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| <p>3. Commemorative Naming Proposal – Hunsdeep Rangar Park
Proposition de nom commémoratif – parc Hunsdeep-Rangar</p> |
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve the proposal to name Décoeur Park, located at 560 Décoeur Dr, the “Hunsdeep Rangar Park”

RECOMMANDATION DU COMITÉ:

Que le Conseil approuve la proposition visant à ce que le parc Décœur, situé au 560, promenade Décœur, sera le « parc Hunsdeep-Rangar »

DOCUMENTATION/DOCUMENTATION

1. Manager’s report, Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services Department, dated 11 January 2021 (ACS2021-RCF-GEN-0003).

Rapport de la gestionnaire, Direction générale des loisirs, de la culture et des installations, daté le 11 janvier 2021 (ACS2021-RCF-GEN-0003)

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Ward: CUMBERLAND (19)

File Number: ACS2021-RCF-GEN-0003

SUBJECT: Commemorative Naming Proposal – Hunsdeep Rangar Park

OBJET: Proposition de nom commémoratif – parc Hunsdeep-Rangar

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council approve the proposal to name Décoeur Park, located at 560 Décoeur Dr, the “Hunsdeep Rangar Park”

RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité des services communautaires et de protection recommande au Conseil d’approuver la proposition visant à ce que le parc Décœur, situé au 560, promenade Décœur, sera le « parc Hunsdeep-Rangar »

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).

Where the naming of a street, municipal park, parts of a park, facility, or parts of a facility is being requested, at least one of the following criteria shall apply:

- 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.

The proposed name is reviewed against criteria such as potential issues for 9-1-1 or whether there is an existing commemoration for the same nomination. If there are no issues of concern, the Commemorative Naming Committee (“CNC”) will meet to review the formal application and proposal. The CNC membership is the City Clerk and Solicitor, the General Manager, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development, the General Manager, Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services, the General Manager, Public Works and Environmental Services, the Mayor and the Ward Councillor, or their respective designates.

As part of the process, the CNC provides an initial approval based on the policy’s criteria and the information provided by the nominator. To ensure there is community support for the choice, staff will initiate 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, followed by considered by the appropriate Standing Committee and City Council. If no public objections are received, the Committee and Council will consider the proposal directly, without the need for a CNC meeting.

DISCUSSION

Ishneet Singh submitted an application to commemorate Hunsdeep Rangar, as described in Document 1. Under the proposal, Décoeur Park, located at 560 Décoeur Drive will be named the “Hunsdeep Rangar Park”.

The CNC met on October 29, 2020 to review the application and endorsed the proposed name under the following criterion:

- The nominated individual has provided extensive community service and has 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 reconvening a CNC meeting.

As the public consultation period did not result in any objections, the Community and Protective Services Committee will consider the “Hunsdeep Rangar Park” proposal directly.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no rural implications associated with this report.

CONSULTATION

An integral part of the Commemorative Naming Process is public consultation. On October 29, 2020, the City announced a 30-day public consultation on the proposed name. A public service announcement, the City’s Twitter account, and the Ottawa.ca website provided relevant information on the proposal.

The 30-day public consultation period ended on November 27, 2020. The Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services Department received 306 comment(s) in support of the application and 0 comment(s) in opposition.

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.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk implications associated with this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial costs associated with purchasing a plaque and/or hosting a naming ceremony are provided through the operating budget of the Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services Department.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

The report recommendation does not have any accessibility impacts.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Not applicable.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 – Hunsdeep Rangar Park (Ward 19 – Cumberland)

DISPOSITION

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

Document 1

Hunsdeep Rangar Park (Ward 19 – Cumberland)

In recognition of exceptional community service to the citizens of Ottawa, the City has been asked to name the Décoeur Park (“Décoeur” was an assumed name for the initial park design consultation) located at 560 Décoeur Dr, the “Hunsdeep Rangar Park”. The late Hunsdeep Rangar, producer of Mirch Masala Radio on CHIN 97.9 FM, was instrumental in bridging cultures together through multicultural media. Hunsdeep was heavily involved with organizing community related events, social networking events and fundraisers, while fostering business partnerships in Ottawa. As past president of Ottawa South Asian Community Association, Hunsdeep was a champion for the South Asian community and the primary organizer of Ottawa’s annual ‘SouthAsianFest’. His vision was to provide an open and inclusive environment to celebrate Canada’s diversity, while promoting cultural integration and harmony. He strived to forge connections not just within the south Asian community, but between all diverse communities.