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Item No. 3
Halifax Regional Council
May 4, 2010

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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Brad Anguish, Director, BPIM

DATE: April 6, 2010

SUBJECT: Resident Petition- Request to Rename Torrington Drive, Bedford

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

A petition submitted to the February 24, 2010 meeting of Regional Council, requesting the renaming of Torrington Drive in Bedford (Item 9.2.2.).

BACKGROUND

A petition initiated by 40 residents of Torrington Drive, Halifax, was submitted to Regional Council requesting the renaming of Torrington Drive, Bedford, as a result of concerns with the two streets having the same name.

The two streets have co-existed for approximately 20 years. During the 2007 civic address corrections project in District 16, staff renumbered the original Torrington Drive, Halifax and renamed the continuous adjoining street, Oakhill Drive, to Torrington Drive (see Attachment A). This initiative was recommended by the Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee at their January 9, 2007 meeting. The Committee further commented that Torrington Drive in Bedford should be renamed in the future to eliminate any possible confusion between the two streets. Torrington Drive in Bedford has no civic numbers on it, therefore renaming it would be less disruptive.

DISCUSSION

In response to the submitted petition, Civic Addressing staff have initiated a process to rename Torrington Drive in Bedford.

Civic addressing policy states that when undertaking a street renaming, staff are to consult with all property owners affected by the name change. Although there are no civic numbers on Torrington Drive, Bedford, Civic Addressing staff will be working with the residents who live on the culs-de-sac that intersect the existing Torrington Drive to determine a new street name (see Attachment B).

This exercise will begin in May, 2010 and, as no mailing address changes are required, will be implemented quickly after the new name is selected.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The only budget implication is the replacement cost of one public street sign blade, \$34.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A- Street Name Change-Torrington Drive, Halifax
Attachment B - Torrington Drive, Bedford

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/agenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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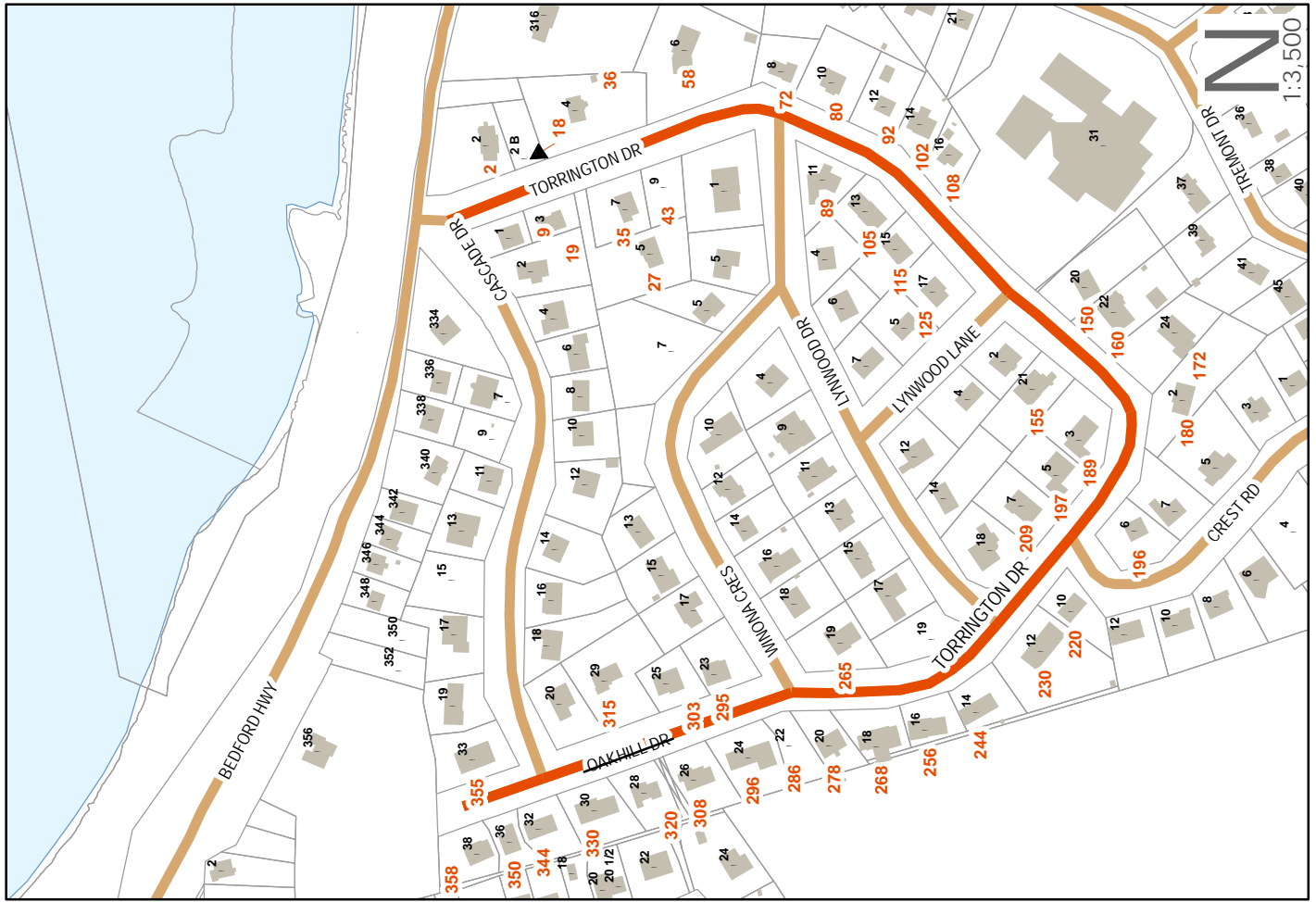
Report Approved by: Donna Davis, Division Manager, Data/Business Information Management, BPIM

Financial Approval by:



Cathie O'Toole, CGA, Director of Finance, 490-6308

New Street Names: TORRINGTON DRIVE



Effective Date: MAY 21, 2007

STREET NAME CHANGE - Halifax

Old Street Name: OAKHILL DRIVE

