



Staff Report for Council Meeting

Date of Meeting: September 14, 2022

Report Number: SRPI.22.093

Department: Planning and Infrastructure

Division: Policy Planning

Subject: SRPI.22.093 – Naming of Parks – Follow Up

Purpose:

To receive final approval for the name of a new park site within the City's park and natural heritage system.

Recommendation(s):

- a) That the proposed name "William Duncan Park" for the site described in staff report SRPI.22.053, attached as Appendix A to staff report SRPI.22.093, be granted approval.

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Report Approval:

Submitted by: Kelvin Kwan, Commissioner of Planning and Infrastructure

Approved by: Darlene Joslin, Interim City Manager

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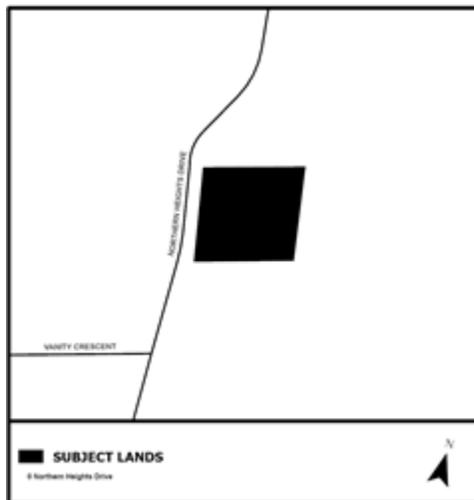
Background:

The park name “William Duncan Park” was approved in principle by Council on June 8, 2022 (SRPI.22.053 – Appendix A) for the park on Northern Heights Drive south of 16th Avenue (see Map 1). In accordance with the City’s Policy for Naming and Renaming Parks, Open Space and Recreation Facilities (see Appendix B), the proposed name was advertised on the City’s website with a request for public comment over a 30-day period. The 30-day commenting period has passed without any objections from the public. Therefore, staff are recommending that final approval be given to the name for this park.

William Duncan Park (Park Class: Local Park)

Location: Ward 6, Northern Heights Drive, see Map 1

Map 1: Location of William Duncan Park



Financial/Staffing/Other Implications:

There are no financial, staffing or other implications associated with the recommendations of this report.

Relationship to Council’s Strategic Priorities 2020-2022:

Promoting the City’s cultural and natural heritage through park, open space and recreation facility names fosters a sense of identity and place that contributes to a more vibrant Richmond Hill. Additionally, the naming process provides an opportunity for residents to become involved with their community.

Climate Change Considerations:

Climate change considerations are not applicable to this staff report.

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Conclusion:

Pursuant to the City's *Policy for Naming and Renaming Parks, Open Space and Recreation Facilities*, staff recommend that final approval be granted for the name "William Duncan Park".

Attachments:

The following attached documents may include scanned images of appendixes, maps and photographs. All attachments have been reviewed and made accessible. If you require an alternative format please call the contact person listed in this document.

- Appendix A, SRPI.22.053 – Naming of Parks
- Appendix B, Policy for Naming and Renaming Parks, Open Space and Recreation Facilities

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Report Approval Details

Document Title:	SRPI.22.093 - Naming of Parks - Follow Up.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix A - SRPI.22.093 - AODA.pdf - Appendix B - SRPI.22.093 - AODA.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Aug 16, 2022

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Michelle Dobbie - Aug 5, 2022 - 4:01 PM

Sybelle von Kursell - Aug 15, 2022 - 2:15 PM

Kelvin Kwan - Aug 15, 2022 - 2:21 PM

Darlene Joslin - Aug 16, 2022 - 5:33 PM