

Original signed by: Byron Johnson

Council Report

Report Date: January 28, 2019
Meeting Date: February 26, 2019

To: Byron Johnson, City Manager
From: Matt Thomas, Director of Public Works Operations
Subject: Dedication of Veterans Way

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to inform council of the associated costs and work required in order to dually name the 200 block of Kinchant Street to include and be dedicated as Veterans' Way.

Summary

In order to dedicate the 200 block of Kinchant Street to Veterans' Way, Public Works is being requested to order signage and hardware to add to the current Kinchant Street name tabs and install, up to, two (2) extra sign posts and signage to the current sidewalk along this block. There was discussion about adding banners to the stands that are currently used by the Farmers Market but these banner poles are not owned by the City of Quesnel and thus this was not investigated further by staff. Further discussions on this project has lead to the idea of placing four (4) banner poles along the Legion side of Kinchant Street behind the existing sidewalk. Three (3) of these banner poles would be located on City of Quesnel property but one (1) would be placed in front of the Legion and therefore on their property, as there is no available right of way present along this side of the street.

It is important to note that there will be ongoing costs associated with the banners, poles and their maintenance. Consideration should also be given as to whether an agreement needs to be in place with the Legion in regards to the pole located on their property.

These changes would not change the civic addresses of any of the buildings and all addresses would continue to be designated as Kinchant Street.

Recommendation

That council provide direction to staff in regards to;

- Dedicating of the 200 block of Kinchant Street to include Veterans' Way which would include the appropriate sign poles and signage.
- Placing four (4) banner poles along the east side of Kinchant Street between Carson Avenue and Barlow Ave. With three (3) of these poles to be located on City property with one (1) being located on Legion property.

If approved the funding from this project would come from Council Initiatives.



Financial Implications

In order for the Public Works Crew to install the appropriate signage to the existing Kinchant Street name tabs and install posts in the sidewalk, where no name tags are present, would be approximately \$5000 dollars. The costs to purchase and install the four (4) banner poles would be approximately \$12,500 or a combined total of \$17,500.

With the location of the one (1) banner pole being located on the Legion's property there would have to be discussion as to the ownership of this banner pole as well as discussion about the costs associated with the ongoing maintenance of the banners to be placed on these poles.

Background

Staff was asked to look into the associated costs of dedicating a section of Kinchant Street, specifically the section directly in front of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 94. Although the official street name would continue to be Kinchant Street, this 200 block would honour our veterans and be dually tagged as "Veterans' Way". Public Works was asked to look into the associated costs with this dedication and found that \$5000 would cover the appropriate signage and pole installation and an additional \$12,500 for banner poles including their installation. Public Works is seeking direction from Council as to whether to pursue these options further.

Concurrence

Superintendent of Public Works and Director Corporate and Financial Services

Options

- Direct staff to pursue the ordering of and installation of signs dedicating the 200 block of Kinchant Street as Veterans Way and inform Public Works as to the timing of such a dedication.
- Direct staff to pursue the option of the above mentioned signage to also include the installation of four (4) banner poles and appropriate hardware along the east side of Kinchant Street.
- Direct staff not to pursue this option any further

Attachments

1. February 6, 2018 – Council Report#6/18 – Councillor Paull; and Resulting Council Resolution
2. November 20, 2018 – Administration Report #2/18 – Director Thomas; and Resulting Council Resolution