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Subject: **Asset Naming – Recommended Location for Northrup Park**

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Recommendations:

1. That the report titled: **Asset Naming – Recommended Location for Northrup Park**, to the Committee of Council meeting of October 13, 2021, be received;
2. That the administratively-named Northampton Park (Northampton Drive, Ward 7) be permanently named Northrup Park; and
3. That, upon successful completion of the public commenting period, staff be directed to erect appropriate park signage and undertake notifications for addressing, mapping, operations and emergency services regarding the new park name.

Overview:

- **At its August 11, 2021 meeting, City Council approved the naming of a City park to commemorate fallen Toronto Police Constable, and Brampton resident, Jeffrey Northrup.**
- **The Wards 7 and 8 Reference Committee (comprised of Mayor Brown and Councillors Williams and Fortini) considered and recommended the naming of the Northampton Park (Ward 7), currently assigned an administrative name based on the adjacent street name, to be named Northrup Park. Staff are recommending the renaming as proposed by the Reference Committee.**
- **Pending Council's approval, a 30-day public consultation commenting period will start in accordance with the City's Asset Naming Policy.**

Background:

In August 2021, Council considered a Notice of Motion from Mayor Brown and Councillor Williams to name a City park to commemorate fallen Toronto Police Services Constable, and Brampton resident, Jeffrey Northrup, killed in the line of duty on July 2, 2021. The following Resolution of Council was adopted:

Resolution C256-2021

WHEREAS on July 2, 2021 Toronto Police Services Constable, and Brampton resident, Jeffrey Northrup was killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS City Council has approved an Asset Naming Policy to facilitate commemorative recognition to honour events and individuals' outstanding achievements, distinctive service, or significant community contributions, including recognition of the City's rich cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS there may exist opportunities for the City to recognize community and cultural heroes of significance to local communities within the City through naming streets, parks and other City assets;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That a City park be named to commemorate fallen Toronto Police Constable, and Brampton resident, Jeffrey Northrup; and
2. That City staff consult with the Northrup family to identify a suitable park location and report to Council in accordance with the Asset Naming Policy.

This report recommends a park naming based on the consensus of the Wards 7 and 8 Council Reference Committee, in accordance with the City's Asset Naming Policy.

Current Situation:

Parks developed by the City regularly receive an administrative park name, many times based on adjacent street names, to assist with parks operations and location identification for emergency services. These administratively-named parks are eligible for a Council-approved permanent name, in accordance with the Asset Naming Policy. Based on consultation with the Northrup family, Northampton Park in "N" section of Bramalea in Ward 7 was identified for a park naming to commemorate Jeffrey Northrup.

It is recommended that the administratively-named Northampton Park (Ward 7) be permanently named Northrup Park, and subject to a public notice and commenting period, staff be directed to erect appropriate park signage and undertake notifications for addressing, mapping, operations and emergency services regarding the new park name.

Corporate Implications:

Financial Implications:

None

Other Implications:

Term of Council Priorities:

This report achieves the Term of Council Priority of “Brampton is a Mosaic” by celebrating and recognizing Brampton’s diversity and recognizing and commemorating individual contributions.

Conclusion:

Naming Northampton Park as Northrup Park fulfils Council’s direction and is an appropriate way to commemorate fallen Constable Jeffrey Northrup.

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Appendix 1 - Map of Proposed Northrup Park Location