



NAMING COMMITTEE

2021 Annual Report and 2022 Work Plan

RECOMMENDATION

That the April 27, 2022, Office of the City Clerk report OCC00963, be received for information.

Report Purpose

Information only.

REPORT

Introduction

At the April 27, 2022, City Council Non-Regular, Erin McDonald, Chair, will present the 2021 Annual Report and 2022 Work Plan.

The Naming Committee is City Council-appointed and operates under *Bylaw 17138 Naming Committee* and City Policy C509C *Naming Municipal Assets*. The committee consists of seven members of which six are citizens-at-large and one is appointed by the Edmonton Historical Board. The committee meets once a month.

City of Edmonton's Naming Committee 2021-2022 membership

Erin McDonald	Chair
Carrie-Ann Lunde	Vice-Chair / Edmonton Historical Board Representative
Debra Ayling	Citizen at large
Matthew Dance	Citizen at large
Alyssa Lefebvre	Citizen at large
Marla Miller	Citizen at large
Maryanne Wiebe	Citizen at large

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Mandate

The primary function of naming municipal assets is to recognize and commemorate:

- Municipal partnerships with Indigenous communities;
- Local Indigenous histories;
- Edmonton's diverse communities, both historical and growing, and their contributions; and
- The flora, fauna and natural features of the community.

Highlights and Approvals in 2021

Revised Naming Municipal Assets Policy (C509C)

City Council approved a new Naming Policy on August 24, 2021 as recommended by the Naming Committee. City Policy C509C has been revised to include enhanced language that reflects Edmontonians' community values of equity and inclusion with prioritization and focus on Indigenous place names. The revised Policy contains a new renaming section to provide guidance for future renaming applications to be considered by the Naming Committee. The Policy also required reformatting to ensure consistency with the new Corporate Policy Framework.

Edmonton Gibran Khalil Gibran Park

The Naming Committee approved the application to name a park within the Beaumaris Neighbourhood as Edmonton Gibran Khalil Gibran Park. Gibran Khalil Gibran is a historical and unifying icon to the Lebanese community and a key figure in a Romantic movement that transformed Arabic literature. He wrote much about his longing and admiration for his homeland of Lebanon. Gibran has impacted the lives of the Lebanese community and significantly impacted the Arabic world.

Joey Moss Park

The Naming Committee approved the naming of a park within the Keswick Neighbourhood as Joey Moss Park. Joey Moss captured the hearts of Edmontonians for decades. He became a household name for the Edmonton Oilers and the Edmonton Elks working as a dressing room attendant for both organizations starting in the 1980s. Players and fans alike looked up to Joey for his passion, positive attitude and incredible work ethic. He taught many people about acceptance and inclusivity through his work and community involvement with both organizations.

Naming Committee Approvals in 2021

Park and Open Space Names	
Location/Neighbourhood	Approved Names
Beaumaris	Edmonton Gibran Khalil Gibran Park
Hawrelak Park	The Community League Plaza

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Delwood	Marilyn & Richard Nichols Green
Windermere	Washburn Park
Keswick	Joey Moss Park
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Neighbourhood Names	
Location/Neighbourhood	Approved Names
Windermere Area (ASP)	Kendal Neighbourhood

Municipal Facility Names	
Location/Neighbourhood	Approved Names
Woodcroft (Coronation Park)	Coronation Park Sports and Recreation Centre

Road and Honorary Road Names	
Location/Neighbourhood	Approved Names
Cavanagh	Collip View
Woodcroft (Coronation Park)	Ian McLellan Way
Spruce Avenue	Don Smitten Way

Work Plan

The Naming Committee continues a thoughtful, holistic review of naming applications to reflect the newly approved City Policy C509C that reflects Edmontonians' diverse and inclusive community values.

The Naming Committee will be working with the Grandin Working Circle to bring recommendations for a new name for the former Grandin/Government Centre LRT Station that contributes to reconciliation.

The Naming Committee is also participating in the River Valley Alliance's initiative to name one continuous trail from the Town of Devon through the City of Edmonton to the City of Fort Saskatchewan. This 100 km trail name will ensure the trail is seen as a single, unified, marketable entity and enhance the North Saskatchewan River Valley park system as a world class recreation and natural park attraction.