

Applicant Submission



Bowness Historical Society

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June 7, 2022

The City of Calgary
Community Planning
Calgary, AB

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Attention Monique Pahud

The Bowness Historical Society hereby applies to The City of Calgary for secondary road naming of some of the streets in our community. The previous names, as set out in the attached list, were those used from the beginning of Bowness until its amalgamation with The City of Calgary. In this regard, we enclose the following:1.

1. About the Bowness Historical Society;
2. A list of roadways, in order of preference, for which we wish to apply for dual naming;
3. Letters from our former Councillor, Ward Sutherland, our current Councillor, Sonya Sharp, the Bowness Community Association and Mainstreet Bowness BIA in support of this application;
4. A copy of page 9 of the November/December issue of our community newsletter, the Bowest'ner, which is distributed to approximately 6000 households in Bowness. This page contains a notice of our intention to pursue secondary road naming. The notice elicited one email which enthusiastically supported the idea and three telephone calls, two of which were supportive and the third in which the caller wanted to have Bowness Road re-named.;
5. Two Maps of Bowness, one showing streets we wish to have secondary naming marked in pink, and the second indicating the suggested intersections for installation of the signs;

With respect to the design of the proposed street signs, we would like the white on blue as used in Inglewood and Beltline-Mission but prefer the design of the sign which reads "Centre Street Salutes the Volunteer Way", also in Beltline-Mission. We envision our logo (seen at the top of this letter) in the rounded piece at the top centre of the sign.

As our current budget will not cover all the signs, we would ask that the requested names be approved and we be allowed to order signs as funds become available. We are able to pay for the installation of some signs now and believe that donations and grants will allow us to proceed with further signs in the future.

Please advise as to how we might provide you with the necessary fee of \$1,488.50.

We look forward to hearing from you in due course and remain

Your truly

Anne Campbell
Director

About the Bowness Historical Society

The Bowness Historical Society was incorporated in 2001 by a group of predominantly Bowness residents with a plan to celebrate and keep alive the history of our community. This has been carried out in part by the following:

The publication of two history books, one in 2005 and the second in 2012, which chronicle our history from the 1880's to the present.

The compilation and sale of calendars featuring photographs from the past.

Interpretive signs installed at Baker Park to present the history and heritage of the Central Alberta Sanatorium.

Park-naming with signage to give our local parks the names of some noteworthy citizens from the past, e.g. John Hextall, George & Annie Wood, Tony Schmaltz and Bonnie Laing.

Marking historic buildings or their original sites with interpretive plaques.

Conducted walking tours of Bowness such as the historic home tour of Hextall houses, Main Street Bowness tour and the Bowness Park tour. These tours have been well attended and received very positive comments.

Have had a presence at many community events over the years engaging residents, a number of whom have been new to our community and are very interested in our history.

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PRIORITY	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	Install at	suggested corner
1	Bow Crescent	River Drive	Bowness Rd & Bow Cr	NE
2	Bowwood Drive	Victoria Avenue	Bowness Rd & Bowwood	NW
3	Bowness Road	Main Street	Bowness Rd & 60 St.	NW
4	83 Street	Golf Course Road	Bowness Rd & 83 St	SE
5	48 Avenue	Park Avenue	85 St & 48 Av	NW
6	33rd Avenue	Hillside Avenue	33 Av & 83 St	NE
7	34th Avenue	Chinook Avenue	34 Av & 83 St	NE
8	37 Avenue	Mackintosh Avenue	7St * 37 Ave	NE
9	36 Avenue	Alexander Avenue	36 Av & 77 St	NE
10	70 Street	Resthaven Road	Bowness Rd & 70 St;	NW
11	72nd Street	Ash Road	Bowness Rd & 72 St	NW
12	73rd Street	Beach Road	Bowness Rd & 73 St	NW
13	75th Street	Oak Road	Bowness Rd & 75 St.	NW
14	41 Avenue	Larch Avenue	77 St & 41 Ave	NE
15	Bowwater Crescent	8 Avenue	Bowness Rd & Bowwater	NE
16	77th Street	14 Street	Bowness Rd & 77 St	NE & SW
17	Bowview Road	Johnstone Road	31 Ave & Bowview Rd	SE
18	Beaupre Crescent	Roger Crescent	77 St & Beaupre Cr	NW



October 18, 2021

Attn: City of Calgary

Re: Bowness Historical Society Signage Application,

The Bowness Community Association is happy to provide this letter in support of the Bowness Historical Society in their application for the addition of secondary street naming signs in our community which would display the present name alongside the street name before Bowness was amalgamated into the City of Calgary.

We look forward to this project coming to fruition and continued work of the historical society in all they do for Bowness.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Michelle Dice'.

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Bowness Community Association

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Office of the Councillors

June 1, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Secondary naming for roads in Bowness

As councillor for Ward 1, I am pleased to support the Bowness Historical Society's proposal for secondary road names along certain streets in the community of Bowness. This initiative is a simple and meaningful way of connecting Calgarians with the history of the places they visit every day.

Bowness was a town in its own right prior to annexation by Calgary in 1964. Perhaps more than anywhere else in Calgary, it still has the feeling of a small town. This characteristic of Bowness well known to its long time residents, and a feature that continues to attract new people to the community.

The work done by the Bowness Historical Society and other community organizations to date is an important source of this unique feeling. Interpretive signs, preserved historical buildings and books and newsletters on the community's history all put Bowness among the best places in Calgary to see history on display. The addition of historical street signs would be an excellent additional step in this tradition.

The City of Calgary already recognizes historical street names alongside present-day names in several communities across Calgary including the Downtown Commercial Core, Mission, and Victoria Park. These signs contribute to the character of these neighbourhoods by highlighting their history while still maintaining existing street names and numbers as the primary tool for navigation.

It is my understanding that the Bowness Historical Society has the support of both the Bowness Community Association and the Mainstreet Bowness Business Improvement Area, and a plan for funding this work.

I look forward to visiting the historical streets of Bowness like River Drive, Main Street and Chinook Avenue in the near future.

Sincerely,

Sonya Sharp
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Office of the Councillors

September 13, 2021

Councillor Ward Sutherland
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Re: Letter of Support for Proposed Bowness Main Street Names

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to provide the Bowness Historical Society (BHS) with this letter of support. The Bowness Historical Society is a dedicated group of volunteers who promote and preserve the rich history of the community of Bowness.

Since I was elected in 2013, I have witnessed the members accomplish several historical projects. I have also reviewed the Bowness Historical Society's most recent project. I support their proposal for the eight proposed Bowness historic street signs.

Thank you for considering the Bowness Historical Society for the project. I fully endorse their application and I wish them much success in their future endeavours.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Ward Sutherland".

Ward Sutherland
Ward 1 Councillor



May 19, 2022

Attention: City of Calgary, Planning Department

Re: Bowness Historical Society – Secondary Road Signs

On behalf of the Mainstreet Bowness BIA (Business Improvement Area) I am writing in support of the Bowness Historical Society's endeavour to have the City of Calgary install Secondary Road Signs on our main street and side streets (in and around downtown Bowness). The Mainstreet Bowness BIA is very proud to work closely with the Bowness Historical Society in making Bowness a great place to work, live and play.

The mission of our BIA is to create a small town atmosphere, improve street design and provide a contemporary shopping district while honouring the rich history of our community - Bowness. This mission guides the business owners to work together with other key stakeholders in our community to promote and improve our local economy.

We feel this is a very worthwhile application and hope you will approve the necessary permits to the Bowness Historical Society for this project.

Sincerely,

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Mainstreet Bowness BIA
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COMMUNITY NEWS

THE RETURN OF ST. EDMUND'S SALE? NOVEMBER 13

St. Edmund's Anglican Church is planning the return of the Annual Christmas Sale, Bake Sale and Tea after having cancelled it in 2020 due to COVID-19.

At the time of writing (late September), it is still unclear if the event will proceed this year, but we remain hopeful! Having missed last year's event, we are bursting at the seams with Christmas Bazaar items, so please save the date: Saturday, November 13.

The exact time and format of the Sales and Tea event will be finalized nearer the date to allow for changes to provincial health restrictions and the Diocese's decision.

Please check our website or call us after November 1 for updates about this event. Thank you for your support.

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BOWNESS LIONS UPDATE

One of the pillars of 'Lionism' is to support youth with serious injuries or illnesses.

Recently, the Bowness Lions donated \$1,000 to Ronald McDonald House Charities, who provide a 'home away from home' to families traveling out of their community for medical treatment. Calgary's Ronald McDonald House is located within walking distance of the Alberta Children's Hospital.

The Bowness Lions are proud to help keep families together while they address a child's medical challenges.

TO CALL A STREET BY ANY OTHER NAME...

To all Bowness residents,

The Bowness Historical Society wishes to apply to The City of Calgary for Secondary Road Naming of some streets which had different names before the community of Bowness became part of Calgary in 1964. As in other districts, such as Inglewood, where these signs have been installed, the street sign would indicate the present name and the historic name of the street.

The application process encourages public engagement and we invite you to contact the Society with any questions or comments you may have about this project.

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Please note: Due to the ongoing pandemic, the Bowness Lions Craft Fair was postponed to May 7, 2022.

