



Council report

Meeting date:	September 6, 2022
Title:	Request to rename corporate asset: Heritage Walkway Bridge
Prepared by:	Laura Johnston, Chief Administrative Officer

Recommendation

That report “Request to name corporate asset: Heritage Walkway Bridge” be received for information.

Executive summary

In September 2019, bylaw 69-019, a bylaw to adopt a corporate asset naming policy was passed. That policy outlines the process of requesting a corporate asset be named or renamed. The municipality received an application, sought input from stakeholders and presented the comments to council for deliberation. Council deemed it appropriate to keep the bridge named the Heritage Walkway Bridge.

Background and discussion

The Carol Lawrence family requested that the Heritage Walkway Bridge in the Lions Heritage Park in Durham be named the “Carol Lawrence Walkway Bridge”. The proposal included the installation of a plaque at the bridge entrance to the bridge from Garafraxa Street recognizing Carol Lawrence's achievements during her many years serving on municipal council.

The public comment period closed on August 4, 2022. Over 170 comments were received and, while there was general support to honour Mrs. Lawrence’s years of service, there was not a majority support to rename the bridge.

Council considered the application, as well as input from internal and external stakeholders, and decided to maintain the current name of Heritage Walkway Bridge.

Legal and legislated requirements

None.

Financial and resource implications

None.



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Staffing implications

None.

Next steps

The Lawrence family has been advised and no further action is required from the municipality.

Respectfully submitted:
Laura Johnston, CAO/Deputy Clerk