



## REPORT

### Council

**Meeting Date: April 29, 2024**

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**FROM:** Parks and Open Space Department

**DATE:** April 16, 2024

**SUBJECT:** 2024 Park Naming

**LOCATION:** Town-wide

**WARD:** Town-wide

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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the names of all new Parks and Open Spaces, as listed in Table 1 of the report dated April 16, 2024, be approved.

#### **KEY FACTS:**

The following are key points for consideration with respect to this report:

- In accordance with the Park Naming Procedure MS-SPR-001-005 on an annual basis staff will report to Council the names and location for all new parkland. Requests for renaming parks or open spaces is also a function of Council under the Park Naming Procedure.
- The report identifies new parks, ponds and trails that have been added to the town's asset registry as growth has occurred.
- In some instances, parkland has been named in recognition of a particular person or families that were pioneer settlers in Oakville and community leaders at the time. In other cases, parkland, ponds trails or walkways have been named after the adjacent road.
- Through this report it is recommended Council approve the names of parkland as noted within Table 1 of the staff report.
- In several instances existing parkland has increased in size due to adjacent development. These are listed in Table 2 and have been added to the Town's asset registry.

**BACKGROUND:**

All new parks and open spaces are named throughout the parks system and the procedure for park naming is governed by the Council approved Park Naming Procedure MS-SPR-001-005 (please see attached Appendix A). Parks are added to the parks and open space system most commonly through approved development applications. On an annual basis the Director, Parks and Open Space brings forward a report to Council that itemizes the names and locations for new parks and open space areas and adds them to the parkland inventory. On some occasions a recommendation is made to rename a park.

This report fulfills the requirement to annually report on new names for parks and open space areas.

**COMMENT/OPTIONS:**

Table 1

New Park, Pond or Trail	Location	Legal Description	Rationale for Naming
Bronte Market Square	2445 Lakeshore Rd W	Part Lot 151, Plan M-7 Part 1 On Plan 20R-21560 Together With An Easement Over Part Lot 146 Plan M7 Parts 4 & 7 20R21560 As In Hr1941051 Town Of Oakville	Located within Bronte Village and will be a focal gathering location for the community
Village Parkette	2424 Sovereign Street	Part Lot 151, Plan M-7 Part 1 On Plan 20R-21560 Together With An Easement Over Part Lot 146 Plan M7 Parts 4 & 7 20R21560 As In Hr1941051 Town Of Oakville	
Shevchenko Park	1350 Shevchenko Boulevard	Block 26, Plan 20M1258 Town Of Oakville	Named after adjacent roadway
Sixteen Mile Valley	No address assigned	Part Lot 24, Con 1 Trafalgar Nds, Part 6 20R12680 Town Of Oakville	Sixteen Mile Creek valley
Courtleigh Trail Park	No address assigned	Block 52, Plan 20M1268 Town Of Oakville	Named after adjacent roadway

William Cutmore Park	No address assigned	Block 274, Plan 20M1270 Town Of Oakville	Named after adjacent roadway
Wheat Boom Park	No address assigned	Block 293, Plan 20M1270 Town Of Oakville	Named after adjacent roadway
Meadowridge Pond	3040 Meadowridge Road	Block 292, Plan 20M1270 Town Of Oakville	Named after adjacent roadway

Table 2

<b>Existing</b> , Park, Pond or Trail	Location	Legal Description	Rationale for Naming
East Joshua Creek Trail	Between 1330 & 1334 Courtleigh Road	Block 53, Plan 20M1268 Town of Oakville Part Lot 8 Concession 1 Traf Nds Part 3, 20R22337 Town of Oakville Block 290, Plan 20M1270 Town of Oakville Block 291, Plan 20M1270 Subject To An Easement Over Parts 1 And 3, Plan Hr892160 As In Hr892160 Town of Oakville Part Lot 8 Concession 1 Traf Nds Part 1, 20R22496 Town of Oakville	Walkway block connecting to East Joshua Creek Trail
Joshua Valley Park North	No address assigned	Block 296, Plan 20M1270 Town of Oakville Block 295, Plan 20M1270 Town of Oakville	
Aymond Valley	No address assigned	Block 289, Plan 20M1270 Town of Oakville Block 298, Plan 20M1270 Town of Oakville Block 299, Plan 20M1270 Town of Oakville	Walkway block connecting Aymond Valley

A recent decision by the Halton District School Board to remove the word Iroquois from a school name, has prompted questions around Town sites that also use the word Iroquois. The Town has a woodlot named Iroquois Shoreline Woods as well as Indian Ridge Trail, and there are other town uses of Iroquois Ridge Community Centre and Iroquois Shore Road. The town's Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility Plan (IDEA plan) has identified the need to review the town's policy on naming town facilities, streets and parks. It will be through the research and community/partner consultation on this policy that the use of the word Iroquois will be evaluated. This work is planned for completion in 2026-27.

**CONSIDERATIONS:**

**(A) PUBLIC**

The public has not been contacted regarding the naming of new parks recommended within this report. The public will benefit in future from the parkland being named as a local point of reference for contacting the Town should the need arise, or as a destination for using park amenities.

**(B) FINANCIAL**

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

**(C) IMPACT ON OTHER DEPARTMENTS & USERS**

Departments involved in park naming include Transportation and Engineering, Heritage Planning and Asset Management.

**(D) COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

This report addresses the Council Strategic Priority of Accountable Government.

**(E) CLIMATE CHANGE/ACTION**

N/A

**APPENDICES:**

Appendix A – Park Naming Procedure

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