2. Commemorative Naming Proposal – Lee Boltwood Park

Proposition de nom commémoratif – parc Lee-Boltwood

## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve the proposal to name a future park located in the Abbotsville Development "Lee Boltwood Park".

## RECOMMANDATION DU COMITÉ

Que le Conseil municipale approuve l'attribution du nom « parc Lee-Boltwood » à un futur parc du secteur d'aménagement Abbottsville

## DOCUMENTATION/DOCUMENTATION

Manager, Policy and Technical Solutions' report dated 15 March 2017 (ACS2017-CCS-GEN-0014)

Rapport du Gestionnaire, politiques et solutions techniques, daté le 15 mars 2017 (ACS2017-CCS-GEN-0014)

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Comité des services communautaires et de protection
30 March 2017 / 30 mars 2017

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Ward: STITTSVILLE (6) File Number: ACS2017-CCS-GEN-0014

**SUBJECT: Commemorative Naming Proposal – Lee Boltwood Park** 

OBJET: Proposition de nom commémoratif – parc Lee-Boltwood

## REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council approve the proposal to name a future park located in the Abbotsville Development "Lee Boltwood Park".

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#### RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité des services communautaires et de protection recommande que le Conseil municipale approuve l'attribution du nom « parc Lee-Boltwood » à un futur parc du secteur d'aménagement Abbottsville.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Commemorative Naming Policy, approved by City Council on July 24, 2002, as amended, outlines the criteria and process for commemoratively naming municipal streets, parks and facilities (or parts thereof).

With respect to criteria, a commemorative name honours individuals who are (or have been) citizens of the City of Ottawa or who have made a specific contribution to the City of Ottawa and:

- Demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the City of Ottawa, the Province of Ontario and / or Canada;
- Provided extensive community service, or who have an extraordinary community service record:
- Worked to foster equality and reduce discrimination;
- Where the nominated individual is a current City employee, the individual shall
  have made an outstanding contribution to the City of Ottawa outside of his/her
  capacity and duties as a City employee or they may be recognized for their
  exceptional service once they are no longer a City employee;

- The nominated individual has made a significant financial contribution to a park or facility and the contribution significantly benefits the community that the park or facility serves (i.e. the park or facility may not have otherwise been possible without the financial assistance);
- The nominated name has historical significance to the community, City of Ottawa, Province of Ontario, or Canada.

Any member of the public or City Council may submit a name to the City for consideration through a formal Commemorative Naming application and supporting material.

Staff review the name against other criteria (e.g. potential issues for 9-1-1, whether there is an existing commemoration for the same nomination, etc.) and if there are no issues of this nature, forwards the nomination to the Commemorative Naming Committee ("CNC"), consisting of the City Clerk and Solicitor, the Chief Building Official, the General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, the General Manager, Public Works and Environmental Services, the Mayor and the Ward Councillor or their respective designates; the CNC reviews the formal application.

As part of the process, the CNC provides an initial approval based on the policy's criteria and the information provided by the nominator. Staff is then directed to ensure there is community support for the choice by initiating a 30-day public consultation phase. Where the proposal is to rename a park or facility, the Policy requires a 60-day public consultation phase.

Following the consultation process, the CNC reviews the public feedback and makes a final recommendation on the nomination, which is subsequently considered by the appropriate Standing Committee and City Council. In cases where no public objections are received, proposals are brought directly to the appropriate Standing Committee and Council without the need for a second CNC meeting.

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## DISCUSSION

Penny Horeczy submitted an application to commemorate Lee Boltwood for her extensive community service, as described in document 1. Under the proposal, a future park located in the Abbotsville Development, would be named "Lee Boltwood Park".

The CNC met on February 6, 2017 to review the application and endorsed the proposed name under the following criterion:

 Provided extensive community service, or who have an extraordinary community service record

In accordance with the Council-approved Commemorative Naming Policy, in cases where there is no objection received during the public consultation period, a report can be submitted directly to the appropriate Standing Committee and Council, without the reconvening of the CNC for a second meeting. As there was no objection to the proposal raised during the consultation period, the proposal is being brought directly to the Community and Protective Services Committee.

#### **RURAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no rural implications associated with this report.

## CONSULTATION

An integral part of the Commemorative Naming Process is public consultation on the proposed name. On February 7, 2017, the City announced a 30-day public consultation on the proposed name. The relevant information was communicated through a public service announcement, the City of Ottawa Twitter accounts and posted to Ottawa.ca.

The 30-day public consultation period ended on March 8, 2017. The City Clerk and Solicitor's Office received one comment in support of the application.

## COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

The Ward Councillor is supportive of this recommendation.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal impediments to the implementation of the recommendation in this report.

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## **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

There are no risk implications associated with this report.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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Financial costs associated with purchasing a plaque and/or hosting a naming ceremony are provided through the City Clerk and Solicitor's operating budget.

While demand has outpaced resources for several years, the practice has been to accommodate the commemorations within the \$18,000 annual budget and Members of Council and the public are made aware that, once the budget has been spent in any given year, any events will need to carry over into the next year.

## **ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS**

There are no accessibility impacts related to the recommendation in this report.

## **TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

Not applicable.

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 – Summary of Proposal: Lee Boltwood Park (Ward 6 – Stittsville)

## DISPOSITION

Following Council approval of the proposal, staff will work with the Ward Councillor to coordinate a ceremonial event to unveil a plaque.

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## **Document 1**

## Lee Boltwood (Ward 6 – Stittsville)

In recognition of Lee Boltwood's extensive community service and community service record in the Stittsville community, the City of Ottawa has been asked to name a future park located in the Abbotsville Development (Block 29, Con. 11, Lot 428) "Lee Boltwood Park".

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A summary of the proposal, submitted by Penny Horeczy is provided below:

Lee Boltwood and her husband moved to Ottawa in 1966 and settled in Stittsville in 1973, where her passion for gardening grew into an accreditation as a Certified Master Gardener. It is in this capacity that she has been an integral part of Stittsville life, providing gardening advice at venues including the Central Experimental Farm, Carp Farmers' Market, Richmond Fair and many events in Stittsville's own Village Square Park.

Aside from her passion for gardening, Ms. Boltwood has also served on the Boards of the Goulbourn Middle School Parents' Council, Goulbourn Library and Goulbourn Historical Society.