

## RENAMING A MUNICIPAL ASSET IN HONOUR OF T. ALLEN KING

### Issue

Options for renaming a municipal asset in honour of T. Allen King are provided to Council for discussion and approval.

### Motion Arising From In Camera

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### Report

King's Pharmacy was run by T. Allen King for 46 years from March 1958 until early 2005. Mr. King started working for pharmacist Hugh Berry in 1957 and then bought it a year later. (His retirement party was held April 2005.) Other noted accomplishments by Mr. King include:

- Initiated the annual parade called Okotoks Sports Day Parade in 1969. (Prior to this, the parades were held only periodically to celebrate milestones, for example, the Town's 50th anniversary and Canada's Centennial);
- Started first Band Parents Association in the mid to late 1970s;
- Served as a councillor on Okotoks Town Council, 1967-1974;
- Long-time member of Benevolent Protective Order of Elks (BPOE) including serving as Exalted Ruler;
- Served on the Sheep River Health Trust;
- Served as a Foothills Centennial Centre Board member;
- Received the Okotoks Rotary Club's Integrity Award in 2006;
- Served as a 'community member' of the Post-secondary Education Board appointed by Okotoks Town Council in Nov. 13, 2012; term extended until Oct. 31, 2015;
- Spearheaded a drive to provide dictionaries to local schools through Okotoks Rotary Club. (This program started in 2010 and by the 2016-17 school year had distributed 6,000 books locally.);
- Wrote the column 'As I See It' in the Western Wheel. (He started writing his column in 2010 and the last article on record was in 2016.);
- Recipient of the 2011 Hometown Heroes Award. In explaining why he gives so freely of his time to the community, Al was quoted as saying: "In years gone by, the people of the Town and the district gave me the privilege of making a living here," explained King. "Because of that privilege, as long as I am able, I owe society a debt."

## Naming Options

### Martin Avenue

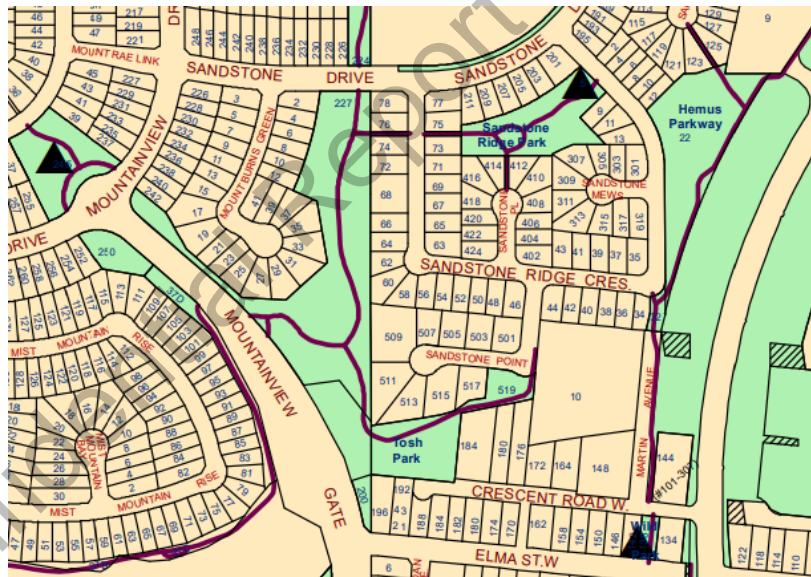
This is the road that extends north from Crescent Road West. The only property with the Martin Avenue address is Mr. King's home at the top of the hill. Other properties in the vicinity (the apartment building with Okotoks Animal Care) are addressed Crescent Road West, therefore no other property is impacted by a name change.

Martin Avenue was named after John Lineham's wife Minnie (nee Martin). There are a number of other streets in Okotoks named after the John Lineham family (Elma, Elizabeth and Lineham). There are no descendants of John Lineham in Okotoks, although there are descendants of John's brother William D. Lineham.

Connection to Mr. King: This road is directly connected to Mr. King as he resided at that location since 1967, and is where he raised three sons with his wife Jeanette.

### Parks/Pathways

Two parks in the immediate area around the King property (10 Martin Avenue) are already named - Tosh Park and Hemus Parkway. However, there are a couple further west in the Mountainview subdivision that are currently unnamed. Also unnamed is the pathway that links the Sandstone subdivision to Mountainview which originates on the west edge of the King property (near Sandstone Point).



There are other unnamed parks in the new subdivisions of D'Arcy and Wedderburn, and two unnamed parks in Drake Landing and two in Air Ranch.

### Rooms at Foothills Centennial Centre

There are a number of 'named' rooms currently at Foothills Centennial Centre. Administration has been unable to locate any naming rights agreements in the files from the former FCC Foundation to help determine if any of these rights are up for renewal. However, these rooms might better serve as potential sponsorship opportunities in the future.

Connection to Mr. King: Mr. King served as a Foothills Centennial Centre board member.

### **Attachment(s)**

1. Naming of Roadways, Parks, Neighbourhoods and Facilities Policy GP-B-2.4

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