

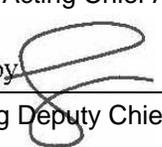


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**Item No. 14.1.6**  
**Halifax Regional Council**  
**June 21, 2016**

**TO:** Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council  
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**SUBMITTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
John Traves, Q.C. Acting Chief Administrative Officer

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Jane Fraser, Acting Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** May 25, 2016

**SUBJECT:** **Case CAO106: Street Naming from March 1 – March 31, 2016**

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**ORIGIN**

Street naming requests submitted through corrections projects and new subdivision applications from March 1 to March 31, 2016.

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

*Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*, s.323 “The Council may... (c): by policy, name or rename any street or private road;”

By-law C-300, *Respecting Civic Addressing*

Administrative Order #29, *Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies*

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to Administrative Order 29 Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies as set out in Attachment A of this report in order to approve the naming of four public streets and the renaming of six portions of a private road as identified in Attachment B and Maps 1 and 2.

**BACKGROUND**

*Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road by policy. As per the staff report of November 24, 2015, Regional Council officially approves all new street names for public roads and private lanes.

**Civic Addressing Policy and By-Law**

The Civic Addressing By-Law (C-300) requires that all names must be approved in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policy. Schedule A of the Policy contains the guidelines that must be followed for all new street or lane names (see Attachment C). Names are required for those streets or lanes which are submitted through:

- a) the subdivision process for new public street and new private lane and;
- b) the application process for existing un-named private lanes.

The Civic Addressing By-law defines a private lane as any street, road or travel way which serves three or more structures or facilities and is not owned by Halifax Regional Municipality or the Province of Nova Scotia. Therefore, all private lanes providing access to three or more structures or facilities must be named.

**Proposed Street Namings**

1. Public Street Naming

Proposed Name	Community	Origin	Map	Rationale For Naming
Carrie Best Court	Halifax	Created through subdivision #19348	1	New public streets shall be named
Eliza Ritchie Crescent	Halifax	Created through subdivision #19348	1	New public streets shall be named
Ruth Goldbloom Drive	Halifax	Created through subdivision #19348	1	New public streets shall be named
Theresa McNeil Grove	Halifax	Created through subdivision #19348	1	New public streets shall be named

3. Private Street Renaming

Current Name	Community	Proposed Name	Map	Admin Order Criteria
Bethel Avenue (portion of)	Dartmouth	Cecil Lane	2	Road services at least 3 structures
Bethel Avenue (portion of)	Dartmouth	Edna Lane	2	Road services at least 3 structures
Bethel Avenue (portion of)	Dartmouth	Florries Lane	2	Road services at least 3 structures
Bethel Avenue (portion of)	Dartmouth	Holmes Lane	2	Road services at least 3 structures
Bethel Avenue (portion of)	Dartmouth	Paget Lane	2	Road services at least 3 structures
Bethel Avenue (portion of)	Dartmouth	Pollys Lane	2	Road services at least 3 structures

## **DISCUSSION**

All of the street names listed above have been reviewed using HRM's Civic Addressing Policies and By-law and it has been determined that all of the proposed names are consistent with the Policies and By-law. Attachment B provides a more detailed discussion on each recommendation, including an evaluation of the names in relation to the Policies and By-law. Therefore, it is recommended that Regional Council approve all names, as contained in Attachment A, be approved.

Prior to November of 2015, staff were approving the naming and renaming of any new public streets or private roads. Due to a change in the interpretation of the *HRM Charter*, and HRM's Civic Addressing Policies and By-law, Council must now approve all street names. To enable staff to approve street names again, an amendment to the *HRM Charter* is required.

## **RISK CONSIDERATION**

There are no significant risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The costs associated with the administration of the HRM's Civic Addressing By-law and Administrative Order can be accommodated within the 2016-2017 operating budget for C420 – Land Development and Subdivision. A total of six new private lane signs and four public street signs are required at an estimated total cost of \$1,035.00.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

The community engagement process is consistent with the intent of the HRM Community Engagement Strategy. The level of community engagement was notification and/or consultation with affected property owners in accordance with the HRM Civic Addressing By-law [Section 4(2)]. As per the standard consultation process all relevant property owners and tenants were notified and/or consulted by letter.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

No environmental implications were identified.

## **ALTERNATIVE**

Regional Council may choose not to approve some or all of the street namings and renamings as contained in Attachment A. This alternative is not recommended as these street names meet the street naming criteria set out in HRM's Civic Addressing Policies (Administrative Order 29).

**ATTACHMENTS**

Map 1: Carrie Best Court, Eliza Ritchie Crescent, Ruth Goldbloom Drive, & Thera McNeil Grove, Halifax

Map 2: Cecil Lane, Edna Lane, Florries Lane, Holmes Lane, Paget Lane and Polly Lane, Dartmouth

Attachment A: Amending Administrative Order #29

Attachment B: Project Details of Proposed Naming

Attachment C: Administrative Order #29 Schedule A - Street Naming Guidelines

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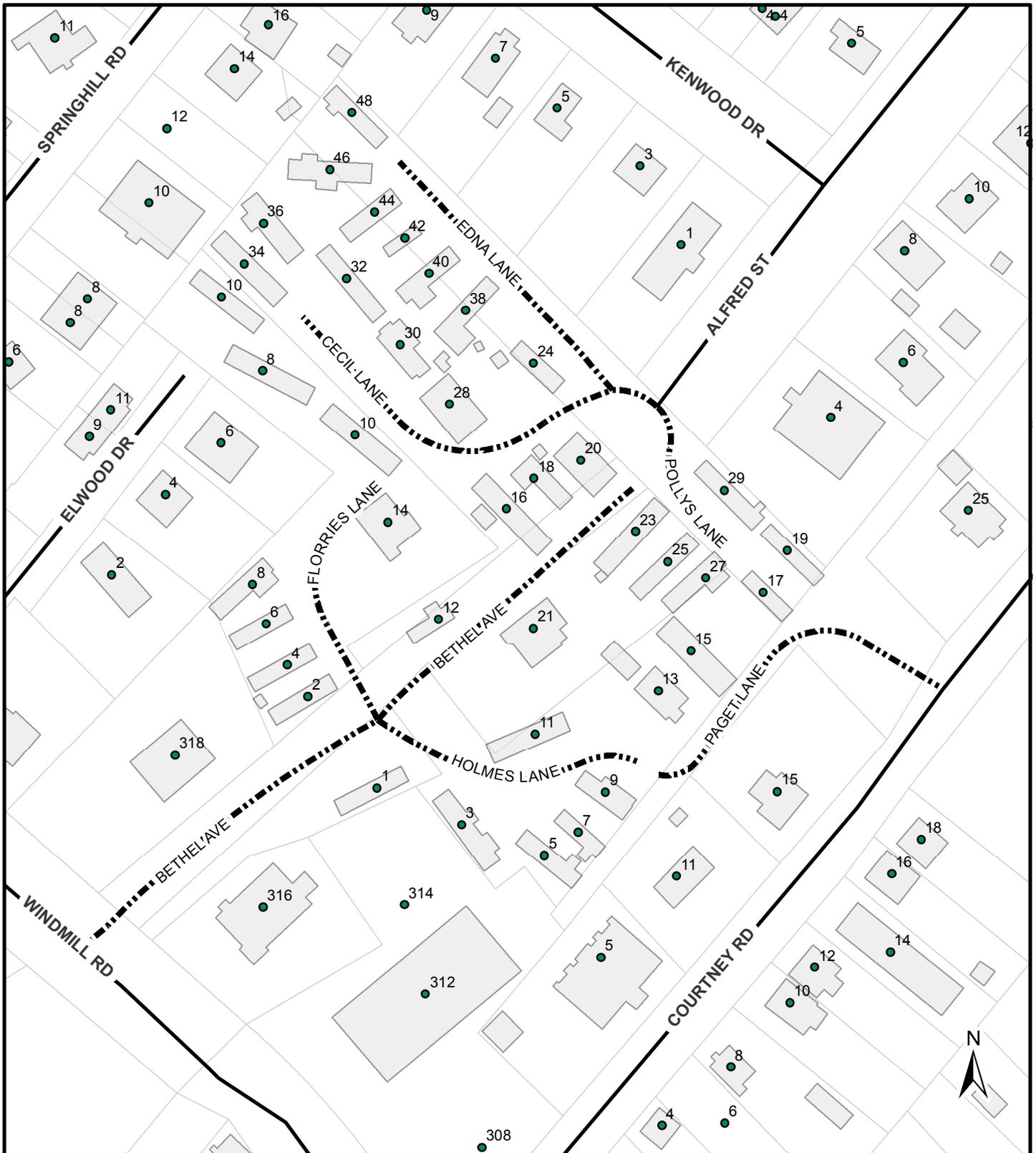
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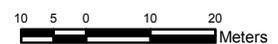
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**Map 2 - Cecil Lane, Edna Lane, Florries Lane, Holmes Lane, Paget Lane and Pollys Lane, Dartmouth**

**HALIFAX**



— — — Private Lanes

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**Attachment A:**  
(Amending Administrative Order #29)

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 29  
RESPECTING HRM CIVIC ADDRESSING POLICIES**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Administrative Order 29, Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies, is further amended as follows:

1. Schedule C is amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Caroline” and before the row starting “Carroll”

CARRIE BEST	COURT	HALIFAX	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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2. Schedule C is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Eldoras” and before the row starting “Elkridge”:

ELIZA RITCHIE	CRES	HALIFAX	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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3. Schedule C is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Rusty” and before the row starting “Rutherford”:

RUTH GOLDBLOOM	DRIVE	HALIFAX	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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4. Schedule C is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Tessa” and before the row starting “Thicket”:

THERSA MCNEIL	GROVE	HALIFAX	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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5. Schedule D is amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Cathedral” and before the row starting “Cedarwood”:

CECIL LANE	HALIFAX	BETHEL AVENUE (PORTION OF)	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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6. Schedule D is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Eastcoast” and before the row starting “Ertis”:

EDNA LANE	HALIFAX	BETHEL AVENUE (PORTION OF)	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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7. Schedule D is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Fiske” and before the row starting “Forgotten”:

FLORRIES LANE	HALIFAX	BETHEL AVENUE (PORTION OF)	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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8. Schedule D is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting “Hogg” and before the row starting “Horseshoe Lake”:

HOLMES LANE	HALIFAX	BETHEL AVENUE (PORTION OF)	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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9. Schedule D is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting "Oxer" and before the row starting "Paper Birch":

PAGET LANE	HALIFAX	BETHEL AVENUE (PORTION OF)	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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10. Schedule D is further amended by adding the following row after the row starting "Pinetree" and before the row starting "Pool":

POLLYS LANE	HALIFAX	BETHEL AVENUE (PORTION OF)	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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## Attachment B: Project Details of Proposed Street Naming

### 1. Public Street Names:

#### a) Carrie Best Court, Halifax

Reason for the naming: This public street was created through subdivision #19348 (Map 1).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new public street names.

Proposed Name: Carrie Best Court - This name was approved as a commemorative name by Regional Council at their July 23, 2013 meeting. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new public street, as shown on Map 1, be named Carrie Best Court, Halifax.

#### b) Eliza Ritchie Crescent, Halifax

Reason for the naming: This public street was created through subdivision #19348 (Map 1).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new public street names.

Proposed Name: Eliza Ritchie Crescent - This name was approved as a commemorative name by Regional Council at their July 23, 2013 meeting. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new public street, as shown on Map 1, be named Eliza Ritchie Crescent, Halifax.

c) Ruth Goldbloom Drive, Halifax

Reason for the naming: This public street was created through subdivision #19348 (Map 1).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new public street names.

Proposed Name: Ruth Goldbloom Drive - This name was approved as a commemorative name by Regional Council at their December 2, 2014 meeting. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new public street, as shown on Map 1, be named Ruth Goldbloom Drive, Halifax.

d) Theresa McNeil Grove, Halifax

Reason for the naming: This public street was created through subdivision #19348 (Map 1).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new public street names.

Proposed Name: Theresa McNeil Grove - This name was approved as a commemorative name by Regional Council at their July 23, 2013 meeting. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new public street, as shown on Map 1, be named Theresa McNeil Grove, Halifax.

### 3. Private Street Renamings:

#### a) Cecil Lane, Dartmouth

<u>Reason for the renaming:</u>	Current name, Bethel Avenue, has multiple sections, is not continuous, and continues through right angle turns (Map 2).
<u>Civic Addressing By-law/Policy:</u>	<i>Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter</i> allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies:  Policy A8: Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.  Policy A9: No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.
<u>HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee:</u>	The Committee confirmed that each section of Bethel Avenue should have its own name and be signed appropriately.
<u>Proposed Name:</u>	Cecil Lane, Dartmouth - This name was suggested by the property owner. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.
<u>Recommendation:</u>	In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the portion of Bethel Avenue as shown on Map 2 be renamed, Cecil Lane, Dartmouth. Eight residences will be affected.

#### b) Edna Lane, Dartmouth

<u>Reason for the renaming:</u>	Current name, Bethel Avenue, has multiple sections, is not continuous, and continues through right angle turns (Map 2).
<u>Civic Addressing By-law/Policy:</u>	<i>Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter</i> allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies:  Policy A8: Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.  Policy A9: No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.
<u>HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee:</u>	The Committee confirmed that each section of Bethel Avenue should have its own name and be signed appropriately.
<u>Proposed Name:</u>	Edna Lane, Dartmouth - This name was suggested by the property owner. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.
<u>Recommendation:</u>	In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the portion of Bethel Avenue as shown on Map 2 be renamed, Edna Lane, Dartmouth. Seven residences will be affected.

c) Florries Lane, Dartmouth

Reason for the renaming: Current name, Bethel Avenue, has multiple sections, is not continuous, and continues through right angle turns (Map 2).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies:

Policy A8: Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.

Policy A9: No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee confirmed that each section of Bethel Avenue should have its own name and be signed appropriately.

Proposed Name: Florries Lane, Dartmouth - This name was suggested by the property owner. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the portion of Bethel Avenue as shown on Map 2 be renamed, Florries Lane, Dartmouth. Six residences will be affected.

d) Holmes Lane, Dartmouth

Reason for the renaming: Current name, Bethel Avenue, has multiple sections, is not continuous, and continues through right angle turns (Map 2).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies:

Policy A8: Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.

Policy A9: No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee confirmed that each section of Bethel Avenue should have its own name and be signed appropriately.

Proposed Name: Holmes Lane, Dartmouth - This name was suggested by the property owner. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the portion of Bethel Avenue as shown on Map 2 be renamed, Holmes Lane, Dartmouth. Seven residences will be affected.

e) Paget Lane, Dartmouth

Reason for the renaming:

Current name, Bethel Avenue, has multiple sections, is not continuous, and continues through right angle turns (Map 2).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy:

*Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies:

Policy A8: Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.

Policy A9: No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee:

The Committee confirmed that each section of Bethel Avenue should have its own name and be signed appropriately.

Proposed Name:

Paget Lane, Dartmouth - This name was suggested by the property owner. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation:

In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the portion of Bethel Avenue as shown on Map 2 be renamed, Paget Lane, Dartmouth. Three residences will be affected.

f) Pollys Lane, Dartmouth

Reason for the renaming:

Current name, Bethel Avenue, has multiple sections, is not continuous, and continues through right angle turns (Map 2).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy:

*Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies:

Policy A8: Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.

Policy A9: No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee:

The Committee confirmed that each section of Bethel Avenue should have its own name and be signed appropriately.

Proposed Name:

Pollys Lane, Dartmouth- This name was suggested by the property owner. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation:

In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the portion of Bethel Avenue as shown on Map 2 be renamed, Pollys Lane, Dartmouth. Three residences will be affected.

## **Schedule A Street Naming Guidelines**

### **General Principles**

Uniqueness - there should be no duplication of names.

Distinctiveness - names that sound very similar should be avoided in order to avoid diction problems when people are making emergency calls under stress .

Continuity - a road running in one direction should have one name only and should have the same name throughout its entire length.

### **Guidelines**

#### **Street Name Characteristics**

- A1. No name shall be duplicated including similar names that are differentiated by street type.
- A2. No name shall sound like an existing name.
- A3. No name shall contain numbers, special characters, decimals, hyphens, apostrophes, periods, or punctuation of any kind.
- A4. No double barreled names shall be permitted except for HRM place names listed in the Nova Scotia Gazetteer or approved heritage names.
- A5. No streets names shall incorporate product, trademark or copyright names.
- A6. No name of more than 10 characters in length shall be permitted where the street type is more than 2 characters in length and no name of more than 11 characters in length shall be permitted where the street type is 2 characters in length except for HRM place names listed in the Nova Scotia Gazetteer or approved heritage names.

## Street Type Definitions (new streets only)

A7. An appropriate street type shall be used as follows:

Street Type	Use Guideline <i>currently under review</i>	Primary Abbreviation (Database Application)	Secondary Abbreviation (Signage Application)	Notes
Avenue		AVE	AVE	
Boulevard		BLVD	BLVD	
<i>Brae</i>		<i>BRAE</i>	<i>BR</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Circle		CIRC	CIR	
Close		CLOSE	CL	
<i>Connector</i>		<i>CONN</i>	<i>CN</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Court		CRT	CT	
Crescent		CRES	CR	
<i>Crest</i>		<i>CREST</i>	<i>CRST</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Cross</i>		<i>CROSS</i>	<i>CRS</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Diversion</i>		<i>DIVRSN</i>	<i>DIV</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Drive		DR	DR	
<i>East</i>		<i>EAST</i>		<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Extension</i>		<i>EXTN</i>	<i>EXT</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Gate		GATE	GT	
<i>Gateway</i>		<i>GTWY</i>	<i>GWY</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Green		GREEN	GRN	
Grove		GROVE	GRV	
<i>Hall</i>		<i>HALL</i>	<i>HL</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Heights		HTS	HTS	
Highway		HWY	HWY	
Hill		HILL	HL	
Street Type	Use Guideline <i>currently under review</i>	Primary Abbreviation (Database Application)	Secondary Abbreviation (Signage Application)	Notes

Landing		LNDG	LDG	
Lane		LANE	LN	
Loop		LOOP	LP	
Park		PARK	PK	
Parkway		PKY	PKY	
Path		PATH	PTH	
Place		PLACE	PL	
Ramp		RAMP	RMP	
Ridge		RIDGE	RG	
Road		RD	RD	
Route		RTE	RTE	
Row		ROW	ROW	
Run		RUN	RUN	
<i>Siding</i>		<i>SI</i>	<i>SI</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Square</i>		<i>SQR</i>	<i>SQ</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Street		ST	ST	
Terrace		TERR	TR	
Trail		TRL	TL	
<i>Turn</i>		<i>TURN</i>	<i>TRN</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Walk		WALK	WK	
Water Access		WA		
Way		WAY	WAY	
<i>West</i>		<i>WEST</i>		<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Woods</i>		<i>WOODS</i>	<i>WDS</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>

*Italics indicates legacy street types that are no longer acceptable in HRM.*

### Street Network Considerations

- A8. Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.
- A9. No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.
- A10. A continuous street intersecting the same collector road more than twice shall be given a different name.

- A11. The same name shall not be used at both ends of a loop road if the middle portion of the road has not been taken over by the Municipality.
- A12. A cul-de-sac shall have a different street name from its cross road.

### **Water Access**

- A13. Where access to a property is by water only, the street name shall be deemed to be the name of the island or waterbody as listed in the Nova Scotia Gazetteer.

### **Heritage Names**

- A14. The use of heritage names shall be encouraged.
- A15. All street names for the community of Bedford (Municipal District 21) shall conform with the former Town of Bedford Street Naming Policy (1987)<sup>1</sup> .

### **Theme Names**

- A16. Where street names in a neighbourhood are based on a specific theme, the name of all new street within the neighbourhood shall be consistent with the theme.

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<sup>1</sup> This policy is currently administered by the Development Officer for the Central Region