

**PROPOSED STREET NAME AND COMMUNITY NAME
RESIDUAL SUB-AREA 14V (WARD 14)
SHERIFF KING STREET S AND 210 AVENUE SE**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This community name and street name application, located to the east of Sheriff King Street S, north of 210 Avenue SE and south of 194 Avenue SE, was submitted in 2012 and remained on 'hold' status while the Outline Plan and land use application resolved outstanding issues. The outline plan/land use redesignation application was presented to Calgary Planning Commission on 2015 October 08. The area is identified as Cell B and a portion of Cell C in the West Macleod Area Structure Plan.

The name of Belmont is proposed for both the new Community name and for a street name.

Belmont Stakes is the name of an annual thoroughbred horse race held every June at Belmont Park in Elmont, New York. The name of Belmont is proposed due to the proximity to Spruce Meadows. The applicant had considered the name Barkley after the original farmer's name, however, that name was in conflict with existing streets in Calgary.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

None.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATIONS

2015 October 22

That Calgary Planning Commission recommends **REFUSAL** of the proposed community name and street name.

RECOMMENDATION(S) OF THE CALGARY PLANNING COMMISSION

That Council;

1. **ADOPT**, by Resolution, the proposed community name Belmont; and
2. **ADOPT**, by Resolution, the proposed street name Belmont.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The Municipal Names Committee does not recommend the use of "Belmont" as the proposed community and street name. Belmont, as proposed, does not conform with the Municipal Naming Policy criteria, that requires municipal names reflect Calgary's heritage, history, geography or significant contributors to Calgary.

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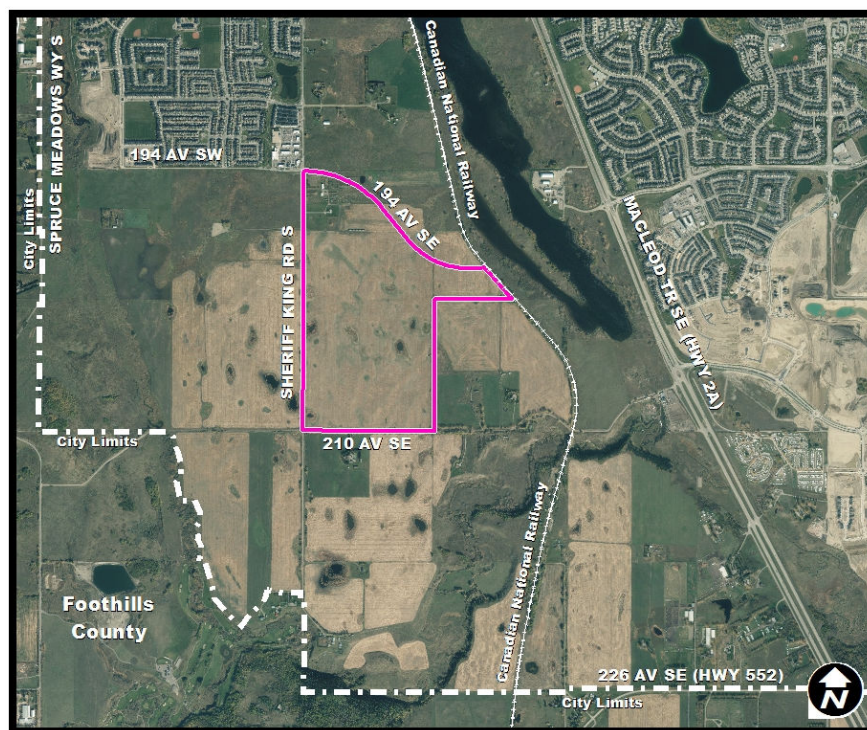
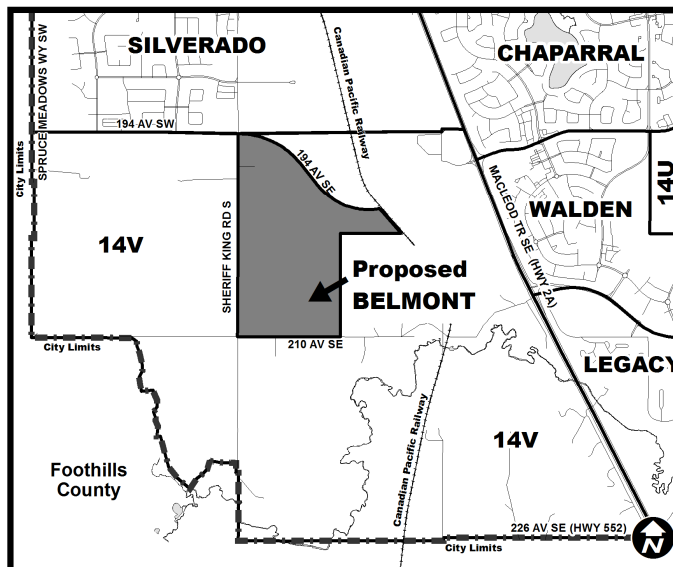
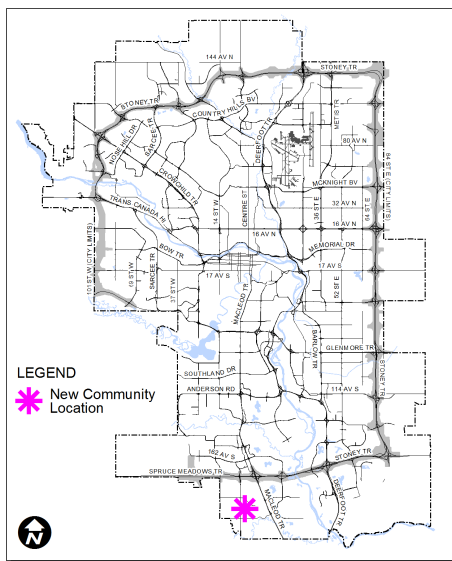
Even if the name met policy criteria, the applicant's proposal to link a community name to racing could not be substantiated. Spruce Meadows is not a horse track nor was there one in this area historically. There are numerous equestrian facilities around the proposed community, however none are race tracks.

If the desire in the future is to chose a community name that reflects the "equestrian activity" in the surrounding area, it is recommended the applicant thoroughly research the equestrian activity in the surrounding area and perhaps contact Spruce Meadows, other facilities in the area and/or the Alberta Equestrian Federation for advice.

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LOCATION MAPS



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ADMINISTRATIONS RECOMMENDATION TO CALGARY PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Recommend that Council **REFUSE** the proposed community name Belmont; and
2. Recommend that Council **REFUSE** the proposed street name Belmont.

2015 October 22

MOTION:

The Calgary Planning Commission **FILED** Administration's recommendation of **REFUSAL** and recommends that Council:

1. **ADOPT**, by Resolution, the proposed community name Belmont; and
2. **ADOPT**, by Resolution, the proposed street name Belmont.

Moved by: J. Gondek

Absent: C. Friesen

Carried: 6 – 1

Opposed: W. Smithers

Reasons for support of the Approval recommendation from Mr. Morrow:

- The current Municipal Naming Policy is flawed. Names should be reviewed for safety and length be the interpretation of the meaning is highly subjective. In this case, the Belmont name seems appropriate, given the association with equestrian activity in the area and potential interpretation as "beautiful mountain" (bel / mont) and too much Administration and CPC time is being spent on this naming policy, so I support a more simplified approach.

Reasons for support of the Approval recommendation from Ms. Wade:

- There are no public safety issues by EMS
- The name "Belmont" compliments the horse theme in this area of the city and its proximity to Spruce Meadows and Sliverado.
- I support the name Belmont.
- I understand the Municipal Naming Policy restricts interpretation of names is under review.
- The process needs to be streamlined.

Reasons for support of the Approval recommendation from Mr. Honsberger:

- Administration and Calgary Planning Commission spend far too much time debating community names.
- Administration should vet proposed names through Fire, Police, EMS for safety concerns and otherwise let the Applicant decide.

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MOTION: To recess to the Call of the Chair to review the wording on Ms. Gondek's proposed Motion Arising.

Moved by: G.-C. Carra
Absent: C. Friesen

Carried: 7 – 0

MOTION ARISING: Calgary Planning Commission (CPC) respectfully requests that the two Council members on CPC bring forward a Motion Arising at Council, that Council consider replacing both the Municipal Naming Policy and the Municipal Names Committee as they presently exist, and instead create a straightforward policy that indicates we require a market research report from the Applicant and the name must meet safety standards as well not be in conflict with established names. The decision-making would be part of the overall application process, with Administration and CPC providing their recommendations to Council.

Moved by: J. Gondek
Absent: C. Friesen and
R. Honsberger

Carried: 6 – 0

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Existing Community Name:

Residual Ward 14 Sub - Area 14V

Proposed Community Name:

Belmont

Proposed Street Name:

Belmont

Applicant:

Brown & Associates Planning Group

Developer:

United Communities

