



CITY OF HAMILTON
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
Growth Management Division

TO:	Chair and Members Planning Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	June 15, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	To Rename a Portion of Mountain Brow Road to King Road, Flamborough (PED21118) (Ward 15)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Ward 15
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RECOMMENDATION

That a portion of Mountain Brow Road, in the former Town of Flamborough, between Granite Ridge Trail and King Road be renamed to King Road as identified on Appendix “A”, to Report PED21118, in accordance with the draft By-law, attached as Appendix “B” to Report PED21118, which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to be enacted by City Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following the requirements of the Waterdown South Secondary Plan, a portion of Mountain Brow Road from Burke Street to Granite Ridge Trail will be closed and removed, per Report PW17047 / PED17109, adopted by Council on June 28, 2017; and with currently being held in abeyance.

The remaining portion of Mountain Brow Road, between Granite Ridge Road and King Road will need to be renamed to King Road. The reason is to avoid a situation where two separate segments of road are using the identical name of Mountain Brow Road, which would be confusing and detrimental for Emergency Services.

Alternatives for Consideration – See Page 3

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: The developer of the Waterdown Bay subdivision has submitted the required fee for a street name change. There are costs associated with placing an advertisement in the Flamborough Review newspaper. Street signs indicating Granite Ridge Road and King Road will need to be installed.

Staffing: None

Legal: The *Municipal Act* does not require any public notification for a municipal public highway name change. However, notice of the proposed street name change has been given in accordance with The City of Hamilton Local Street Naming Policies, Guidelines and Procedures as approved by Council on March 9th, 2005.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Waterdown South Secondary Plan was approved in September 2010. The Secondary Plan requires that a portion of Mountain Brow Road, between the extension of Burke Street and Granite Ridge Trail to be closed and converted to a multi-path trail. Of note, this was completed per Report PW17047 / PED17109, adopted by Council on June 28, 2017, currently being held in abeyance.

On April 24, 2014, the Ontario Municipal Board approved the Waterdown Bay Phase 2 Draft Plan of Subdivision. The Draft Plan follows the requirement of the Secondary Plan by showing Burke Street connecting into Mountain Brow Road and a local road, now known as Granite Ridge Trail, to connect into Mountain Brow Road and King Road at the east end of the Draft Plan.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The proposed street name change is consistent with the Local Street Naming Policies, Guidelines and Procedures and will avoid and remove duplicate street names.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

No private properties will be affected by the name change.

Accordingly, a copy of the draft By-law has been prepared and reviewed by our Legal Division and attached as Appendix “B” to Report PED21118.

Lastly, the Ward 15 Councillor has been made aware of this recommendation and is supportive.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

On February 14, 2020, the third phase of the Waterdown Bay subdivision was registered. This has now legally created the extension of Burke Street to Mountain Brow Road and created the street Granite Ridge Road and its connection to the remaining portion of Mountain Brow Road and King Road.

On June 19, 2017, staff Report PW17047 / PED17109, to close Mountain Brow Road between Burke Street and Granite Ridge Road, was carried by the Public Works Committee. It was later adopted by Council on June 28, 2017. The By-law to close the road has been held in abeyance until the time comes to physically close this portion of road.

Recently, construction has begun on the removal of the portion of road to be closed. It is expected that the By-law, that has been held in abeyance, will come forward for enactment in the near future upon completion. Therefore, staff is of the opinion that the name change for the east portion of Mountain Brow Road between Granite Ridge Trail and King Road to King Road is appropriate and required.

It should be noted that this portion of Mountain Brow Road has a rural cross section that is similar to the existing King Road. Staff determined that changing the name to King Road would be more suitable than naming it Granite Ridge Road which has an urban cross section.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

The alternative is not to change the name and maintain it as Mountain Brow Road.

Staff do not recommend this alternative, as this will create a duplicate street name at the two ends where the closure is to take place. Private, corporate and governmental databases have become address reliant and exact, whereby directions to the wrong segment of Mountain Brow Road could lead to services not being delivered or potential confusion, especially for Emergency Services. The City could be held responsible and liable for any loss of life or property, if delivery personnel or Emergency Services were unable to locate a property or individual due to duplicate street names.

ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 – 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

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APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" to Report PED21118 – Location Map of the portion of Mountain Brow Road to be renamed to King Road

Appendix "B" to Report PED21118 – By-law to Rename a Portion of Mountain Brow Road to King Road

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