



## **Subject: Community Identification Committee Recommendations – Dog Park Names**

### **Community Identification Committee Recommendations:**

1. THAT the dog park located in Thickwood (Lot 3, Plan 782 2690 & Lot 2MR, Plan 782 2690) be named as “*Smart Dog Park*”;
2. THAT the dog park located in Beacon Hill (Block 4, Plan 3381TR & Block R1, Plan 3381TR) be named as “*Betty Witzel Dog Park*”;
3. THAT the dog park located Waterways (SW11 89-9-4 & NW2 89-9-4) be named as “*Sara Holden Dog Park*”.

### **Summary:**

The Community Identification Committee recommended that the names for the dog parks be forwarded to Council for approval.

In accordance with the Community Identification System (Council’s Policy No. PRL-040), Council’s approval is required for the naming of municipal facilities in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo.

### **Background:**

The Community Identification Committee met on October 15, 2015, December 2, 2015 and February 24, 2016 to consider the names for the three dog parks within the RMWB Urban Service Area. After deliberation, the Committee proposed the name “*Smart Dog Park*” for the dog park in Thickwood (Lot 3, Plan 782 2690 & Lot 2MR, Plan 782 2690), “*Betty Witzel Dog Park*” for the dog park in Beacon Hill (Block 4, Plan 3381TR & Block R1, Plan 3381TR), and “*Sara Holden Dog Park*” for the dog park in Waterways (SW11 89-9-4 & NW2 89-9-4). The Committee recommended that the names be forwarded to Council for approval. The maps showing the locations of Smart Dog Park, Betty Witzel Dog Park and Sara Holden Dog Park are available in Attachment 1 of this report.

### **Rationale for Recommendations:**

Marsha Smart, Betty Witzel and Sara Holden are dog lovers who made significant contributions to the RMWB community through many hours of volunteer work with the SPCA in various roles over many years.

The proposed dog park names along with a corresponding biography for each name are available in Attachment 2 of this report.

The proposed names are in accordance with Community Identification System (Council’s Policy No. PRL-040), create unique identification and are distinctly different sounding from the existing ones in use in the Urban Service Area and Hamlets and hence are recommended for approval.

**Strategic Plan Linkages:**

Pillar 1 – Building Responsible Government

Pillar 6 – Building a Sustainable Region

Pillar 7 – Building for a Healthy and Active Lifestyle

**Attachments:**

1. Subject Area Map dated March 2016
2. Description of Proposed Names