



CIVIC ASSET NAMING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 27, 2021

A meeting of the Civic Asset Naming Committee was held on Monday, September 27, 2021, at 5:36 pm, by electronic means.

PRESENT: Kyle Krawchuk, Chair
Stephanie Ameyaw, Racial and Ethno-Cultural Equity Advisory Committee
Madeleine de Trenquallye, Vancouver Historical Society
Sara Jellicoe*, Vancouver Public Space Network
Darius Maze, Vice-Chair
Michael Schwartz

ABSENT: Spencer Perry (Leave of Absence)
Cinnamon Bhayani, Urban Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee (Leave of Absence)

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

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rowena Choi, Meeting Coordinator
Ana Denissenko, Committee Clerk

WELCOME

The Acting Chair, Kyle Krawchuk, welcomed members and acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh and we thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Darius Maze
SECONDED by Michael Schwartz

THAT Spencer Perry be granted a Leave of Absence from the Civic Asset Naming Committee meeting on September 27, 2021.

FURTHER THAT Cinnamon Bhayani be granted a Leave of Absence from the Civic Asset Naming Committee meeting on September 27, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Sarah Jellicoe
SECONDED by Darius Maze

THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of July 26, 2021, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Chair and Vice-Chair Selection

Prior to the start of this item, the Acting Chair deferred to the Meeting Coordinator to guide Committee members through the election process.

a. Chair Selection

Following due process, it was

MOVED by Darius Maze
SECONDED by Stephanie Ameyaw

THAT the Committee appoint Kyle Krawchuk as Chair for the Civic Asset Naming Committee for the term 2021-2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Vice-Chair Selection

Following discussions, it was

MOVED by Kyle Krawchuk
SECONDED by Sarah Jellicoe

THAT the Committee appoint Darius Maze as Vice-Chair for the Civic Asset Naming Committee for the term 2021-2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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At this point in the meeting, Kyle Krawchuk assumed the role of Chair.

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2. Street Naming Requests from Staff

a. Plaza of Nations site

The Chair introduced the item and the Committee engaged in discussions including a recap of the progress.

Following discussions, the City Surveyor commented that City staff have inquiries for the developer and will provide an update to the Committee when additional information is received.

The Committee agreed that further discussion and consideration will resume at a future meeting following the receipt of updates from staff.

b. Old Dueck site

The Chair introduced the item and provided a brief recap of the progress.

Following the introduction, the City Surveyor commented that City staff have inquiries for the developer and will provide an update to the Committee when additional information is received.

The Committee agreed that further discussion and consideration will resume at a future meeting following the receipt of updates from staff.

3. Review of Naming Proposals Submitted by the Public

a. Siamelaht

MOVED by Darius Maze

SECONDED by Michael Schwartz

WHEREAS

1. Siamelaht (pronounced 'See - Am - A - Lot') was born in ƧwáƧway, inside Stanley Park, Vancouver, British Columbia.
2. Siamelaht was an outspoken individual that spoke to the history on how some of the City assets were named. Siamelaht grew up in the Kitsilano area before Vancouver was founded and later became the wife of one of the "Pioneers of Granville (Granville 100)".

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee recognizes that the name "Siamelaht" sounds very similar to See-em-ia, the name given to the West End lane between Pendrell and Davie Streets in 2017, therefore, would be considered a duplication of an existing street name and the Committee is unable to support the public street asset naming request for public safety reasons;

FURTHER THAT the Civic Asset Naming Committee recommend that the name "Siamelaht" be placed in the "Referenced" section of Civic Asset Name Reserve List for a non-street asset.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Sara Jellicoe absent for the vote)

The Committee agreed that, along with the Committee's decision, an elaboration be provided when responding to the requestor regarding timelines and protocols involved with Indigenous asset.

4. Liaison Updates

Council Liaisons Carr and De Genova provided a brief introduction of the establishment of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) Committee in the City of Vancouver following Councillor Boyle's member's motion that was approved unanimously back at the Standing Committee meeting on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on March 10, 2021. The Task Force Work Plan for the UNDRIP Committee will be reported at a future Council meeting.

The City Archivist and City Surveyor provided a brief update regarding the progress of the Committee's previously recommended street naming proposals, Bulrush Avenue, Oak Green site and St. Paul's Hospital site, which will be forthcoming for Council's consideration at future Council meetings.

5. Work Plan Development

Prior to the scheduled meeting, the Meeting Coordinator had circulated electronic copies of the Committee Work Plan template and supplementary materials. The Committee agreed to discuss the Work Plan further at their working session in October.

6. New Business

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Darius Maze
SECONDED by Madeleine de Trenquallye

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Sara Jellicoe absent for the vote)

Next Meeting:

DATE: Monday, November 29, 2021
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: WebEx Online

The Committee adjourned at 6:59 pm.

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