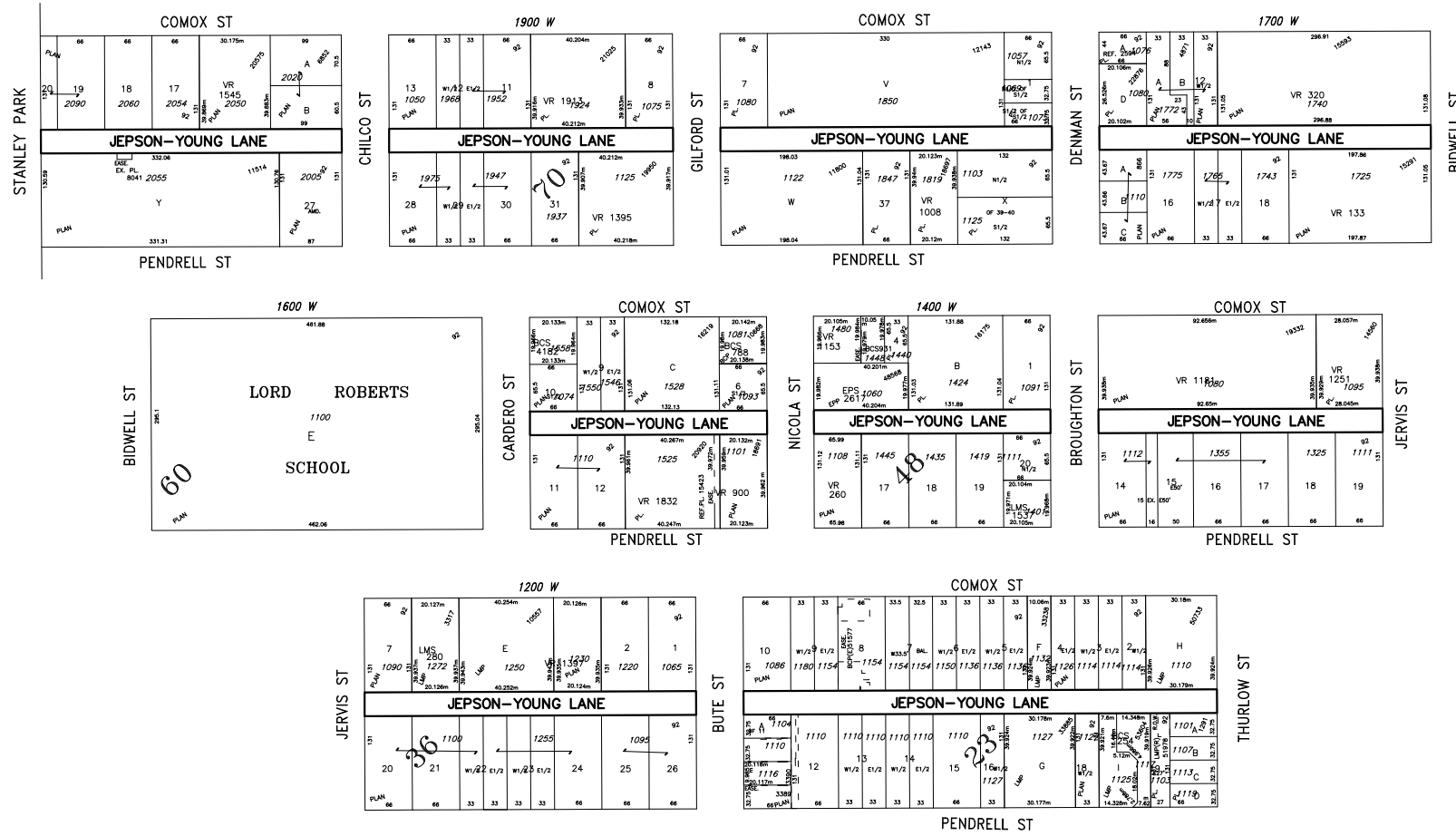
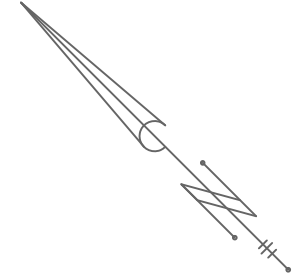
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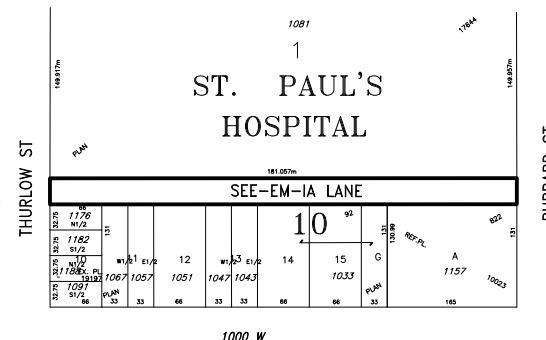
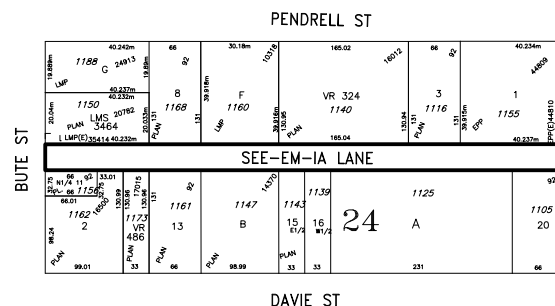
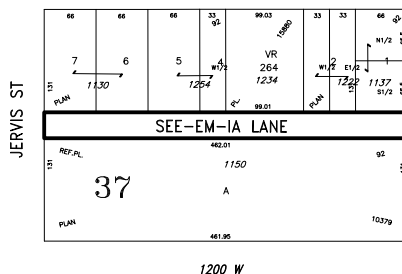
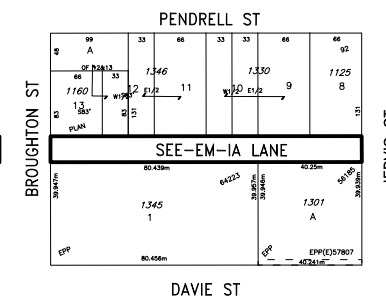
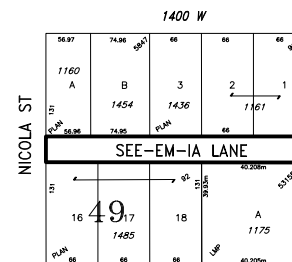
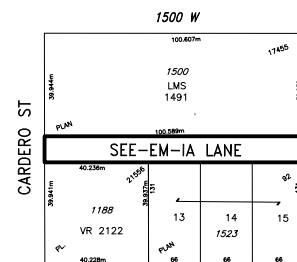
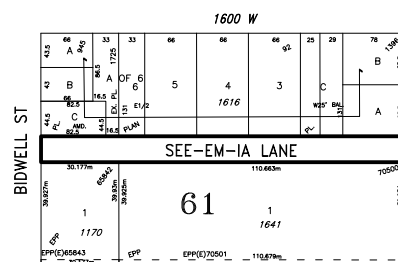
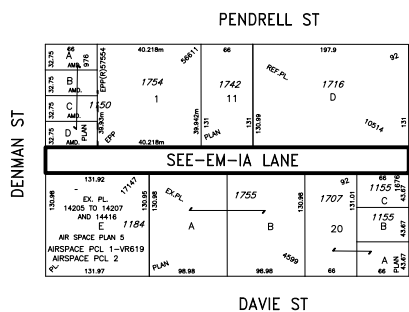
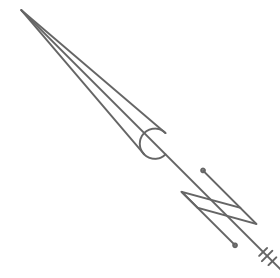
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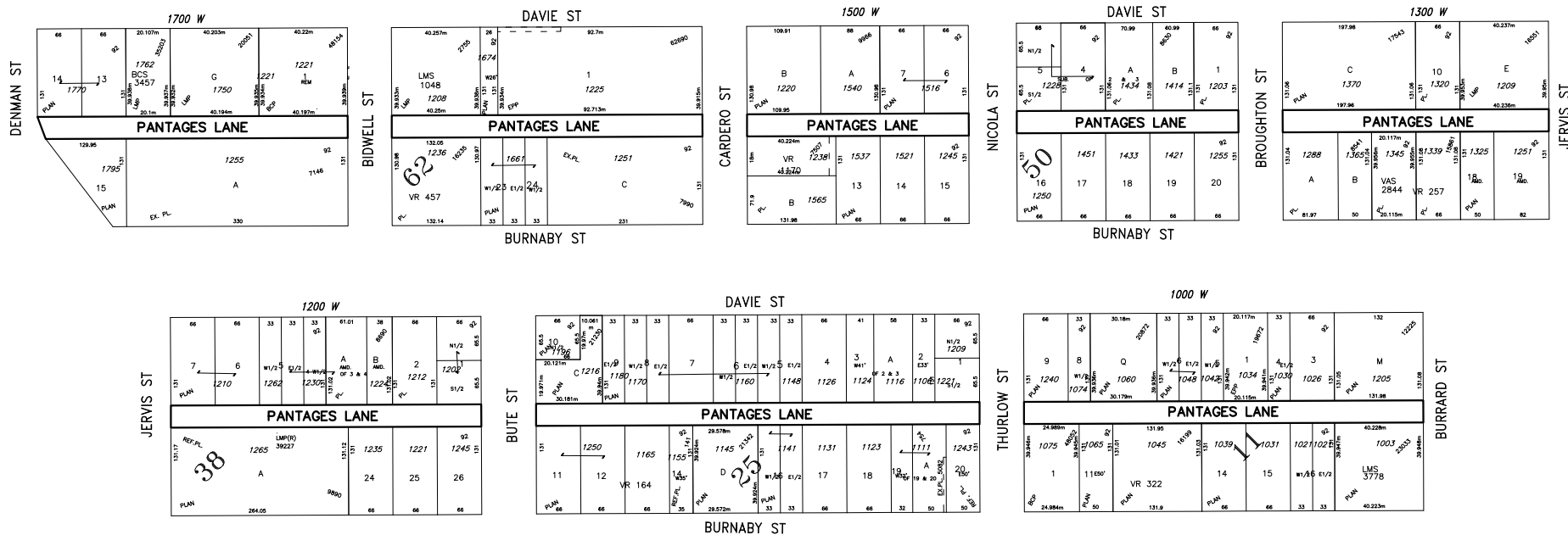
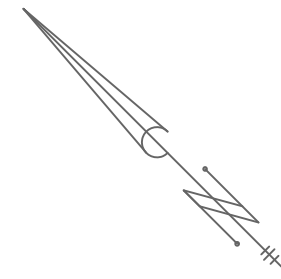
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