Proposed Official Naming of Block 31 Community Centre to Canoe Landing Community Centre, Ward 20

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To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Parks, Forestry and Recreation

Wards: Ward 20

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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division has reviewed the policy criteria in the Council-approved Property Naming Policy and acknowledges that the proposed name meets the criteria.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation is recommending the community centre be officially named "Canoe Landing Community Centre."

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Officially name the new community centre located in Ward 20 at 20 Brunel Court on the south-west corner of Fort York Blvd. and Brunel Court, "Canoe Landing Community Centre."

Financial Impact

There are no financial impacts with the adoption of this report.
DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on November 27, 2012, City Council authorized the Deputy City Manager, Cluster "A" to assume the management of Block 31 of the Railway Lands and Adjacent Lands and develop a plan for the delivery of the community facilities on this property.

City Council EX24.15, "Plans for Development of Blocks 31 and 18AB of the Railway Lands"
http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2012.EX24.15

At its meeting on July 7, 8 and 9, 2015, City Council adopted the Property Naming Policy and to be made effective October 2015.

City Council EX7.8, "Updated Policies for Naming City Streets and Properties"
http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.EX7.8

ISSUE BACKGROUND

This report serves to formally adopt the name Canoe Landing Community Centre as it has geographic significance since the site is fully integrated into its park setting in Canoe Landing Park. The centre has been designed as an extension to the now established community park and once built will provide needed indoor and additional outdoor recreational opportunities to residents. The site is located west of Spadina Avenue, south of Fort York Boulevard, north of the Gardiner and adjacent to Canoe Landing Park.

The new community centre in Ward 20 has been informally called Block 31 Community Centre since City Council authorized the City of Toronto to assume management of Block 31 of the Railway Lands and the Adjacent Lands in November 2012.

The tentatively named Block 31 in the Railway Lands is a proposed new city-owned multi-purpose shared-use community facility that will include a community centre, childcare centre and 2 elementary schools (Toronto District School Board and Toronto Catholic District School Board).

The proposed official name has the support of the local councillors and meets the policy criteria in the council-approved Property Naming Policy in that it is named for the geographic location of the property.

No formal requests for alternative names as per the council-approved Property Naming Policy have been officially proposed.
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