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Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 9:15 PM
To: Laura Davis <LDavis@oshawa.ca>
Subject: Re: FW: Facility Name Change

Hi Laura,

I am unclear if there is a standard or what the expectation is.. here is my first pass.

Dear Oshawa City Council,

On behalf of the Durham Region Slo-pitch Association, DRSA, I am writing to request a formal name change of Lakefront West park, LFW, in Oshawa to Pavloff Park.

The DRSA is a slo-pitch league that began in 1980, originally playing at Alexandra park in Oshawa, moving to LFW in its first year ~1988. Since the inception of Lakefront West park in Oshawa the DRSA has been the primary user and renter of this facility. Over this time the DRSA has grown from being an 8 team league with 100 players to a 107 team league, with over 1500 slo-pitch players. From 1982 until 2020, 38 years, our league had the same league scheduler & treasurer, Ron Pavloff. Ron worked tireless hours for the DRSA over this time period, he was the face of the DRSA and the face of LFW during this time period. Ron would coordinate well over 2500 baseball games each summer at LFW. He would often be seen at the ballpark talking to players and city employees to ensure players were enjoying themselves and working with city employees to ensure the best possible experience was had by all. As part of his role, Ron would work with the facility booking office, primarily Debra McCarten and Stacey Laing, to ensure all permits were in place and all invoices were paid in a timely manner. In our best estimates we believe the DRSA has rented this facility for over 50,000 games, \$1.5M-\$2M in rental fees over the 31 years. This was all done through one individual Ron Pavloff and for that we request that the City of Oshawa consider renaming Lakefront West Park to Pavloff Park.

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Regards,
DRSA

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