

City of Mississauga
Corporate Report



<p>Date: October 10, 2023</p> <p>To: Chair and Members of General Committee</p>	<p>Originator's files: CD.11.011</p>
<p>From: Jodi Robillos, Commissioner of Community Services</p>	<p>Meeting date: November 1, 2023</p>

Subject

Proposed naming of the Off-Road Trail 11 to Chechalk Trail (Ward 3)

Recommendation

1. That General Committee consider, for a period of 30 days, the naming of the Off-Road Trail 11, in the hydro corridor traversing Ward 3, as "Chechalk Trail" as outlined in the Corporate Report dated October 10, 2023 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "Proposed naming of the Off-Road Trail 11 to Chechalk Trail (Ward 3)".
2. That Community Services staff be directed to provide notice as set out in the City's 'Facility Naming' Policy 05-02-02 of the Proposed naming of the Off-Road Trail 11 as "Chechalk Trail".

Executive Summary

- The subject report outlines the recommended naming of the Off-Road Trail 11 as "Chechalk Trail" in accordance with the City's "Facility Naming" Corporate Policy 05-02-02.
- The recommended trail name is supported by the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Councillor Fonseca and the Ward 3 community.
- The City's interim Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Asset Naming Review Committee was consulted on the proposed name and have no concerns with the recommendation.

Background

In accordance with the City's Facility Naming Corporate Policy 05-02-02, the Community Services Department is directed to present names for the General Committee and Council's consideration for the purposes of naming parks, trails, and facilities in the City of Mississauga.

The General Committee is requested to consider the recommended name presented by the Community Services Department for a period of 30 days after which the Committee is asked to make a final recommendation to Council.

The subject report outlines the naming request for Off-Road Trail 11 as “Chechalk Trail”.

Comments

Off-Road Trail 11 is located in Ward 3, within the Hydro One corridor. The 3.8 km trail extends from Audubon Boulevard to Dundas Street East, as shown in Appendix 1. This multi-use trail serves as an important north-south connection to other primary and local routes in the city.

As per the City’s Facility Naming Policy 05-02-02, geographic and historical references are used when choosing names for trails, parks and other City facilities. The Off-Road Trail 11 lands were part of Treaty 14, Head of the Lake Treaty, signed in 1806. One of the signatories of Treaty 14 was Chief Chechalk. As a way to honour Chief Chechalk and bring awareness on the history of the lands of the trail, staff recommended naming Off-Road Trail 11 as “Chechalk Trail”.

Staff received support from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for “Chechalk Trail” as the recommended trail name. Ward 3 Councillor, Chris Fonseca also engaged with the community and received feedback in favour of the recommended name.

The process to finalize the recommended name and the trail construction was completed in 2022. Staff did not proceed with the naming of the Off-Road Trail 11 due to a Council endorsed moratorium on new street or facility names until a revised naming policy is approved.

The City has convened an Interim Working Group (IWG) to address occasional needs for park and other facility naming during the naming policy review. IWG has reviewed the staff recommended trail name, “Chechalk Trail” and determined that it largely aligns with the criteria of the Council approved Equity, Diversity and Inclusion interim review process, including:

- Indigenous Place-Keeping
- Co-creation
- Demonstrated Community Support and Engagement
- Relevance to the City of Mississauga
- Celebrating Untold Stories

Considering the feedback solicited supports the recommended trail name and the time since the trail construction has been completed, staff advise proceeding with the naming of the trail in advance of the lifting of the current moratorium.

Financial Impact

The budget of up to \$12,000 for three trail entrance signs will be absorbed through existing Parks, Forestry, & Environment capital budget in PN 21331 considering one sign at each end of the trail and one to be located at its mid-way street crossing.

Conclusion

The recommended trail name, "Chechalk Trail" is supported by the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Councillor Fonseca and the Ward 3 community. The City's interim Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Asset Naming Review Committee has been consulted and have no objections with the proposed name. The recommended trail name is in accordance with the City's Facility Naming Policy 05-02-02 and should be considered by General Committee for 30 days as per the City's policy.

Attachments

Appendix 1: ORT 11 Location Map



Jodi Robillos, Commissioner of Community Services

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