

Welcoming Winnipeg Committee of Community Members Meeting Summary

Date: November 18, 2020

Location: MS Teams

Attendees: 8 Members of the Committee

An opening prayer and land acknowledgment were given to start the meeting in a good way.

The draft Terms of Reference was reviewed and it was determined that the committee needed more time before finalizing. Proposed revisions for the Terms of Reference included making sure the “function” of the committee was clearly defined:

- It was discussed that per the policy, the committee’s role is to review requests that come forward from the public. At this time, it is not also the function of the Committee of Community Members (CCM) to bring forward recommendations for changes to historical markers or place names.

A brief update on the Welcoming Winnipeg Request Form and revisions that were made as a result of the feedback provided was shared.

The CCM was advised of outstanding naming requests that pre-date the adoption of the Welcoming Winnipeg: *Reconciling our History* Policy that will require their review:

- The renaming of Royalwood Park to Shelly Glover Park.
 - The committee discussed, and were not prepared to come to a consensus.
- The renaming of baseball fields at Transcona Stadium to Henri Constant Field.
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Committee members advised that since this initiative is land-based, it would be helpful to have the requests that come in situated on a map.

A question was raised: *Is it the committee’s function to consider requests that are not focused on Indigenous/reconciliation-based changes?*

- Per the Policy: *Welcoming Winnipeg will proactively utilize a lens of balance, inclusion and Indigenous perspectives*; so, the committee will receive requests that are not focused on reconciliation. Part of the reason for that is to add an Indigenous lens to these kinds of requests that are submitted, as there have been opportunities to recognize Indigenous communities and contributions in Winnipeg that were overlooked.

A closing prayer was given to end the meeting in a good way.