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Legacy of Service: Review of City of Calgary Assets Named in Honour of Public Servants

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* Not associated with The City of Calgary

Introduction

This report provides a comprehensive list of all formally named assets in Calgary after civilian public servants, including elected officials or staff from various levels of government, primarily The City of Calgary. The provided information is grouped into various categories, as follows:

Assets Named in Recognition of The City of Calgary Council Elected Officials

Assets Named in Recognition of The City Of Calgary Administration

Assets Named in Recognition of Other Public Servants*

Please note the following exclusions from this summary:

- Naming of assets not owned by The City of Calgary, such as those owned by the Government of Canada, Government of Alberta, or private entities (e.g., privately owned Harry Hays Building, named after a Calgary Mayor).
- Naming of City assets without formal approvals (e.g., Marsh Road NE, informally named after a Calgary Mayor, Murdoch Park, informally named after the first Calgary Mayor, Andrew Davison Building, informally named after a Calgary Mayor).
- Naming of Calgary Public Library facilities, which are owned and managed by the Calgary Public Library Board (e.g., Louise Riley Library, named after a beloved children's librarian and author).
- Naming of Calgary schools, which are owned and managed by various school boards (e.g., Annie Gale School, named after a Calgary Alderman).
- Naming of public medical facilities in Calgary, typically owned and operated by the provincial health authority, Alberta Health Services (e.g., Sheldon M. Chumir Centre, named after a Calgary-Buffalo MLA).
- Military personnel or veterans (e.g., McCall Way NE, named after a Captain, a First World War flying ace).
- Monarchs and royal family members (e.g., Victoria Park, named after Queen Victoria).

Please note that due to inconsistent record-keeping practices in the past, some records might be missing, and therefore, this list may not be exhaustive. The compilation of records was completed by Business & Engineering Services** in collaboration with Facilities. If you wish to access Council approval documents for a specific asset naming, or require further information or clarification, please reach out to the Municipal Naming Policy Steward's team via municipal.naming@calgary.ca.

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Assets Named in Recognition of The City of Calgary Council Elected Officials

Overview

#	Name	City Asset Name, Approval Date	Council Role	Recognition, Highlights
1	Anderson, Virnetta	Virnetta Anderson Hall (Municipal Building), 2020	Alderman	First Black Alderman on The City of Calgary Council Detailed Profile - Page 6
2	Cushing, William	Cushing Bridge, 1955	Councillor Alderman Mayor Alderman	Detailed Profile - Page 7
3	Dover, Mary	Dover Community and Roadways, 1969 Mary Dover Memorial Park, 1995	Alderman	Mary volunteered for the Canadian Women's Army Corps in 1941, serving in England during the Blitz and later commanding its training base in Ontario. As a pioneering female officer, she led programs to empower women in the military, highlighting their essential role. Detailed Profile - Page 8
4	Erskine, Barry	Barry Erskine Classroom (Ralph Klein Park Environmental Education Centre), 2019 Barry Erskine Bridge, 2020	Alderman	Detailed Profile - Page 9
5	Gale, Hannah "Annie"	Annie Gale Boardroom (Administration Building), 2016 Annie Gale Park, 2023	Alderman	First woman to hold elected office in Canada First woman to hold municipal office in British Empire Detailed Profile - Page 10
6	Graves, Arthur	Graves Bridge, 1969	Alderman	Detailed Profile - Page 11
7	Hartman, Donald "Don"	Don Hartman North East Sportsplex, 1995	Alderman Mayor	Detailed Profile - Page 12
8	Higgins, Suzanne "Sue"	Sue Higgins Bridge, 2001 Sue Higgins Park, 2012	Alderman	First woman to run for mayor in Calgary, defeated by Ralph Klein Detailed Profile - Page 13

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9	Hodges, Dale	Dale Hodges Park, 2017	Councillor	Calgary's longest-serving member of Council Detailed Profile - Page 14
10	Huish, Harold "Harry"	Harry Huish Park, 2001	Alderman	 Detailed Profile - Page 15
11	King, George C.	George C. King Bridge, 1980	Mayor Councillor	First Postmaster of Calgary First person legally married in Calgary Detailed Profile - Page 16
12	Klein, Ralph	Ralph Klein Park, 2007	Mayor	Premier of Alberta, 1992-2006 Detailed Profile - Page 17
13	Leslie, John "Jack"	Jack Leslie Plaza, 2004 Jack and Jean Leslie Riverwalk, 2013	Alderman Mayor	First native-born Calgary Mayor Detailed Profile - Page 18
14	Long, John "Jack"	Jack Long Park, 2010	Alderman	 Detailed Profile - Page 19
15	Longstaff, Beverly "Bev"	Bev Longstaff West Hillhurst Bridge, 2023	Councillor	 Detailed Profile - Page 20
16	MacEwan, Grant	Grant MacEwan Legislative Lounge (City Hall), 1982 MacEwan Community, 1980 MacEwan Community and Roadways, 1980	Alderman Mayor	Author of 32 books, master livestock judge, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, historian of Western Canada, Mayor of Calgary, agricultural scientist and husbandry professor, broadcaster, conservationist, leader of the Alberta Liberal Party and a co-founder of The Calgary Foundation Detailed Profile - Page 21
17	Reid, Craig	Craig Reid Park, 2021	Alderman	 Detailed Profile - Page 22
18	Scott, Barbara "Barb"	Barb Scott Park, 2013	Alderman	 Detailed Profile - Page 23
19	Starr, Ernest "Ernie"	Ernie Starr Arena, 1969	Alderman	 Detailed Profile - Page 24

20	Wilkinson, Rosamond "Rose"	Wilkinson Park, 1950	Alderman	Detailed Profile - Page 25
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Detailed Profiles



Photo from YW Calgary

VIRNETTA ANDERSON
(1920-2006)

Alderman
1974-1977

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Virnetta Anderson

Virnetta Anderson Hall, 2020

Named Asset Location: Municipal Building

Naming Authority: Administration

Naming Approval Date: 2020

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "The City's first Black Alderman, representing Ward 3 from 1974-1977. A passionate leader in our community for many years, she served as a community leader in Calgary, including roles such as President of Meals on Wheels, United Way Board Member, and Calgary Centre for the Performing Arts Board Member, among others. Born and raised in the US, she arrived in Calgary in 1952 to join her husband Ezzrett (Sugarfoot) Anderson, who became a Calgary Stampeder football player in 1949. She passed away in 2006 at the age of 85."



Glenbow Archives NA-1201-1

WILLIAM CUSHING

(1852-1934)

Councillor

1890-1893

Alderman

1895-1897, 1899-1900

Mayor

1900-1901

Alderman

1902-1905

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of William Cushing

Cushing Bridge, 1955

Named Asset Location: The 17 Ave SE bridge over the Bow River

Naming Authority: Council, 1955 November 14 Council Motion

Naming Approval Date: 1955 November 14

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Moved by Ald. McIntosh, in amendment. Seconded by Ald. Starr and carried that the new bridge in East Calgary be named "Cushing Bridge."



City of Calgary, Corporate Records, Archives CalAPP-01228

MARY DOVER
(1905-1994)

Alderman
1950-1953, 1956-1960

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Mary Dover

Dover Community and Roadways, 1969

Named Asset Location: SE

Naming Authority: Council, 1968 December 31 Commissioners' Report

Naming Approval Date: 1969 January 6

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "On November 20th, 1968, the Calgary Planning Commission recommended the following name to City Council for approval at its meeting of January 6th, 1969: "Dover" to apply to the area bounded by 26th Avenue S.E. on the north, the C.P.R. on the east, 34th Avenue S.E. on the south, and Barlow Trail on the west, and Doverville, Doverwood, Doverdale, Dovercliffe, Dover, Dovercourt to be applied to street names within this area.."

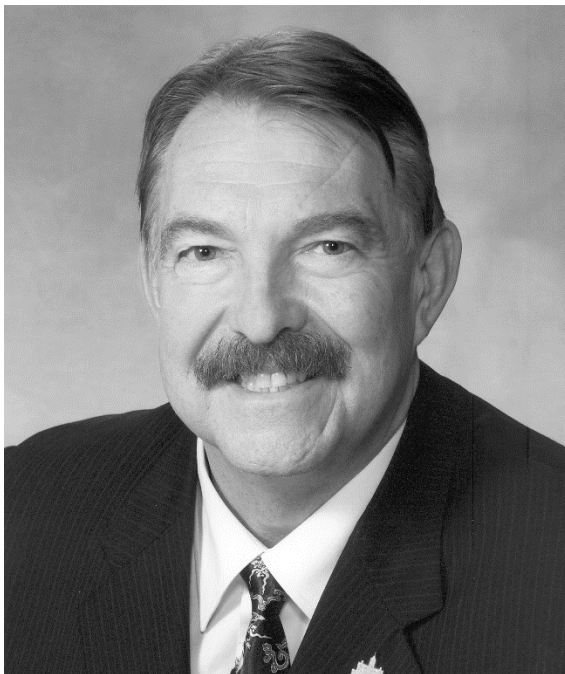
Mary Dover Memorial Park, 1995

Named Asset Location: Dover and Southview SE

Naming Authority: Council, N95-26

Naming Approval Date: 1995 July 24

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "At their meeting of 1994 June 08, the Board of Commissioners agreed to follow up on a request from the Nominating, Agenda and Personnel Committee to consider naming a City site after the late Mary Dover. It was suggested by the Board that the proposed Valleyview Regional Park adjacent to the community of Dover be given consideration in this regard.."



City of Calgary, Corporate Records, Archives CalA 2007-036-6

BARRY ERSKINE
(1946-2019)

Alderman
1992-2007

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Barry Erskine

Barry Erskine Classroom, 2019

Named Asset Location: Ralph Klein Park Environmental Education Centre

Naming Authority: Administration

Naming Approval Date: 2019

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "In recognition of a lifetime commitment to the environment and dedication to the citizens of Calgary. Barry represented Ward 11 as Alderman from 1992-2007. He was well known as an environmentalist, horticulturalist and as the host of a popular weekly gardening radio program. Barry was a passionate environmental advocate for the protection and improvement to waterways, clean air, parks, pathways, and the tree canopy. We thank him for his contributions to the city of Calgary."

Barry Erskine Bridge, 2020

Named Asset Location: The Weaselhead Flats pedestrian bridge over the Elbow River

Naming Authority: Council, PFC2020-0720

Naming Approval Date: 2020 July 20

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "The late Barry Erskine was a former City of Calgary Alderman who served five terms on Council in Ward 11 from 1992 to 2007. Alderman Erskine was a lifelong environmental advocate and supporter of the communities he served. When the original timber bridge was destroyed in the flood of 1995, Alderman Erskine was instrumental in supporting the new flood resilient bridge and shepherding the project through the city planning process."



Photo from Alberta Champions

HANNAH "ANNIE" GALE
(1876-1970)

Alderman
1919-1924

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Hannah "Annie" Gale

Annie Gale Boardroom, 2016

Named Asset Location: Administration Building
Naming Authority: Administration
Naming Approval Date: 2016 September
Excerpt from Approval Documents: Information not available

Annie Gale Park, 2023

Named Asset Location: Bridgeland/Riverside NW
Naming Authority: Council, EC2023-0245
Naming Approval Date: 2023 June 6
Excerpt from Approval Documents: "An early member of the Vacant Lots Garden Club, Annie Gale was concerned about matters of public health, especially food quality and security. She was instrumental in establishing the municipal market which sold local produce. She formed the Women's Ratepayers Association of Calgary, advocating for hospitals, children's playgrounds, and an improved streetcar system. Shortly after Alberta women won the right to vote, Annie Gale was elected in 1917 as the first female alderman in Calgary and in Canada."



Glenbow Archives NA-2902-8

ARTHUR GRAVES (1877-1973)

Alderman
1906-1909

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Arthur Graves

Graves Bridge, 1969

Named Asset Location: The Glenmore Trail SE bridge over the Bow River

Naming Authority: Council, 1969 September 22 Council Motion

Naming Approval Date: 1969 September 22

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "For Council's consideration I would suggest the bridge to Ogden on the Glenmore Trail, which is currently referred to as the Ogden Bridge, be named "Graves Bridge" in honor of ex Alderman and Commissioner Graves. Mr. Graves was an Alderman from 1906 to 1908 then Commissioner from 1910 to 1932 (except for one year). Sincerely, Jack Leslie, Mayor."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-98-009-1

DONALD "DON"
HARTMAN
(1929-1996)

Alderman
1969-1989

Mayor
1989

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Donald "Don" Hartman

Don Hartman North East Sportsplex, 1995

Named Asset Location: Coral Springs NE

Naming Authority: Council, C95-90

Naming Approval Date: 1995 October 2

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Don is recognized as one of the longest-serving and most colourful of Calgary's Aldermen, having served on Council for 20 years. He capped his career in Civic Government by being appointed Mayor of Calgary on 1989 March 21, by unanimous resolution of Council to fill the remainder of former Mayor Ralph Klein's term.

Throughout his political life, Don has been renowned as a defender of the City taxpayer and worker alike. His trademark was fiscal prudence, and his strength was his ability to relate the concerns of the common man to Council. He never missed a retirement event for a City staff, and tirelessly promoted the city he loved. With his bluff, blustery and populist style, Don was larger-than-life figure who enlivened Calgary local politics for two decades."



Photo from the William & Harris Shared History Centre, Calgary
Public Library

SUZANNE "SUE" HIGGINS
(1935-2014)

Alderman
1977-1983, 1986-2001

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Suzanne "Sue" Higgins

Sue Higgins Bridge, 2001

Named Asset Location: The Douglasdale pedestrian bridge over the Bow River

Naming Authority: Council, N2001-46

Naming Approval Date: 2001 September 10

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "The Douglasdale Estates Community Association has written to the City stating that Alderman Sue Higgins performed an invaluable service in obtaining the funding and permits for the construction of a pedestrian bridge on the Bow River in the Douglasdale area. They are requesting that the structure be formally named after her in recognition of this service and her dedication to her constituents upon her retirement in October 2001."

Sue Higgins Park, 2012

Named Asset Location: Acadia and Maple Ridge SE

Naming Authority: Council, PFC2012-0769

Naming Approval Date: 2012 November 19

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Alderman Sue Higgins served on Council for 21 years, participating in a total of 52 committees throughout her aldermanic career, along with contributing to a variety of community organizations such as the Cerebral Palsy Association and Southern Alberta Pioneers. Further, in 2002 Sue Higgins was a recipient of the Golden Jubilee Medal, a commemorative medal for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Golden Jubilee, awarded to "Canadians who, over the past 50 years, have helped the Canada of today."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP- 2013-028-1

DALE HODGES
(1941-2023)

Councillor
1983-2013

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Dale Hodges

Dale Hodges Park, 2017

Named Asset Location: Silver Springs, Varsity and Montgomery NW

Naming Authority: Council, PFC2017-0339

Naming Approval Date: 2017 April 24

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Alderman Dale Hodges is Calgary's longest-serving member of Council, as he served Ward 1 for 10 terms, from 1983 - 2013. His career included milestones such as The City hosting the 1988 Olympic Winter Games, building the northwest LRT, and the expansion of numerous parks and recreation facilities. During his years in office, he guided developers and City Administration to support his vision of vibrant new Ward 1 communities through his experience and knowledge of community planning issues.

Alderman Hodges is a lover of parks and green spaces. Alderman Hodges also played a significant role in the establishment of the ENMAX Legacy Parks Program to ensure a consistent source of capital funding for City parks."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-01257

HAROLD "HARRY" HUISH
(1925-2000)

Alderman
1974-1980

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Harold "Harry" Huish

Harry Huish Park, 2001

Named Asset Location: Ogden SE

Naming Authority: Council, N2001-45

Naming Approval Date: 2001 September 10

Excerpt from Approval Documents: " A volunteer, President of the Millican Rate Payers Association, Editor in Chief of the Millican News. Harry led our community to City Hall to protest the expansion of the Imperial Oil Refinery and his effort resulted in the Millican-Ogden outdoor pool and the treed green belt along 72 Avenue on the South end. Harry was very active in the Millican-Ogden Community Association's civic affairs for 22 years and also served as President of the Association from 1971 to 1974.

Mr. Huish served as Alderman for 2 years in the area Ward. A Stampede volunteer, Heritage Park volunteer, member of the District 93 Hospital Board, awarded the Grant MacEwan Lifetime Achievement Award in 1998, and a member and founder of the Urban Aboriginal Committee. He also gave a lot of his time to the Steele Scouts, established to preserve the memory of the original troop."



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GEORGE C. KING (1848-1935)

Mayor
1886-1888

Councillor
1889-1890, 1891-1893

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of George C. King

George C. King Bridge, 1980

Named Asset Location: The pedestrian bridge to St. Patrick's Island over the Bow River

Naming Authority: Council, N80-16

Naming Approval Date: 1980 May 20

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Constable George Clift King may not have paused to consider the historic impact of the action of himself and his fellow men of "F" Troop as they crossed the Bow River in late August 1875. It was probably with a sigh of relief that he rode out of the river and up the south bank onto the new fort site.

G. C. King acquired quite a lot of "firsts" in Calgary history. When he married in 1879, he and his wife, Louise Munroe, were the first (legally) married couple in Calgary. He set up a general merchandise and dry goods store in 1883 and accepted the position of Calgary's first postmaster in 1885. In 1885-1887, he served as Calgary's second Mayor. On New Year's day, 1934, he was made a member of the Order of the British Empire by George V for his many years of service to Calgary and the district."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-03005

RALPH KLEIN
(1942-2013)

Mayor
1980-1989

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Ralph Klein

Ralph Klein Park, 2007

Named Asset Location: Shepard Wetland Legacy Park SE
Naming Authority: Council, 2007 May 28 Council Motion
Naming Approval Date: 2007 May 28
Excerpt from Approval Documents: Information not available



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-01205

JOHN "JACK" LESLIE
(1920-2010)

Alderman
1961-1965

Mayor
1965-1969

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of John "Jack" Leslie

Jack Leslie Plaza, 2004

Named Asset Location: Prince's Island

Naming Authority: Council, N2004-12

Naming Approval Date: 2004 May 17

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "The Board of Parks Foundation would like to request a small plaza in Prince's Island be named the Jack Leslie Plaza with the appropriate interpretive signage. This former mayor was instrumental in protecting and promoting our river pathway park system in the 1960's when the concept was new."

Jack and Jean Leslie Riverwalk, 2013

Named Asset Location: Downtown East Village

Naming Authority: Council, PFC2013-0486

Naming Approval Date: 2013 July 29

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Jack Leslie holds the distinction of being the first Calgarian elected as Mayor. Jack was instrumental in establishing the School Board Liaison Committee. Jack also led a successful fight to keep the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks off the south banks of the Bow River, developed Nose Hill Park and Confederation Park, helped achieve 'international airport' status for Calgary's major airport, and established the Calgary Airport Authority."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-003102

JOHN "JACK" LONG
(1926-2001)

Alderman
1980-1983

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of John "Jack" Long

Jack Long Park, 2010

Named Asset Location: Inglewood SE

Naming Authority: Council, PAC2010-17

Naming Approval Date: 2010 July 19

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Jack Long served on City Council between 1980 and 1983. Jack and his family lived in Inglewood and headquartered his many business interests from within the community. Mr. Long worked tirelessly combining his professional talents and experience while advocating for the betterment of Calgary communities. He was an urban planner and architect. Mr. Long fought to preserve heritage buildings and sites. He was an environmentalist who fought to keep accessible park land along the Bow River. He designed modernist architecture such as that of the Science Centre and conversely fought to restore and preserve heritage sites like the 1884 Major Steward Residence in Inglewood.

Jack Long continues to be remembered and respected for his inspiring vision of resident directed community planning. His advocacy and hard work culminated into a design brief to save the demise of neighbourhoods Inglewood and Ramsay and the standard elements of community consultation was a precursor to the now Area Redevelopment Plan's process. Mr. Long worked alongside others on community projects all across the City and was always eager to lend his experience and voice to helping others and respecting cultures and environment."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-03103

BEVERLY "BEV"
LONGSTAFF
(1946-present)

Councillor
1989-2001

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Beverly "Bev" Longstaff

Bev Longstaff West Hillhurst Bridge, 2023

Named Asset Location: The West Hillhurst pedestrian bridge over Memorial Drive

Naming Authority: Council, EC2023-0954

Naming Approval Date: 2023 September 12

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "West Hillhurst Community Association submitted a naming application for the 21st Street NW pedestrian bridge in West Hillhurst to be named after a former Councillor Bev Longstaff. West Hillhurst community would like to appreciate and remember Bev Longstaff's lifetime dedication to public service by naming the pedestrian bridge after her. As the Ward 7 Councillor in 2001, Bev Longstaff contributed greatly to the planning and construction of the pedestrian bridge near 21st Street NW which enables pedestrians and cyclists to safely cross Memorial Drive and access the Bow River pathways."

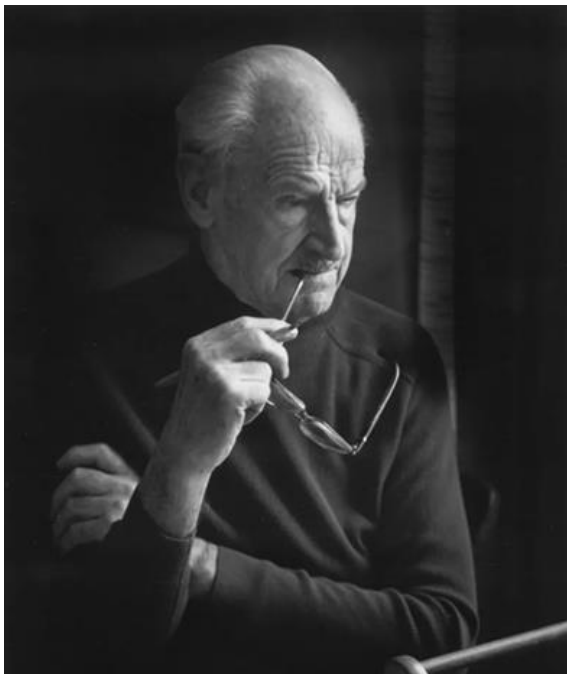


Photo from Alberta Champions

GRANT MACEWAN (1902-2000)

Alderman
1953-1958, 1959-1963

Mayor
1963-1965

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Grant MacEwan

MacEwan Community* and Roadways, 1980

Named Asset Location: NW

Naming Authority: Council, 1980 February 27 Calgary Planning Commission Report

Naming Approval Date: 1980 May 12

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Moved by Alderman Simpson. Seconded by Alderman Ryan That the Recommendation of the Calgary Planning Commission, dated 1980 February 27, Re: Proposed Subdivision Name (MACEWAN) and Street Names MACEWAN GLEN, MACEWAN PARK, MACEWAN MEADOW, MACEWAN DALE, MACEWAN RIDGE, MACEWAN VALLEY, and MACEWAN COVE, be adopted."

* Currently referred to as MacEwan Glen community

Grant MacEwan Legislative Lounge, 1982

Named Asset Location: City Hall

Naming Authority: Council, N82-60

Naming Approval Date: 1982 November 15

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "If it is deemed by the Agenda Committee that it would be appropriate to name something after Grant MacEwan, then the most appropriate place the Committee could suggest would be the future Legislative Lounge in the Old City Hall, which will be situated in the same location as the Mayor's office when Grant MacEwan was the Mayor."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-03141

CRAIG REID
(1921-2009)

Alderman
1977-1992

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Craig Reid

Craig Reid Park, 2021

Named Asset Location: Altadore SW

Naming Authority: Council, PFC2021-0631

Naming Approval Date: 2021 May 31

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Craig served as an elected official for his community (Ward 11) for 5 terms. Citizen voice and City Hall accountability were paramount for Craig and served as a guidepost in representing his constituents. His close communication with all of his community associations allowed for accurate dissemination of information and comprehensive collection of citizen opinion to guide evidence based decisions on City Council. Ward 11 would not be the cohesive and family friendly community it is today without Craig's foresight in ensuring the development of thoroughfares did not infiltrate inner city communities.

Further, his work on the Public Service Committee maintaining linkages with the City Planning Department proved that collaboration is possible and can save many hours of costly (time and money) appeals. Another major achievement led by Craig was the reactivation of the Audit Committee in City Hall. This process improved the efficiency of city departments and task forces and was noted that in one year it saved taxpayers \$22 million. Craig believed citizen representation was strengthened by effective communication between the various orders of government. Thus, he worked hard to represent the voice of the City of Calgary at AUMA and FCM. Craig's ethic of public service and collaboration was a significant influence on City Council."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-03150

BARBARA "BARB" SCOTT
(1931-2014)

Alderman
1931-2014

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Barbara "Barb" Scott

Barb Scott Park, 2013

Named Asset Location: Beltline SW

Naming Authority: Council, PFC2013-0487

Naming Approval Date: 2013 July 29

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Barbara Ann Scott, socially known as 'Barb' was a City Alderman from 1971 through 1995 following seven successful municipal elections. Ms. Scott served as chair on the Community Services Committee and the Calgary District Hospital Group. She was president of the Metropolitan Calgary Foundation, a member of the Calgary Police Commission and the Calgary Public Library board. She was instrumental on The City's Calgary Planning Commission, Development Appeal Board, Heritage Park Board, and other civic initiatives including the planning and redevelopment efforts associated with the Centre City Plan.

She has supported the Boys and Girls Club Avenue 15 program that helps homeless teens get off the street, the YWCA's Safe Haven program that supports girls at risk of sexual exploitation, the faith based Inn from the Cold initiative serving the homeless and was organizer of the Calgary Herald's Christmas Fund. Her involvement and leadership were instrumental in the Provincial review of the Family and Community Support Services program that resulted in better accountability and follow-through from service organizations."



City of Calgary Archives CalA PP-01230

ERNEST "ERNIE" STARR (1890-1981)

Alderman

1941-1947, 1950, 1952-1957, 1958-
1966

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Ernest "Ernie" Starr

Ernie Starr Arena, 1969

Named Asset Location: Forest Lawn SE

Naming Authority: Council, 1969 September 22 Council Motion

Naming Approval Date: 1969 September 22

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "Moved by Ald. Ayer, in amendment. Seconded by Ald. Davis and carried That communication from His Worship Mayor Leslie, dated September 17, 1969, re. naming of the new Forest Lawn Arena, be filed and the arena named "Ernie Starr Arena."



Glenbow Image No. NA-2864-921A

ROSAMOND "ROSE"
WILKINSON
(1885-1968)

Alderman
1936-1943, 1944-1951, 1952- 1955

Asset(s) Named in Recognition of Rosamond "Rose" Wilkinson

Wilkinson Park, 1950

Location: Capitol Hill, NW

Naming Authority: Council, 1950 April 26 Special Parks & Playgrounds Committee Report

Naming Approval Date: 1950 May 1

Excerpt from Approval Documents: "The Capitol Hill Community Association suggest that the new recreational playground located between 17th and 19th Avenues and between 19th and 20th Streets NW be named "Wilkinson Park" in honor of Ald. Mrs. Rose Wilkinson. Your committee would report having agreed to the suggestion and would recommend for Council's approval that this recreation area be so named. (Ald. Alderman opposed)."

Assets Named in Recognition of The City of Calgary Administration

#	Name	City Asset Name, Approval Date	Administration Role	Recognized for
1	Abougoush, Adel	Abougoush Room (Municipal Building), approval date unknown	City Solicitor	Adel Albert Abougoush, Q.C., served in The City of Calgary Law Department for 30 years, starting as an articling student in 1971 until his passing in 2002 while serving as City Solicitor and General Counsel. He was trusted and respected for his legal talent, dedication, and service to the legal community. Adel's legacy is marked by his wisdom, leadership, and ability to inspire others, as well as his love for life, family, and friends.
2	Allan, David	David Allan Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	The Calgary Fire Department's 7th active line of duty death, 1976. David Allan served the CFD proudly for 21 years.

3	Allan, Leslie	Dr. Leslie Allan Park, 2021	Chief Medical Officer of Health	Dr. Allan was Calgary's face of public health for a quarter century as an advocate for health protection, disease prevention and health promotion for all Calgarians.
4	Bartlett, Walter	Walter Bartlett Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	City Firefighter that died during World War I.
5	Boothman, Harry	Harry Boothman Bridge, 1977	Director of Calgary Parks and Recreation Department	Mr. Boothman lived in Edworthy Park and the bridge itself forms an integral part of the Bow River Pathway System which was conceived and developed under Mr. Boothman's direction.
6	Bowden, Arthur	Arthur Bowden Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	City Firefighter that died during World War I.
7	Bowen, Oliver	Oliver Bowen C-Train Garage, 2001	Director of City Transportation	Recognized for his great vision in LRT planning, construction, and operations.
8	Boys, Thomas T.A.	Thomas T.A. Boys Boardroom (Administration Building), approval date unknown	Town Clerk	At the first meeting of Calgary Town Council on December 4, 1884, Thomas T.A. Boys became the first civil official when he was appointed by Council to the Office of the Clerk.
9	Burton, Eric	Eric Burton Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	City Firefighter that died during World War I.
#	Name	City Asset Name, Approval Date	Administration Role	Recognized for
10	Cocks, Norman	Norman Cocks Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	The Calgary Fire Department's third active line of duty death, 1962.
11	Cole, Glenda	Cole Boardroom (Municipal Building), 2021	City Solicitor	Glenda E. Cole, Q.C., joined The City of Calgary's Law Department in 1987 and retired as City Solicitor and General Counsel in 2020. She led with dedication and upheld strong values, receiving honors including the Queen Elizabeth II Golden and Diamond Jubilee Medals for her community work. Glenda's empathy, guidance, and hard work benefited clients, external

				counsel, council members, and colleagues. Her legacy provides a foundation for the Law Department's future endeavors.
12	Dietrich, Kathy	Kathy Dietrich Collaboration Space (Municipal Building), 2018	Director of Calgary Growth Strategies	Named "In memory of Kathy, a well-respected leader and mentor who believed that many voices contributed to better outcomes. Her commitment to collaboration revolutionized The City of Calgary's relationship with city builders and our approach to growing and building a great city for all."
13	Dutnall, Lloyd	Lloyd Dutnall Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Calgary Fire Department Lieutenant	The Calgary Fire Department's 4th active line of duty death, 1970. Lieutenant Dutnall served the CFD proudly for 18 years.
14	Gallacher, John	John Gallacher Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	City Firefighter that died during World War I.
15	Grant, Ted	Ted Grant Boardroom (Municipal Building), approval date unknown	Various roles in urban development, transportation, and waterworks departments at The City	City civil engineer for 30 years. Ted was honoured in 2004 with the Spirit of UDI Award from the Urban Development Institute for his contributions to the industry in his various capacities.
16	James, Morley	Morley James Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	The Calgary Fire Department's 9th active line of duty death, 1992.
17	Look, George	George Look Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	The Calgary Fire Department's 8th active line of duty death, 1981.
18	McShane, Hugh	Hugh McShane Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	The Calgary Fire Department's first active line of duty death, 1923.
19	N/A	Fire Chiefs Park, 1987	Fire Chiefs	Park named in recognition of City of Calgary Fire Chiefs
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20	N/A	All Fallen Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighters	Boardroom named in honour of all Calgary firefighters that have died in the line of duty or as a result of presumptive diseases caused as a result of firefighting.
21	Reader, William	The Reader Rock Garden, 1943	Parks Superintendent	William Reader served as Calgary Parks Superintendent from 1913 to 1942, pioneering the city's park network, pathways, treed boulevards, and cultural landscapes. He introduced river skating, created the first City-owned golf course, Shaganappi, and co-founded the Calgary Horticultural and Zoological Societies. Reader also advanced playgrounds, tennis courts, athletic parks, and cemetery expansion in Calgary.
22	Sampson, Tom	Chief Tom Sampson Media Room (Emergency Operation Centre), 2020	Calgary Emergency Management Agency Chief	Named "In dedication to Chief Tom Sampson, whose recognition of the media as a critical partner in public safety advanced the wellbeing of all Calgarians. Honouring a legacy of outstanding leadership, that demonstrated the value of relationships, humility, humanity, and the power of dedicated service."
23	Simmons, Arthur	Arthur Simmons Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Calgary Fire Department Captain	The Calgary Fire Department's second active line of duty death, 1948. Captain Simmons served the CFD proudly for 37 years.
24	Smith, Harold	Harold Smith Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Calgary Fire Department Lieutenant	The Calgary Fire Department's 5th active line of duty death, 1971. Lieutenant Smith served the CFD proudly for 26 years.
25	Strong, J. Ivor	J. Ivor Strong Bridge, 1982	Chief Commissioner	Recognized for his outstanding service to the City of Calgary from 1944 to 1971, J. Ivor Strong also held roles as Assistant City Engineer, City Engineer, and Commissioner of Public Works and Utilities during his career with The City of Calgary.
26	Tobert, Owen	Owen Tobert Boardroom (Andrew Davison Building), approval date unknown	City Manager	Owen Tobert, PEng., MBA, served as the City Manager for The City of Calgary for ten years. His contributions include implementing a corporate project management framework, enhancing financial planning, prioritizing citizen-centric culture, and leading the city's effective response to the June 2013 flood.
27	Tolley, Paul	Tolley Boardroom (Municipal Building), 2013	City Solicitor	Paul Tolley, Q.C., joined The City of Calgary's Law Department in 1978 and retired as City Solicitor and a Queen's Counsel in 2013. He led the department with dedication and upheld strong personal and professional values, delivering high-quality service to clients and demonstrating leadership. His contributions were recognized with a Queen's Counsel appointment and high regard from colleagues in Alberta, Canada, and the United States.
28	Walter, Jerald	Jerald Walter Boardroom (Calgary Fire Department Headquarters), 2017	Firefighter	The Calgary Fire Department's 6th active line of duty death, 1972.

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29	Wright, Daveen	Daveen Wright Boardroom (Animal Services Centre), 2014	Senior Dispatcher for Animal Services	Daveen "Dee" Wright began her career at the City of Calgary in 1987, caring for stray dogs as a kennel attendant before becoming a Senior Dispatcher. She retired in May 2011 but sadly passed away in January 2012. Dee's 25-year dedication to Animal Services and her passion for animals were recognized through the naming of a boardroom in her honor, along with a dedicated bench where potential adopters can sit and meet their potential new family members.

Assets Named in Recognition of Other Public Servants*

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1	Aberhart, William	Wm. Aberhart Park, 1999	Premier of Alberta	William Aberhart, renowned for his leadership as the founder of Alberta's Social Credit Party and Premier, left a lasting impact on the province's political landscape. Despite facing challenges in implementing his economic theories, his legacy endures as a trailblazer in Alberta's history.
2	Kroeger, Henry	Henry Kroeger Bridge, 1988	Alberta's Minister of Transportation	His support of transportation program in Calgary during his tenure as Minister responsible for Transportation in the Province of Alberta.
3	Kryczka, Joseph	Justice Joseph Kryczka Arena, 1990	Justice on the Court of Queen's Bench, Alberta	Joe Kryczka, sidelined from hockey by injury, became a key figure in its administration. From coaching to leading hockey associations, including the CAHA and COA, he organized the historic Canada-Soviet Summit Series and secured Calgary's bid for the 1988 Winter Olympics. Until his passing, Kryczka remained dedicated to Canadian Olympic development.
4	Laing, Bonnie	Bonnie Laing Park, 2023	Calgary-Bow MLA	Bonnie Laing was recognized for her significant contributions to education, public health, and community development. As an esteemed educator for 26 years, MLA for Calgary-Bow, and influential figure in healthcare reform, she left a lasting impact on Bowness and Alberta.
5	Mackintosh, John	Mackintosh Park, 2011	The first Mayor of the Town of Bowness	Macintosh Park was recognized in honor of John Mackintosh, Bowness's first mayor, who played a pivotal role in the town's early development. From relocating his family to Bowness in 1940 to establishing businesses and serving as mayor from 1952 to 1958, Mackintosh's contributions were instrumental in shaping the community. His legacy of kindness, understanding, and dedication to his neighbors resonates strongly, prompting residents to advocate for naming a park in his honor during Bowness's centennial celebrations in 2011.

6	Schmaltz, Tony	Tony and Ruby Schmaltz Park, 2018	Postmaster (Critchley Post Office)	Tony Schmaltz played a pivotal role in shaping Bowness, serving as its first postmaster, spearheading the establishment of the Bowness Mutual Telephone System, and chairing the Bowness School board for over two decades. Together with Ruby, they donated land for community amenities, leaving a lasting legacy of community development and cohesion.
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7	Thomson, Georgina	Georgina Thomson Building**, 2014	Librarian	In 1923, Georgina joined the Calgary Public Library where she remained until 1957. She ran the reference department and became known as "the answer lady".

** A former Calgary Public Library building, currently owned by The City of Calgary