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**TO: MAYOR J. LEHMAN AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: D. MCALPINE, CITY CLERK/DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE AND COURT SERVICES**

**NOTED: P. ELLIOTT-SPENCER, MBA, CPA, CMA, GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY  
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**RE: RECOGNITION OF WYMAN JACQUES – MUNICIPAL NAMING**

**DATE: DECEMBER 5, 2016**

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The purpose of this memorandum is to advise members of City Council with respect to a Municipal Naming Request related to Wyman Jacques.

On January 11, 2016, City Council adopted the Municipal Naming Policy and established the composition of a Municipal Naming Working Group to review suggestions and provide recommendations related to the names of municipal assets (where such naming was not related to sponsorships). Earlier this year, a submission was received to name the Arboretum in Sunnidale Park in recognition of the late Mr. Wyman Jacques.

The following are highlights from material received related to the naming of the Arboretum at Sunnidale Park in honour of Wyman Jacques:

- Wyman Jacques was the Chairman of the Arboretum since 1984 and dedicated countless hours and days managing, maintaining and promoting the Arboretum;
- In 1989, he presented over 40 times to various service clubs and interest groups in the area to encourage financial support of the Arboretum;
- Wyman personally tended the gardens and trees in and around the 12 acre arboretum, six days a week for decades with the assistance of a summer student and volunteers from the Barrie Horticultural Society;
- He was a member of the Barrie Horticultural Society at the Arboretum's inception and would personally assist families in selecting the correct tree as a memorial to a loved one, have a plaque engraved and continued to care for the tree for years;
- Wyman supported the community as a volunteer with numerous organizations including the Bruce Trail Club, Brereton Field Naturalists Club, Barrie Humane Society, Nottawasaga Conservation Club, Barrie Horticultural Society and Citizens on Patrol Program.
- He was the recipient of the Ontario Horticultural Society Silver Fir Award, Barrie Horticultural Society Lifetime Membership Award and Diploma of Service Award, Barrie Chamber of Commerce Award, Royal Canadian Legion Citizen of the Year Award and Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow Award;
- Wyman devoted over 30 years of service to Central United Church and was a long term blood donor for Canadian Red Cross; and
- Wyman taught science, horticulture and agriculture at Barrie North Collegiate for 29 years.

The Municipal Naming Working Group met on September 26, 2016 and recommended that public consultation be undertaken concerning the naming of the Arboretum at Sunnidale Park in recognition of Wyman Jacques, subject to the Mr. Jacques' family's concurrence with the proposal and the provision of additional details with respect to the timelines associated with Mr. Jacques' efforts. Mr. Jacques' family subsequently provided additional details related to the timelines associated with his efforts.

In accordance with the Municipal Naming Policy, the Municipal Naming Working Group will be undertaking public consultation regarding the naming of the Arboretum at Sunnidale Park, in recognition of Wyman Jacques. The public will have 30 days to provide comments regarding the proposed naming. A staff report will be presented in 2017 regarding the results of the public consultation.