



CIVIC ASSET NAMING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

November 25, 2019

A meeting of the Civic Asset Naming Committee was held on Monday, November 25, 2019, at 5:39pm, in the Cascadia Room, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Felix-Marie Badeau, Co-Chair
John Atkin, Co-Chair
Fahrah Mawani*
Kyla Epstein
Sara Jellicoe (Vancouver Public Space Network)
Kyle Krawchuk
Madeleine de Trenquayle (Vancouver Historical Society)

ABSENT: Annie Danilko (Leave of Absence)
Mali Bain (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Adriane Carr, Council Liaison
Heather Gordon, City Archivist, Staff Liaison
David Parkin, City Surveyor

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator
Rowena Choi, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Welcome and Roll Call

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and we thank them for their generosity on these lands.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Kyla Epstein
SECONDED by Kyle Krawchuk

THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee approve leaves of absence for Annie Danilko and Mali Bain.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Fahrah Mawani absent for the vote)

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MOVED by John Atkin
SECONDED by Felix-Marie Badeau

THAT item 4 be dealt with prior to the Approval of Minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Fahrah Mawani absent for the vote)

For clarity, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.

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4. Liaison Updates

Councillor Adriane Carr, Council Liaison, provided brief comments on the proposed Seńákŵ Development in Kitsilano and noted that it may result in some naming opportunities for the Committee.

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Kyle Krawchuk
SECONDED by Kyla Epstein

THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of September 23, 2019, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Street Naming Requests from Staff

a. Oakridge Development

The Committee received two presentations regarding naming requests for the Oakridge Development.

Michael Schwartz, Director of Community Engagement with the Jewish Museum and Archives of BC, and Nico Slobinsky, Director of the Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs, provided a brief overview of the contributions and influence of the Jewish Community in the Oakridge neighbourhood and recommended the following naming suggestions:

- i) Shalom – broadly defined as peace but in Hebrew, the definition goes beyond that and has a wholeness that encourages one to give back.
- ii) Tikkun Olam – Hebrew for “repairing the world”.
- iii) Tzedek – derived from the word zakah, meaning clear or pure.

Following the presentation, the presenters responded to questions and comments from the Committee indicating that they are also open to their naming suggestions being placed on the Civic Asset Name Reserve List for other assets in the City.

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Rhiannon Mabberley, Development Manager, Westbank Projects, provided a presentation on the rationale behind the naming convention of “High Street” in the Oakridge Development and described the developer’s concept for the street requiring a name.

b. Choy Yuen Crescent - Tag Line

MOVED by Kyle Krawchuk

SECONDED by Madeleine de Trenquayle

THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee approve the following wording as the tag line on the Choy Yuen street sign:

“Cantonese term for market gardens in the area, 1900-1960”;

FURTHER THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee approve including the Chinese characters on top of the English spelling of Choy Yuen on the street sign.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. Pearson Dogwood – Markovich Street

The Civic Asset Naming Committee considered a request to rename Markovich Street. Following discussion, the Committee agreed to not rename the street.

2. Review of Naming Proposals Submitted by the Public

a. Komagata Maru

The City Surveyor provided an update on the City of Vancouver and Port of Vancouver boundaries and advised the Committee that the Main Street overpass is owned by the port and is not an asset that can be named by the City. The request will be discussed further at a future meeting.

b. Lane Name Request – 1040 Pacific Street

The Committee agreed to discuss this naming request further at a future meeting.

3. Approval of 2020 Meeting Schedule

MOVED by John Atkin

SECONDED by Felix-Marie Badeau

THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee approve the 2020 Meeting Schedule as circulated at its meeting on November 25, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. New Business

The Committee agreed to provide time on future agendas for the member representatives from the Vancouver Public Space Network and Vancouver Historical Society to provide updates from their organization relevant to the Committee's work.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Sara Jellicoe
SECONDED by Kyla Epstein

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: January 27, 2020
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Cascadia Room
Third Floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 6:54pm

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