



Report to: Development Services Committee

Report Date: March 1, 2016

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**SUBJECT:** MUP Naming

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) THAT the March 1, 2016 report entitled “MUP Naming” be received;
- 2) AND THAT the name of “Markham’s Rouge Valley Trail” for the multi-use pathway be approved; and
- 3) THAT staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Not applicable.

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of a name for the Multi Use Path (MUP) from 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Bob Hunter Memorial Park.

**BACKGROUND:**

Council approved the Cycling Master Plan in 2010 and the Pathways and Trails Master Plan in 2008. Both plans implement the Official Plan policies that encourage pedestrian and cycling movement throughout Markham. Both plans were developed with comprehensive public consultation. A Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) was completed by the City for the missing MUP links from 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Bob Hunter Memorial Park through Toogood Pond and the Milne Dam Conservation Park. The EA was completed and approved by Council and the Minister of Environment in 2012. The multi-use pathway system includes lime stone & asphalt trail, boardwalks and pedestrian bridges.

The construction of the MUP is divided into four Phases as per staff’s April 21, 2015 Power Point Presentation;

- Phase 1 extends from Carlton Road and Main Street Unionville to Drakefield Road through the Milne Dam Conservation Park and was completed in 2014;
- Phase 2 is divided into two sections. The first section from east of Markham Road to Tuclor Lane (west of the Sherwood Amber Glen Community) requires the acquisition of two properties. Staff is currently in the process of acquiring the two

properties. The construction work is scheduled to commence in Fall 2016 or spring/summer 2017 subject to property acquisition. The construction work for the second section from Tuclor Lane to 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue is underway and scheduled to be completed in late summer 2016.

- Phase 3 completes two (2) sections in Toogood Pond and Milne Conservation Dam and is scheduled for construction to commence in Fall 2016 subject to TRCA approval.
- Phase 4 extends from south of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and connects to Bob Hunter Memorial Park south of DCP and is scheduled for 2017 subject to funding. A number of issues to be resolved include;
  - i) Access through Remington Parkview Golf Course (property requirement)
  - ii) Pedestrian safety
  - iii) Connection point to Bob Hunter Trail

The MUP program includes the construction of trailhead and wayfinding signs bearing the name of the MUP.

#### **OPTIONS/ DISCUSSION:**

##### **MUP Naming**

Both the Community Liaison Committee and Markham Council requested input into the MUP naming. In addition, the Phase 2 tender which has been awarded requires the City to advise the contractor by March 2016 regarding the MUP name so signage can be manufactured.

Corporate Communications staff undertook a naming contest, “Name it and Win”, which was advertised in the Markham Economist & Sun and Thornhill Liberal, on facility electronic information boards, facility public bulletin boards and the City’s Website through the Markham News Section and the top image link banner on the homepage. The contest ran from May 28, 2015 to June 26, 2015. In addition, a social media campaign was run on Facebook to promote the contest to residents. A total of 165 names were submitted from the public (see Appendix ‘A’).

The submissions were reviewed by Corporate Communications staff to ensure they were consistent with the criteria listed in the Facility and Parks Naming Policy. Nominations were also checked to avoid name duplication of existing similar facilities. From the submitted names, a short list, meeting the required criteria, was voted on by a review committee made up of Councillors Rea, Hamilton, Kanapathi, and Campbell, as well as Deputy Mayor Heath. Following are the top eight names the committee arrived at:

1. Celebration Trail
2. Destiny Trail
3. Inspiration Trail
4. Markham Harmony Trail
5. Markham Peace Path/Trail
6. Markham Pioneer Trail
7. Markham's Rouge Trail
8. Markham's Rouge Valley Trail

A report re the MUP Naming was presented to DSC on September 22, 2015, and the naming of the Multi-use Pathway was referred to the Mayor, Councillor Karen Rea and Councillor Colin Campbell and other interested Councillors for further discussion.

Corporate Communications ran a second voting contest "Vote for a Chance to Win", from December 15, 2015 to January 18, 2016. This contest was also advertised on the City's Website, in City facilities, in the local papers – Markham Economist & Sun and Thornhill Liberal and via social media channels to give the public the opportunity to select their favorite name from the options above. A total of 57 votes were received, and the results of the voting are as follows:

MUP Name	Percentage
1. Celebration Trail	0%
2. Destiny Trail	4%
3. Inspiration Trail	12%
4. Markham Harmony Trail	14%
5. Markham Peace Path Trail	12%
6. Markham Pioneer Trail	12%
7. Markham's Rouge Trail	14%
8. Markham's Rouge Valley Trail	32%

Based on the voting results we recommend the MUP be named "**Markham's Rouge Valley Trail**"

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS AND TEMPLATE:**

The manufacture and installation cost of the name signs is included as part of the Phase 2 tender. The cost of the signage for the remaining phases of the MUP will be included as part of the construction tender for each phase.

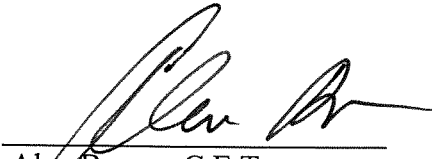
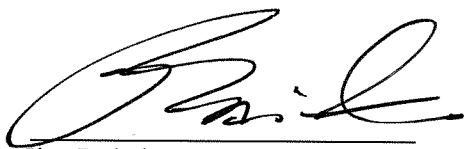
#### **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

This initiative is in line with the City of Markham's strategic focus relating to Municipal Services, Recreation including Accessibility and the Environment.

#### **BUSINESS UNITS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:**

Corporate Communication Department has been consulted in the preparation of this report and supports the recommendation.

**RECOMMENDED**

  
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Alan Brown, C.E.T.  
Director of Engineering  
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Jim Baird, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Commissioner of Development Services

**Attachments:**

**Attachment "A":** MUP Naming List

## Attachment "A"

### MARKHAM'S NEW MULTI-USE PATHWAY NAME SUBMISSIONS "Name it and Win"

#### Proposed Name

#### Rationale

1	<b>Sonder Lane</b>	<p>Definition of sonder: (noun) “the realization that each random passerby is living a life as vivid and complex as your own”</p> <p>This word is inspired by the chance encounters our community members will have as they use this pathway to enjoy nature, exercise and see the sites.</p> <p>The word also tips its hat to the word “saunter” which means a leisurely walk or stroll.</p> <p>Plus – it just sounds nice to the ears. I like it.</p>
2	<b>Rouge Valley Pathway</b>	It accurately describes the location and primary attractive feature of the pathway.
3	<b>The Eco Walk</b>	<p>My choice is made on the fact that the route passes through the most important geological , cultural, heritage sites and recreational parts of Markham city. It allows one to exercise, relax and hopefully stay stress free amidst the activity that Markham life brings.</p> <p>Greenery and the eco system are so important to maintaining a good life balance that Markham is striving for its citizens.</p> <p>Whilst the pathway will protect our heritage sites, it will at the same time be user friendly and lead families and private individuals to fun and recreational spots.</p> <p>The name is short and can easily be used by all nationalities in Markham</p>
4	<b>Markham Path</b>	No explanation provided
5	<b>Markham Pathway</b>	
6	<b>Markham Way</b>	
7	<b>Path of Wonder</b>	Because it is multi task path , It connect neighbourhoods , and protect our natural features , species and wildlife.
8	<b>Majesty Path</b>	
9	<b>Pathfinder Trail</b>	PathFinder Trail is a serene name for walking jogging and cycling nature's path through the Markham countryside from 16th Ave to Bob Hunter Memorial Park green space.

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10	<b>the Link</b>	<p>1. This pathway is going to connect many communities and people, and link is another word for connect.</p> <p>2. I like to give things names that are simple and easy to understand.</p> <p>3. This pathway will also give us a more positive connection/link with nature.</p> <p>4. This bridge is the missing link, as in it is the final thing that will perfect this city.</p>
11	<b>FRATERNITY PATHWAY</b>	<p>Fraternity is about community, togetherness, friendship, support and solidarity.</p> <p>People associate in a community as equals for a mutually beneficial purpose.</p>
12	<b>Branch Path</b>	<p>This is because bridges link and connect many systems, the way branches do for a tree.</p>
13	<b>Toogood Trail</b>	<p>I firstly chose the name because the pathway runs through Toogood Pond, and so I feel it would be suiting to name it after that.</p> <p>Secondly, I found that "Toogood Trail" (in my opinion) has a catchy ring to it, and would encourage riders to check it out.</p>
14	<b>Rouge Valley Parkway</b>	No explanation provided
15	<b>Colonel John Graves Simcoe Trail</b>	<p>He was our 1st Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada. He named Markham after his best friend William Markham who was the Archbishop of York in England. Simcoe surveyed Markham township in 1793-1794.</p>
16	<b>John Graves Simcoe Trail</b>	I think this would be a fitting name for the trail.
17	<b>Heritage Path</b>	<p>This word encompasses birthright, culture, custom, inheritance, legacy, right &amp; tradition!</p>
18	<b>Alma Walker Path (Received by mail)</b>	<p>She was our Mayor in the 1960s or 1970s (in the very early days of the Town of Markham. She was a pioneer, well-liked, honest and guided the other Members of Council as Markham grew from a small town to a big town - she deserves to be remembered!</p>
19	<b>Markway</b>	No explanation provided

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20	<b>Heaven's Wonder</b>	No explanation provided
21	<b>Pioneer Path</b>	<p>In reference to the historical people and places of Unionville/Markham. Along the the path, there could be plaques honouring people such as Willian Berczy, John Simcoe, Peter Reesor, William MacKenzie, Nicolas Hagerman, Abraham Raymer, Melcher Quantz, Fred Varley, David Gohn, Albert Lewis, George Pingle Jr. etc etc ... places such as Striver Mills, Union Mills. Then there can be a section honouring current day pioneers such as Mayor Scarpitti.</p>
		<p>Walking along the path with it's natural habitat will serve as a reminder of how the environment was starting from 1794 when Markham/Unionville was in it's pioneer days.</p>
22	<b>Markham Crosscut</b>	<p>If this is going to be a 16km "path" why not replace the word "path" or "trail" with something a little more trendy for 2015. Crosscut sounds in sync along side crossfit which seems to be one of the top fitness fad the last few years! By calling it Crosscut you instantly give speed walking, walking, running, biking and maybe even rollar blading a whole new name an experience on it's own when this activity is enjoyed at Markham Crosscut!</p> <p>You can give our new path a new ring to it by making the word crosscut a household word, "hey mom, can you and dad take me and Lauren on a bike ride tonight at Markham crosscut?" Or "...sounds good Ben, Ill meet you for a run at the crosscut".</p> <p>I thought it had a pretty interesting ring to it :)</p>
23	<b>Wellness Green Lane</b>	<p>Well*ness - the state or condition of being in good physical and mental health .</p> <p>Green - as green space where a place you will see green plants and everything that surrounds it is Important for mental well being...</p> <p>Green exercise - comprising of activity in green places ( in the presence of nature) is predicted to lead to positive health outcomes as well as to promote ecological knowledge .</p> <p>Green care- whereas the people or the neighbourhoods who lives nearby green places can protect our environmental conditions.</p>

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		Green designs - belongs to the people ( architects) who design the landscapes through their talents and expertise to provide us the best designs and in a safe way of designing the projects.
		Green education- as for Families with younger kids , it's the best time for parents to educate the kids about the environmental safety as well as to promote ecological knowledge .
24	<b>Markham Peace Path</b>	Since the Markham area has been developing over the years, it has become quite busy and packed with a lot of people. This new path will allow people from the community, or even people outside of the community, to come and explore the natural environment of Markham. A place where they can truly be at peace, and peacefully observe the beautiful surroundings such as the wildlife habitats, natural/cultural/heritage sites throughout the city.
25	<b>The Pioneer Pathway (TPP)</b>	In reference to the historical people and places of Unionville/Markham. Along the the path, there could be plaques honouring people such as William Berczy, John Simcoe, Peter Reesor, William MacKenzie, Nicolas Hagerman, Abraham Raymer, Melcher Quantz, Fred Varley, David Gohn, Albert Lewis, George Pingle Jr. etc etc ... places such as Striver Mills, Union Mills. Then there can be a section honouring current day pioneers such as Mayor Scarpitti. Walking along the path with it's natural habitat will serve as a reminder of how the environment was starting from 1794 when Markham/Unionville was in it's pioneer days.
26	<b>The Path for Friends</b>	A place to walk and talk and enjoy the sights and sounds of nature.
27	<b>The Markham Path</b>	Because it will be "the path" that connects Markham. I read: multi-use pathway from 16th Avenue and Kennedy Road through Toogood Pond and the Milne Dam Conservation Area to Bob Hunter Memorial Park. Also why not bring out our city?--Let people know what Markham has to offer and how beautiful our neighbourhood is! :)
28	<b>The Path</b>	
29	<b>Homestead on the Boundary</b>	which is the actual (translation/meaning) of the surname "Markham", which I feel is best suited for the new pathway.



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30	<b>Pan Am Unionville Pathway</b>	representing year of pan am game and UNIONVILLE area Thanks
31	<b>Pathway to Havens</b>	it joins Toogood pond, Milne Conservation area and Rob Hunter Park. All three are beautiful places for people to enjoy nature and experience a respite from the daily, hectic lives we live.
32	<b>The Nature Pathway</b>	The reason that I chose these names was because I'd like to keep the name nice and simple and yet it tells the pathway is all about the beauty of nature and the Sunshine that's full of hope. I've also thought about 'Walking-on-Sunshine' or 'The walk of nature' which I also felt would perfectly describe the pathway.
33	<b>The Sunshine Pathway</b>	
34	<b>Alternative Energy Footpath</b>	I was thinking of a name that would connect Markham and stress the importance of community. As a teacher we teach about energy and how energy is taken from surrounding sources.
35	<b>Union-Milne Nature Trailway</b>	
36	<b>Conservation Trailway</b>	
37	<b>Rouge Parks Trailway</b>	
38	<b>The Country Lane</b>	We lived in Unionville from 1963 to 2002.  That same area was open to trails for snowmobiles, because the river froze, skating on the river, and hiking. It was also an area that our kids went to when they "ran away from home" Wonderful memories of that area. So glad you are opening it up... I hope to come back with my children, my neighbours children and our grandchildren to hike from one end to the other with a picnic lunch somewhere along the Riverbend Road section.

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39	<b>Path to Paradise</b>	It's leading you to enjoy the path by looking through the beautiful nature. You can enjoy the beauty while walking through the path. The sound of bird chirping, the sound of the leaves moving with the wind. The beautiful colours of the leaves. So beautiful that you get lost in your imaginary and your thoughts. It brings you smile and appreciating the nature. Nice breeze of the trees, the shadow it provides. The sun shining through. It bring happiness indeed. You see the people walking by and all you give is smile. A smile that makes other people smile and it goes on. Sharing a happiness with others is a blessing.
40	<b>Berczy Path</b>	(after William Moll Berczy) How appropriate to name it after someone who brought the first settlers to Markham. Exploring was in this person's blood and this pathway will allow thousands to explore beautiful areas of Markham.
41	<b>Serenity Path</b>	
42	<b>Starfall Pathway</b>	
43	<b>Central Park</b>	, because it is centrally located walking distance to the whole of the Markham community , and it is basically Built behind a lot of different communities backyard literally give a vast amount of entry points.
44	<b>Destiny</b>	This pathway is like a paradise lane which brings you tranquility, peace of mind n stay healthy.
45	<b>Inspiration Trail</b>	
46	<b>Frindur Path</b>	because in the year of 2015 iceland was named the most peaceful country. Iceland's official language is Icelandic and peace in Icelandic is Frindur. This way the concept is that people who walk on the path will find peace. This is why I believe the new Markham path should be named after walking in peace.

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47	<b>Showquant</b>	I think canada needs to represent our 2nd language a lot more. So I have chosen a french word. It comes from happiness and very exciting vocabulary ( e.x. Happy shocked e.t.c.) Shocked is a very upbeat and EXCITING word. I have chosen showquant off of choquant. It is a lot easier to pronounce if half of this EXCITING word is English so multiple people can understand what I am trying to explain but it still comes off of the the French version of shocked
48	<b>Multi-Path</b>	Concise and to the point ... not too cutesy .... perfect for marketing opportunities ....
49	<b>Markham Local Motion Community Nature Pathway</b>	<p>It is obvious the pathway is in Markham but why not state it loud and proud. Local Motion is meant to represent a choice in how members of the community and visitors will travel and enjoy the pathway. This could be walking, running, roller blading, in a stroller or wheelchair, riding a tricycle, bicycle or in a wagon.</p> <p>Community represents people from all cultures with varying levels of ability coming together with a common purpose.</p> <p>Nature Pathway lets people know that they will see and enjoy the beauty of nature, culture and heritage in Markham while exploring the pathway.</p>
		<p>I look forward to enjoying being able to actively explore the beauty of Markham from a different point of view with family and friends.</p> <p>Thank You for the opportunity to suggest a name for the pathway.</p> <p>I have lived and worked in Markham for 15 wonderful years.</p>

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50	<b>Markham's Wildlife Workout</b>	because of how you exercise when you take a stroll around there. Whether you're hiking, biking, running etc you are always doing something to keep you fit and healthy. 15 km of pathway trails is quite a workout for many people. I chose Wildlife, because you are outdoors surrounded by trees, grass, bushes, etc. you can have a breath of nature while enjoying the great outdoors. The name gives the always-driving people knowing that there are more fit and enjoyable ways to get around town without wasting money, gas and your health. Another reason for "Wildlife Workout" is because they start with the same letter. I think it is very catchy when sentences or words start with the same letter. I did not say a 'walk' because this is a multiuse pathway for everyone to use. Please take my idea into consideration because I would very much enjoy a pathway I, my family and friends agree on. Thank you Markham.
51	<b>SAMARIKA</b>	
52	<b>United Trail</b>	
53	<b>Way to Nature</b>	
54	<b>Satyam Sivam Sunderam</b>	
55	<b>Markham Nexus Trail</b>	I wanted to reflect the theme of connecting different communities together. Nexus is the latin word for connection.
56	<b>Markham Corridor</b>	
57	<b>Rouge Path</b>	
58	<b>Connect Markham</b>	The name says it all
59	<b>Markham Connected</b>	
60	<b>Journey to Life</b>	
61	<b>John Graves Simcoe Trail</b>	name the pathway after the first Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada. He named Markham.
62	<b>MUPWAY</b>	I like to keep things simple. This acronym tells you everything you need to know about the path.
63	<b>Rosette Way</b>	Because this Pathway could be covered with lots of flowers on the sides.

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64	<b>Crosspoint Trail</b>	it provides crossing points to significant physical barriers such as the Rouge Valley.
65	<b>The Nature Trail</b>	this trail protects our natural features, species and wildlife habitats.
66	<b>Let's Connect Trail</b>	it will <b>connect neighbourhoods</b> and other pathways.
67	<b>The Markham Way</b>	
68	<b>The Way of the Future</b>	
69	<b>The Multi-Use Eco Way</b>	
70	<b>That's the Markham WAY</b>	
71	<b>Berczy Trail</b>	would relate nicely to Markham and Unionville's past. Short and to the point.
72	<b>Harmony Trail</b>	its a cooperation of all livings things.
73	<b>Markham's Connected People Trail</b>	both are self explanatory
74	<b>Next to Nature Trail</b>	
75	<b>The Markham Connection</b>	This is my idea for the name of the new pathway. I chose The Markham Connection because it connects Toogood pond to Bob Hunter Memorial Park. Later it can be shortened to " the connection" when people are referring to it when they are making plans to use it. For example " let's take the connection to get there". This is my idea I hope you like it
76	<b>Four Seasons Pathway</b>	The trees and shrubbery around this pathway looks inviting now, I'm sure fall and winter will also be splendid,
77	<b>Too Good to be thr</b>	that mean the path are through 16th Kennedy to too good pond, a nice trail for us to use, so name too good to be thr is wonderful name.
78	<b>Markham Passage Trail</b>	Well after much thought, and from a family of trail riders, we wanted to come up with something that reflects bringing Markham together. As well as the meaning behind the path which preserves all of the gorgeous nature that Markham has to offer. Passage is connecting. Trail being in nature.

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79	<b>The Natural Diversity Pathway</b>	The pathway's name that would best suit this position, would be one that encourages the usage of this pathway; in order to show people the wonderful things nature has to offer. This name that I have chosen suits this requirement perfectly because the pathway would connect with other pathways in Markham, that have their very own unique features which would show all the different and unique features of nature. The word, diversity fits well with this pathway because by using this pathway, it would allow people to explore many different and the diversity of nature. Also, the word diversity works very well for Markham itself, because Markham is known to be a very diverse city. Finally, the word, natural, suits this pathway because it shows that no major human interruptions were made to the areas.
80	<b>Markham Rouge Green Path</b>	
81	<b>Clarence Chant</b>	father of Canadian astronomy and driving force behind building of David Dunlap Observatory. Born and raised at 14th Avenue and Kennedy Road, I believe. I don't think anything has been named after him.
82	<b>Universal Walkway Trail</b>	
83	<b>Markham Memories</b>	Talking a nature walk allows one to rest(casual walk), release (talk), and restore (build strength). Allowing one the option to create wonderful calming moments in the city of Markham.
84	<b>Markham Links</b>	The reason for my choice is that it's a multi-use path that's objective is to allow people easy access to different parts of Markham, linking it together.
85	<b>Access to Nature</b>	As a parent of a special needs youth in a wheelchair and a active 7 year old boy, being able to access nature barrier free with both children is crucial for us as a family.
86	<b>The People's Pathway</b>	since it will be for use by all of the people inclusively. Markham is made of of people from all ethnicity and from all walks of life and this name will embrace everyone and exclude no one.

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87	<b>The Unity Pathway</b>	
88	<b>Markham Nature Trail/Path</b>	
89	<b>Markham Safari Trail/Path</b>	
90	<b>Rouge Valley Trail/Path</b>	
91	<b>Union Pathway</b>	<p>Such a name would envelope very well the purpose of the bridge, to provide the ability to access all the wonders of our city.</p> <p>The bridge will not only unify the city, but bring the people of Markham together to share our culture and heritage to become true neighbours to each other.</p> <p>Union Pathway is a simple yet meaningful name to the new multi-use pathway.</p>
92	<b>Oldtyme Markham Toogood Trail (OMTT)</b>	<p>I was born In old-time Markham when the corner of old Highway 48 and 7 was the fairgrounds and our playground extended from our backyard on Peter Street to Toogood Pond before it even had a name.</p> <p>Preserving and encouraging the enjoyment of the outdoors is paramount.</p> <p>I am looking forward to using</p>
93	<b>Terry Fox Trail</b>	<p>In Markham we strive to connect people and places. Today I would like to take the opportunity to pique citizens' interest with a new trail system named after a truly iconic and inspirational Canadian.</p> <p>This trail in Markham is a shining example in a vibrant city that deserves a name that stands out at the national level. Terry united this country from coast to coast with his dream. Naming this trail in the heart of Markham after him will keep his dream alive and bring Markham communities together. Perhaps one day like-minded cities will build their own similar trails and we can dream that a unified Terry Fox Trail that spans the whole country will become a reality! Is there a better place to begin this infrastructure than the progressive city of Markham?</p>
94	<b>Tranquility Trails</b>	it looks so beautiful and peaceful beautiful place to take a walk or a bike ride
95	<b>Markham Boardwalk</b>	It is made of boards and it is a walkway.

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96	<b>United Way</b>	It joins and gives access to so many areas not accessible before and helps neighbours to unite in their quest for exercise and enjoyment of the outside.
97	<b>Hogweed Pathway</b>	Hogweed is the natural plant of Markham
98	<b>Bluestem Pathway</b>	Native plant of Markham
99	<b>The Country Path</b>	That will make it memorable to us who lived in that area when it was "country" It will also entice us to revisit that area were we hiked thru bramble in the summer, and we snowmobiled in the winter for so many years . My children will come back just to hike that path and area that they played in.
100	<b>Celebration Trail</b>	I thought it could be a fitting name, as the path passes through Milne Park, and through/near Unionville Main Street and Markham Main Street. These wonderful places host festivals and celebrations, drawing out the best in our wider community, showcasing our people, arts, music and culture.
101	<b>Markham Trail</b>	
102	<b>Stay Green Trail</b>	
103	<b>Purple Martin Pathway</b>	because of the significance of the word means luck and community peace. As a full time worker in the Markham region, those are the two qualities I feel that Markham has for sure. Besides that another cool fact about the Purple Martins are that they always watch out for each others safety and I feel like that's exactly what families' do as well. With these interesting facts learnt about the beautiful bird, it is for sure that families will have a warm feeling every time the cross this bridge.
104	<b>Nature's Fitness Path</b>	
105	<b>Fitness Trail</b>	
106	<b>Pathway to Fitness</b>	
107	<b>Rainbow Warrior Trail</b>	As a citizen of Markham from a South Asian background, I'm very proud of our title as the diversity capital of Canada. Here, we not only show acceptance but truly celebrate our diversity!



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		As we all enjoy this trail I would like us all to feel a connection with the diverse people we may share this trail with, the array of animals we may catch a glimpse of and the unique plants we may watch grow.
		As we witness the beauty of nature I would like us to think to the future and how we may preserve this for generations to come.
108	<b>Tranquility Trail</b>	
109	<b>Rouge River Pathway - Markham</b>	
110	<b>Rouge Way</b>	<p>I am assuming it will course through the Rouge Valley</p> <p>It sounds right</p> <p>It's catchy and memorable</p> <p>It sounds like a path that will support bikes and foot traffic</p> <p>It's a good hashtag for social media #rougeway (only 1 post on Instagram.. for some dog!)</p> <p>The Instagram account is also available</p>
111	<b>Nature Crosswalk</b>	
112	<b>Crossing Green</b>	
113	<b>Green Cross</b>	
114	<b>Nature's Gateway</b>	<p>Nature is the single most peaceful awesome getaway for everyone no matter how you experience it. Sitting walking biking and its a gateway for all ages. Random places to sit would make this experience perfection</p> <p>A gateway to not escape per say but renew and centre yourself and see Gods gifts to all.</p> <p>Being near nature will always makes us feel better.</p> <p>May the perfect name to draw many be discovered</p> <p>We need more of these Natures gateways in the world</p>
115	<b>Markham Unity Trail (MUT)</b>	<p>Chose the name <b>Markham Unity Trail (MUT)</b> as it is designed to join and bring communities together. I have been living in Markham for 30 years now and this is the first time I feel like I am being connected to other parts of the town. I am a runner so this trail is a fantastic way for me to explore other neighborhoods. Off road access to other cultures, business and communities in a serene peaceful setting is just awesome!</p>

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117	<b>Labyrinth</b>	
118	<b>Memory Lane</b>	Whether with family or friends time strolling together or biking are times to cherish. You may see something in nature or make a new friend.
119	<b>Peace Way</b>	
120	<b>The Natural World Way (The NWW) Markham's Natural World Way</b>	Multipurpose hosting through all of our beautiful natural world. Any way, any season, see the beauty in our natural and cherished Markham!
121	<b>The Alma Walker Memorial Trail</b>	she was the first Mayor of Markham, and I believe that this is the first pathway of this kind.
122	<b>Markham's Path</b>	Markham is on the right path..... as well as naming
123	<b>Generation's (MUP)</b>	The MUP will be used for generations to come, not only for us but for the wildlife as well
124	<b>The Crossing Path</b>	People crossing paths, crossing paths with the wild life habitats, crossing neighbourhoods as well as heritage sites and then some
125	<b>Neighbours Path</b>	Along the path, Neighbours will meet for generations to come.
126	<b>Features Pathway</b>	I think it says it all, many features along the pathway
127	<b>The Long and Winding Road</b>	Everyone loves or can relate to the Beatles. It's catchy in that it's the title of one of their iconic songs.

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128	<b>The Nature and Nurture Pathway</b>	I suggest this name because it seems to embody the purpose of the pathway as it is intended to enjoy and preserve the natural plant and animal features you will see along the path but it also nurtures your soul and your physical fitness to use this pathway either by walking or biking as well as enjoying the features of the area. The use of 'nurture' can also signify the preservation of the heritage sites that you will connect to as well as the friendships you will nurture by using the pathway to connect with friends or to enjoy walking together with friends or family. The name would use alliteration and it would be easy to say and recognize. I think using too many words makes it harder to remember and recognize for the residents of Markham.
129	<b>A Walk on the Wild Side</b>	It's a nature walk (wild) and an opportunity for a new experience (wild side of opportunity and experiences) that would never be available nor attempted otherwise, connecting with nature and culturally different people and communities.
130	<b>Pleasure Path</b>	It always such a pleasure to walk or ride bikes through the new paths that have been so beautifully created to encourage our use of outdoor space and help the community become more aware of nature that is right here in front of us.
131	<b>Simmer Bridge</b>	Simmer meaning to relax or to enjoy your time, I believe it is a good fit for the new bridge as it would give the impression as an easy going and peaceful connection to nature. I go to 100 Good pond quite often and the bridges located there are always a nice place to unwind and be relieved of stress. Simmer Bridge would give others the same feeling as it does to I, forget the Wi-fi and technology we have today and remember the nature around us. Simmer also reminds us of the word Summer, a season that is most enjoyable outdoors, giving more feeling to the potential

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132	<b>Cherish Bridge</b>	<p>The name is quite self-explanatory, simply meaning to cherish the things around us such as the nature at Too Good Pond. To cherish the moments we have, to live in Markham we are highly fortunate for our wonderful community. Cherish Bridge would be a fantastic place to realize how many things our Council construct for us. To be able to have an efficient way to connect to nature (thanks to our City Council) we should cherish all the things we get from our city. Cherish our home and community.</p>
		<p>Thank you for taking time to read my entry, I appreciate this contest to include our community members to have a chance to name a new bridge.</p> <p>I visit Too Good Pond often and having this chance means a lot, please consider my entry, thank you!</p>
133	<b>Faithful Bridge</b>	<p>Living in our generation can be tough (as a kid) with new technology and social media, it's hard to keep up. After my daily visits to Too Good Pond I realize we don't need social media or video games to be entertained. Being connected to nature makes me happy and to know that we can always rely on mother nature. It's faithful beauty will never fail to leave me in awe. Faithful is a word to rely on, to rely on a bridge that can show us the beauty of mother nature is fantastic. Coming from a generation with many broken promises it'd be nice to have somewhere where we can let loose and just trust.</p> <p>Thank you for reading my entry, I appreciate this contest to include our community members to have this opportunity. Please consider my entry, thanks!</p>
134	<b>Godway</b>	
135	<b>Rouge Valley Pathway</b>	<p>When my friend told me about the path 3 weeks ago, I cycled to Milne Dam Conservation Area and ride all the way to 16th Avenue and back home (29kms). And I have been riding that route twice a week, and the section of the ride I enjoy the most is along the Rouge Valley.</p>
136	<b>Wandernet Road</b>	<p>As the project is to connect various sites throughout the City and just like one key point of the net, so I think the <b>Wandernet</b> is more appropriate. I'll be very happy if you choose this one.</p>
137	<b>Wanderview Road</b>	

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138	<b>William Berczy Pathway</b>	(who is the Founder of Markham)
		<p><b>Reference:</b>  <a href="http://www.markham.ca/wps/portal/markham/AboutMarkham/Heritage/MarkhamHistory!ut/p/a1/hY9BboMwEEXP0gvYA8aOWbpGISamriOREG8qELGKGkNLo3L9Omm2TWcx0kqv67_BDtFYDc133zXnfhyaq-0-V27CXhGyGXT2CXxgagmOY8ppqEHYB9AGQuVslCA0CVZ6AW9rEy5ZoE9JovFMhIrKEwZclBbYtY6VSDiJbHv4YAf_177D7RUwupd5ya20eetVKUFUSkDS6AfcUr8AdhwK7_uDRfPQIEGc0ShlNY8ZpUCB4l2E3fr5n3l6-EcOB8A67qX1tp3ZCb-PXGdfzPKNuHLtTi44N_vBVDf2z3-zFww-oYOGj/dl5/d5/L2dBISevZ0FBIS9nQSEh/">http://www.markham.ca/wps/portal/markham/AboutMarkham/Heritage/MarkhamHistory!ut/p/a1/hY9BboMwEEXP0gvYA8aOWbpGISamriOREG8qELGKGkNLo3L9Omm2TWcx0kqv67_BDtFYDc133zXnfhyaq-0-V27CXhGyGXT2CXxgagmOY8ppqEHYB9AGQuVslCA0CVZ6AW9rEy5ZoE9JovFMhIrKEwZclBbYtY6VSDiJbHv4YAf_177D7RUwupd5ya20eetVKUFUSkDS6AfcUr8AdhwK7_uDRfPQIEGc0ShlNY8ZpUCB4l2E3fr5n3l6-EcOB8A67qX1tp3ZCb-PXGdfzPKNuHLtTi44N_vBVDf2z3-zFww-oYOGj/dl5/d5/L2dBISevZ0FBIS9nQSEh/</a></p>
139	<b>Markham Gateways / Pathway</b>	<p>I think Markham Gateways is a suitable name for this pathway because 'Gateways' communicates the idea that this multi-use pathway connects various built and natural features of Markham. Markham Gateways sounds like it integrates our various pathways into a network that invites users to explore and enjoy the city's both natural features and built heritage.</p>
140	<b>Markham East Trail</b>	the pathway is through east of Markham
141	<b>TMB Trail</b>	it is through Toogood Pond and the Milne Dam Conservation Area to Bob Hunter Memorial Park
142	<b>Toogood Memorial Trail</b>	it starts at Toogood Pond and ends at Bob Hunter Memorial Park
143	<b>Serenity Lane / Avenue</b>	
144	<b>Hunter(s) Pathway</b>	
145	<b>Too Good Gallery Walk to the Park</b>	<p>the pathway will not only pass through the Too Good Pond but it is going to be a multiuse thoroughfare through the best neighbourhoods of Markham and interconnect them. The pathway is also going to showcase the best natural, cultural and heritage sites of this city for people to enjoy as they make their way through it, just as they would do while viewing a gallery. Finally, the pathway will be ending at the Bob Hunter Memorial Park, a persona who was a really good influence on the people of the GTA.</p>
146	<b>Checkmark</b>	route actually resembles a checkmark!
147	<b>TrekMark</b>	✓ represents Markham

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		✓ has a positive connotation
		✓ great for marketing; e.g. "Want to <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> explore Markham while <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> getting exercise and <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> enjoying nature? Use CheckMark if your answer is yes!"
148	<b>Markham Multi-Trail</b>	highlights the multi-use aspect but trail also indicates relationship to our natural environment
149	<b>Markham People's Pathway</b>	highlights the path is for all residents
150	<b>East Markham Trail</b>	Simple and highlights that the trail crosses much of the eastern part of the city
151	<b>The Markham Way</b>	This name can have several different meanings and all are relevant to the pathway. It is easy to remember and say, and it is more about the journey than the destination.
152	<b>Pathway to Peace</b>	
153	<b>Pathway: It is for the Birds</b>	
154	<b>Shanthi Marg</b>	
155	<b>Heavenly Pathway for All</b>	
156	<b>Goodall Path</b>	Ties in with the name of Toogood Pond, and a pathway good for all to use in multiple ways, while linking up various communities.
157	<b>Union Mills Trail</b>	Markham has a great heritage of mills, and union mills is one of the historic buildings that burned down. Union Mills Trails is a fitting name for a trail that unites 3 great destinations in Markham.

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158	<b>Tranquility Trail</b>	The pathway being built by the City of Markham is a symbol of peace, beauty and harmony in our increasingly materialistic lives. In order to capture the atmosphere and purpose of this amazing project, I believe that this pathway should be named, "Tranquility Trail". The word "tranquil" is a synonym of the word, "calm". Creating a peaceful, harmonious and tranquil environment is the goal of this project. It is my belief that the name mentioned above, symbolizes the connection between nature and man, which is being threatened today and which we need to repair. Furthermore, this name will convey the calm and peaceful nature of this trail, where people can take a break from the stress of everyday life in a catchy and meaningful way. That is why this path should be named, "Tranquility Trail".
159	<b>Shanti Van</b>	This pathway being built by the City of Markham is a symbol of peace and harmony in an otherwise increasingly developed and industrialized city. It is a place where nature and man can interact in peace and it is my belief that the name, " <u>Shanti Van</u> " would suit this pathway extremely well. The words "Shanti Van" mean "Forest of peace" in my mother tongue, Hindi. The trail itself, will be an abode of peace, as it will be a place where people leave behind the stress of everyday and enjoy the beauty of nature around them. In today's world, a peaceful environment is often lacking, which gives added weight to the name mentioned above. This name is an unconventional, yet extremely beautiful name that not only symbolizes the harmony and connection between nature and man, but also the peace and cordial relations in Markham's and Canada's extremely diverse societies.
160	<b>Markham Nature Trail Link</b>	The reason for choosing this name, Markham, where it's located. Trail, a route or course to the different locations or pathways. Nature is the world of animals and plants. Nature Trail is a path laid out in a natural environment. Link is connection to the neighbourhoods.
161	<b>Markham Rouge Trail</b>	Thus it would be known as the MRT or the MRP.. Whatever name is chosen it should include "ROUGE" in it since so much of the pathway is aligned with the Rouge River and or its tributaries. The Rouge possesses such a rich history and was the reason for the original settlement of Markham by both Native and European peoples.
162	<b>Markham Rouge Pathway</b>	

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163	<b>Markham Unity Trail</b>	the trail will unite neighbourhoods as well as Markham with Unionville, which is suggested in the name, and the various interest groups, walkers, runners, nature lovers and cyclists.
164	<b>The Vivian Magi-Thomson Trail / Pathway</b>	If you're not familiar with this name, Vivian Magi-Thomson was a proud resident of the City of Markham, residing in the Conservation area. She was also a valued staff member in the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division for the City of Toronto. Her active lifestyle made Vivian and family very familiar with the various park systems that run throughout Markham/York Region. Sadly, Vivian passed away on August 6, 2014. I know she would have loved this new 15 km pathway that connects her backyard to Markham community. Her husband rides now his bike on this new path and The Vivian Magi-Thomson Pathway would not only be a celebration to honour her life but honour her dedication to fitness, community and protecting York Region's natural habit.
165	<b>Heavenly Path</b>	