

CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN

City Naming Registry

Motion:

That Council approve the inclusion of the name, Jim Sheasgreen, to the City Naming Registry.

Purpose:

To add Mr. Jim Sheasgreen's name to the City Naming Registry.

Background:

Under City Naming Policy GOV-002-C, City Council desires a coordinated and consistent approach to the naming of neighbourhoods, districts, subdivisions, roadways, municipal parks and City facilities in the City of Fort Saskatchewan, and that the names reflect Fort Saskatchewan's unique history, culture or the significant contribution of community members and groups.

Mr. Sheasgreen was the Superintendent of Schools for thirteen years (1985 – 1998) in Falher, Alberta, and Fort Saskatchewan. From 1998 – 2003, Mr. Sheasgreen was the Deputy Superintendent for Elk Island Catholic Schools. Before retiring in March 2005, he was the Deputy Superintendent for the Northern Gateway Regional School Division No. 10.

Mr. Jim Sheasgreen served as Councillor for the City of Fort Saskatchewan from October 2001 to October 2004 and served as Mayor for the City of Fort Saskatchewan from October 2004 to October 2010. As Mayor for the City, Mr. Sheasgreen's leadership moved the community forward as a key stakeholder in the former Alberta Capital Region Alliance, and the current Capital Region Board. Projects that were undertaken while Mr. Sheasgreen was an elected official included:

- Acquisition of lands for Fort Saskatchewan's replacement Hospital.
- Hosting an annual Mayor's Golf Classic, which raised over \$33,000.00 towards new equipment for the new Fort Saskatchewan Health Centre.
- Approval of the City of Fort Saskatchewan and Fort Saskatchewan Historical Strategic Plan for the Stewardship of Fort Saskatchewan Historical Resources.
- Formation of a commuter public transit service from Fort Saskatchewan to Edmonton's Clareview LRT.
- Adoption of a Downtown Area Redevelopment Plan, which spearheaded revitalization of the downtown core.
- The building of City Centre Square, which included new and renovated spaces for the Public Library, and City services.
- Adoption of an Affordable Housing Strategy.
- Adoption of a Community Sustainability Plan.
- Establishing an Art in Public Places Initiative, which showcases local artists.
- Development of the City's Community Leadership Award program for local senior high school students.

Community volunteerism has always been important to Mr. Sheasgreen. He served as President of the Fort Saskatchewan Minor Sports Association for a number of years. He was President of

the Fort Saskatchewan Minor Baseball Association for several years and coached various baseball teams. Mr. Sheasgreen is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and continues to volunteer in a number of ways in the community.

Permission has been granted by Mr. Sheasgreen to add the Sheasgreen name to the City's Naming Registry.

Alternatives:

1. That Council approve the inclusion of the name, Jim Sheasgreen, to the City Naming Registry.
2. That Council not approve the inclusion of the name, Jim Sheasgreen, to the City Naming Registry, and advise how they wish to proceed.

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