



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 3, 2006

TO: Sheila Birrell, Town Clerk

FROM: Valerie Shuttleworth, Director of Planning and Urban Design *VS*

SUBJECT: Request by the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville to name a Rouge river tributary extending into Markham

We are in receipt of a request made by the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville to formally name a tributary of the Rouge River extending into Markham from Whitchurch-Stouffville between Ninth Line and McCowan Road. The tributary runs through the community of Dicksons Hill. The map provided by Whitchurch-Stouffville is attached.

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is suggesting the name 'Dickson Hill Creek'. We have reviewed this proposed name with the Policy and Heritage group and have no objection.

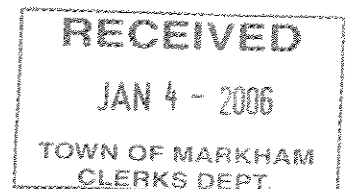
Please place the request by the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville on the next Development Services Committee or Committee of the Whole agenda in order to obtain a Council resolution.

Suggested Resolution

THAT the Town of Markham support the proposed stream name of "**Dickson Hill Creek**" for the Rouge River tributary extending from Whitchurch-Stouffville into Markham through the community of Dicksons Hill.

AND THAT the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville advise the Town of Markham upon submission of the name to the Geographic Names Society and the decision of the Geographic Names Board in order to modify our mapping accordingly.

Attach





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December 13, 2005

Clerk's Department
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Re: Stream Naming
Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

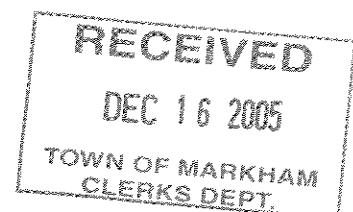
The Whitchurch-Stouffville Streetnaming Committee is currently in the process of naming tributaries of the Little Rouge River within the boundaries of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

As shown on the attached plan, the main branch of the tributaries to be named extends into the Town of Markham. We solicited some suggestions from your staff by letter dated March 2, 2005 and the names Dickson Creek, John Dickson Creek and Dickson's Mill Creek were provided by Lilli Duoba, Senior Project Coordinator.

Following further consultation with residents and staff of various agencies, the Committee would like to submit the name Dickson Hill Creek to the Geographic Names Board for consideration/approval. This name reflects and commemorates both the past historic landowner, Mr. John Dickson and also the current Community of Dickson Hill.

Prior to making this application, we would request that the Town of Markham provide approval and/or endorsement of the name through a resolution in Council.

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If you have any questions or require any further information, feel free to contact the undersigned at (905) 640-1910 ext. 250 or Ruth Burkholder, Chair, Whitchurch-Stouffville Street Naming Committee (ruth.burk@sympatico.ca) at your convenience

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jack Boonstra', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jack Boonstra
Development Technologist
Development Services Department

Attachments

cc: Lilli Duoba, Senior Project Coordinator, Town of Markham
Ruth Burkholder, Chair, Whitchurch-Stouffville Street Naming Committee

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April 6, 2005

Ruth Burkholder
Chair, Whichurch-Stouffville Street Naming Committee
37 Sandiford Drive, 4th Floor
Stouffville, Ontario L4A 7X5

Dear Ms. Burkholder

Re: Stream Naming

Thank you for letter dated March 2, 2005 and your request for Markham input for potential stream names.

Of the three streams that you have identified for consideration, only one stream flows south into Markham through the Dickson Hill community. I have requested that our Heritage Group review the historical context of this stream location and identify any potential stream names for consideration. The Heritage Group have identified the following potential names:

1. Dickson Creek
2. John Dickson Creek
3. Dickson's Mill Creek

The historical justification is provided as follows:

Tributary #2 runs through the community of Dickson Hill. Dickson Hill was named for John Dickson, a millwright and mill owner who established a grist mill on Lot 30 Concession 8 during the period 1843-44. The mill pond for this establishment was located on the subject tributary near the south east corner of Hwy 48 and 19th Avenue. So from an historical perspective, John Dickson had a direct connection with the tributary, and the community's early development is linked to it as well (many early communities evolved around mill sites).

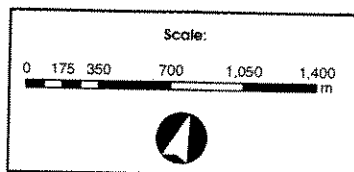
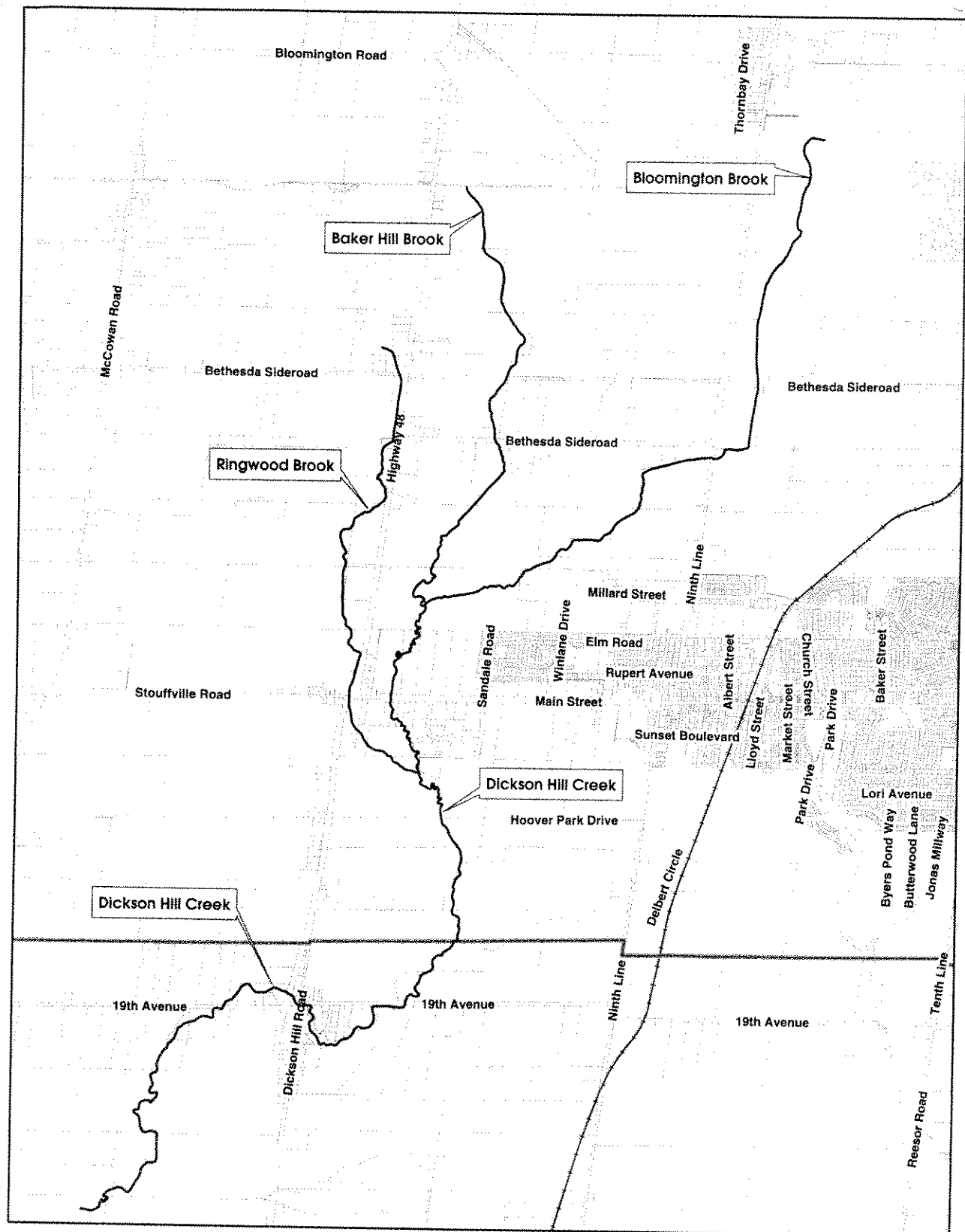
Since Tributary 2 extends into the Town of Markham, Council will be interested in providing input and/or endorsement for any proposed name in advance of a formal submission to the Geographic Names Board. We look forward to hearing from you as you advance your stream naming process.

Sincerely,



Lilli Duoba
Senior Project Coordinator
Environmental Planning and Rouge Park

- C. Val Shuttleworth, Director of Planning and Urban Design
Regan Hutcheson, Manager of Heritage Planning
George Duncan, Heritage Planner



The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville
 Development Services Department
 JANUARY 25, 2005

Rouge River

Prepared By: RJH
 Sources: York Region Geomatics Q3 2004 Data

