

Minutes – Council – June 26, 2025

Minute No. 360

Executive Policy Committee – Motions

Item No. 2 Park Renaming – Lindenwood Drive West Park to Kaitlyn Lawes Park

Moved by Councillor Mayes,
Seconded by Councillor Orlikow,

WHEREAS the park located at 605 Lindenwood Drive West is currently known as Lindenwood Drive West Park;

AND WHEREAS Kaitlyn Lawes was the long time third for the Jennifer Jones curling team and helped win a gold medal at the 2014 Winter Olympics and capture a World Women's Curling Championship in 2018;

AND WHEREAS Kaitlyn also won a gold medal in the mixed doubles event at the 2018 Winter Olympics;

AND WHEREAS Kaitlyn is the first Canadian curler to win gold in two consecutive Olympics;

AND WHEREAS the City has named parks after team skip Jennifer Jones and second Jill Officer.

AND WHEREAS Council originally directed the Public Service to report back on the renaming of Lindenwood Drive West to Kaitlyn Lawes Park on June 23, 2022;

AND WHEREAS Council has voted to waive the application of the Welcoming Winnipeg policy in other instances, despite the park name not having been put forward previously,

AND WHEREAS if Council is not prepared to extend the same respect to Kaitlyn Lawes after a nearly three year wait, then the park renaming should be deemed denied rather than continuing a process that has no deadline isn't being applied equally to all renaming applications;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Welcoming Winnipeg Policy be waived and that the park located at 605 Lindenwood Drive West, known as Lindenwood Drive West Park, be officially renamed to "Kaitlyn Lawes Park".
2. That funding for the signage be approved from the Riel Community Committee Land Dedication Reserve – St. Vital Ward Allocation.

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3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

The Speaker advised that the motion would stand as Notice of Motion in accordance with Rule 17(1) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007.