

# AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday, January 12, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. Council Chamber, City Hall

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA
- 3. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES
  - 3.1 Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services
    - 3.1.1. Proposed Renaming Request (File No. CK. 6310-1)

#### Recommendation

That the renaming of 'Kinsmen Arena' to 'Gordie Howe Kinsmen Arena' be approved.

4. ADJOURNMENT



# STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

# **Proposed Renaming Request**

# Recommendation of the Committee

That the renaming of 'Kinsmen Arena' to 'Gordie Howe Kinsmen Arena' be approved.

# History

At the January 5, 2015 Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services meeting, a letter from the Naming Advisory Committee was considered regarding the above matter.

#### Attachment

December 30, 2014 Naming Advisory Committee letter and Report of General Manager, Community Services – December 11, 2014.



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December 30, 2014

# Secretary, SPC on Planning, Development, and Community Services

Dear Secretary:

Re: Addition of Name to the Names Master List AND Renaming Request (File No. CK. 6310-1)

Please place the following on your agenda of meeting scheduled for January 5, 2015.

At its meeting held on September 11, 2014, the Naming Advisory Committee resolved that the Administration refer the name submission for 'Walko' back to the applicant for further information.

In response, Mr. W. Walko attended the Naming Advisory Committee meeting of December 11, 2014, to speak to the Committee regarding the application in memory of his father. The original application is attached for information (Attachment 1).

At this same meeting, the Committee also considered a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department, dated December 11, 2014 regarding a general naming request – 'Sabo' (Attachment 2). Upon deliberation and review of the policy, the Committee resolved that the 'Sabo' application does not meet the criteria for addition to the Names Master List and that Administration refer the submission to the Canadian Blood Services for potential further recognition.

An additional report (Attachment 3) of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 11, 2014, regarding a (re)naming request submitted on behalf of the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon was then considered.

After consideration of the above matters, the Naming Advisory Committee puts forward the following recommendation:

- 1. That the name 'Walko' be added to the Names Master List (Unassigned); and
- 2. That a report be forwarded to City Council recommending the renaming of 'Kinsmen Arena' to 'Gordie Howe Kinsmen Arena'.

NAC Report to SPC on PDCS January 5, 2015 Page 2

Yours truly,

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**Janice Hudson** Committee Assistant, Naming Advisory Committee

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Attachments

His Worship the Mayor, Chair, Naming Advisory Committee cc:

# Naming Advisory Committee Report

### Recommendation

That the Naming Advisory Committee issue direction with respect to the name submission contained within this report.

# **Topic and Purpose**

The Administration requests direction from the Naming Advisory Committee (NAC) with respect to the time-sensitive submission on behalf of the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon.

# **Report Highlights**

1. Direction is required regarding a naming request submitted on behalf of the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon.

# **Strategic Goal**

Under the City of Saskatoon's (City) Strategic Goal of Quality of Life, this report supports the recognition of our built, natural, and cultural heritage. The naming of civic facilities, street, and parks celebrates the history, environment, and outstanding contribution of our diverse community.

# Background

According to the Naming Policy, all requests for naming from the Names Master List will be selected by His Worship the Mayor. All of the names on the Names Master List have been previously screened by the NAC and meet City Council's guidelines for name selection. Name suffixes are circulated through the Administration for technical review.

# Report

# Direction Required (Naming Request)

#### "Gordie Howe"

Kyle Reid, on behalf of the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon and the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Kinsmen Sports Celebrity Dinner, has requested a street or facility to be named after Gordie Howe (see Attachment 2). This request is time-sensitive, as Gordie Howe's family is expected to be in Saskatoon to attend the Kinsmen Sports Celebrity Dinner on February 6, 2015. The request is that a name be applied on or before February 6, 2015, for a small unveiling ceremony as part of the tribute to Gordie Howe.

The name "Gordie Howe" is currently listed as an applied name on the Names Master List, and is used for Gordon Howe Campground, Gordon Howe Park, and Gordon Howe Management Area. In addition, Gordie Howe Lane is a ceremonial lane in front of the SaskTel Centre in AgriPlace. As the name has already been applied it would not require further screening by the NAC; however, there are a number of limiting factors to assigning this name to a street or another facility:

- the Naming Policy stipulates that surnames alone will be used for the naming of streets, urban development areas, and neighbourhoods; thus, "Howe" would be used for a street rather than "Gordie Howe";
- 2) the timing of the naming of streets is not dictated by the City, as requests are made by developers for the naming of streets. For this reason, having a street named by a particular date may not be possible. Some coordination with a developer (Saskatoon Land or otherwise) may be required; and
- 3) the applicant has further suggested the renaming of Kinsmen Arena to Kinsmen Gordie Howe Arena if a street was not available in this specific timeframe. This renaming would require input from relevant stakeholders and would require approval of the NAC and City Council. A renaming in that timeframe would be challenging, in particular if there was opposition.

Due to these concerns, the Administration is requesting further direction on how to respond to this particular request.

#### **Public and/or Stakeholder Involvement**

Should the NAC consider the renaming proposal of the Kinsmen Arena, or another civic facility to be appropriate, those affected would need to be consulted. This would include the Community Consultant, the local Community Association, as well as the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon.

#### **Communication Plan**

No further communication is planned beyond the stakeholder involvement noted above.

#### **Policy Implications**

The screening of requests and suggestions for naming or renaming of municipally owned or controlled facilities, streets, suburban development areas, neighbourhoods, and parks must be in compliance with the Naming Policy.

#### **Other Considerations/Implications**

There are no options, financial, environmental, privacy, or CPTED implications or considerations.

#### Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion

No follow-up is required.

#### Public Notice

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, is not required.

#### Attachments

1. Gordie Howe Submission

# **Report Approval**

Written by: Reviewed by: Approved by: Daniel McLaren, Planner, Planning and Development Alan Wallace, Director of Planning and Development Randy Grauer, General Manager, Community Services Department Gordie Howe Submission

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#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

| APPLICA       | ATION   | FORM             |
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| Name Streets, | Parks & | Civic Properties |

Please complete the attached application form for all new name submissions and requests for re-naming a street, park, or other civic properties.

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|                   |  | ince: <u>SK</u> Postal Code: <u>S7T0P</u> 9 |
| Phone: <u>3</u>   | 06-221-3381 E-ma   | all: Kyle. reid @ affinitycu.co             |
| Į                 | New Name Submission  | Re-naming Request                           |
| Requested Na      | me(s) (please print)   |   |
| Gord              | ie Howe Way  |   |
| Requested Use     |  |   |
|                   | Street Park  | Municipal Facility                          |
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| If this is a requ | uest for re-naming an existing location, ple   | ase indicate the current name:              |
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|                   | DE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS PA<br>n items are attached to the application form)  | RT OF YOUR APPLICATION                      |
| 1                 | . Background Information (Reason for rec   | uest)                                       |
| 2                 | <ol> <li>Short Biography (Given name, date of b<br/>awards, achievements, or other relevant i</li> </ol>   |   |
| Do you wish t     | o speak to the Naming Advisory Committe  | e? YES NO                                   |
| 2<br>S            | ne completed application form to:<br>City of Saskatoon Naming Advisory Committee<br>Community Services Department, Planning &I<br>(22-3rd Avenue North<br>askatoon, SK<br>7K 0J5 |   |
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City of Saskatoon Naming Advisory Committee Community Services Department, Planning & Development Branch 222 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave North Saskatoon, SK \$7K 0J5

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To Whom It May Concern;

On behalf of the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon and the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Kinsmen Sports Celebrity Dinner, I submit the Application herein to have a street named after Gordie Howe. On **Friday February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015**, Gordie Howe and his entire family will be in Saskatoon for the Kinsmen Sports Celebrity Dinner. They have announced this as Gordie's final public appearance due to the unfortunate deterioration of his health.

The Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon will be honoring Gordie Howe, in his hometown, through a special event appropriately called 'A Tribute to Gordie Howe'. Mr. Howe will not be a speaker, however we are in the process of confirming several speakers from the sports and entertainment world to come and share their favorite stories about Mr. Howe. As in the past, the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon would love to partner with the City of Saskatoon to further the tribute and possibly have a small unveiling ceremony during the day on Friday February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015. In discussion with Mayor Atchison on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 he suggested we get the application process underway immediately. Should a street name not be available during the specific timeline, we would appreciate further consideration to rename Kinsmen Arena to Kinsmen Gordie Howe Arena as would be consistent with the area of Gordie Howe Park. This would also have to be approved by the Kinsmen Club as a whole however as a formality.

Mr. Howe likely needs no introduction, therefore; a biography is not attached. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 306-657-6652 or 306-221-3381.

Thank you for considering this application and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Kyle Reid Past Chairman 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Kinsmen Sports Celebrity Dinner Committee