

**Date:** 2023-03-21

**Subject:** **Gage Park Bandstand Commemorative Plaque, 45 Main St South (Ward 3)**

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**Recommendations:**

1. That the Information Report titled Gage Park Bandstand Commemorative Plaque to the Brampton Heritage Board meeting of March 21, 2023, be received; and
2. That the Heritage Board provide a recommendation regarding the most appropriate location for installation.

**Overview:**

- **At the June 21, 2022 Brampton Heritage Board meeting, staff presented options for commemorating the Gage Park bandstand.**
- **A motion was passed asking staff to report back on design and location options for a commemorative plaque.**
- **Staff have prepared draft plaque text and are in the process of having the plaque produced.**
- **The recommendation regarding the preferred location will facilitate the timely installation of the plaque when it is available.**

**Background:**

Gage Park was listed as a Heritage Resource in the City of Brampton Heritage Register on April 2004.

The Brampton Heritage Board introduced a motion (HB026-2022) requesting that staff report back to a future Board meeting with options for providing appropriate commemoration of the Gage Park bandstand.

## **Current Situation:**

Since June 22 2022, Heritage staff have:

- Prepared a commemorative plaque design, and text and image content;
- Liaised with Corporate Communications regarding plaque ordering processes and requirements;
- Liaised with David Harmsworth, President of the Brampton Concert Band and Jazz Mechanics; and
- Discussed placement options for the plaque within Gage Park.
- Confirmed the date for the commemoration event and unveiling for June 2023.

Heritage staff have identified a ceremony date to take place in June 2023, prepared the plaque text and are recommending a preferred location for placement and installation. Staff are seeking the Heritage Board's approval of this location, or to choose another from the options presented in Appendix A.

## **Corporate Implications:**

### Financial Implications:

The City of Brampton has accepted a quote for \$ 4,932.45 for the manufacture of the plaque. The cost is covered in the annual budget for Policy Programs and Implementation.

### Other Implications:

#### **Term of Council Priorities:**

- Opportunities: "Improving livability and prosperity by focusing on local education and employment opportunities, neighborhood services and programs, and job investment strategies."
- Healthy & Safe City: "Focusing on community safety, improving mental health support, and encouraging active and healthy lifestyles."
- Well-Run: "Continuously improving the day-to-day operations of the corporation by streamlining service delivery, effectively managing municipal assets, and leveraging partnerships for collaboration and advocacy."

## **Conclusion:**

Heritage staff has prepared a commemorative plaque design and content and seeks confirmation from the Heritage Board of the recommended location for installation.

A commemoration event for the Gage Park bandstand will take place on June 2023, and Mayor and Councilors will be invited to participate in the unveiling ceremony.

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**Attachments:**

**Appendix A-** Aerial Photograph of Locations

**Appendix B-** Possible Bandstand Plaque Locations

**Appendix C-** Bandstand Plaque Content