

### **COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION**

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: NAMING CEREMONY FOR THE PIXIE MCGEACHIE READING ROOM AT THE CITY OF BURNABY ARCHIVES

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. THAT Council approve the proposed ceremony to unveil the plaque naming the Pixie McGeachie Reading Room at the City of Burnaby Archives.
- 2. THAT the wording of the commemorative plaque be approved, as outlined in this report.

## **REPORT**

The Community Heritage Commission, at its meeting held on 2011 June 09, received and adopted the <u>attached</u> report seeking Council approval of the proposed naming ceremony for the Pixie McGeachie Reading Room and wording of the commemorative plaque.

The dedication of the Archives Reading Room in memory of Pixie McGeachie is a fitting tribute to one of Burnaby's foremost local historians and long-time community archivist. The ceremony will formally recognize Pixie's contributions and commemorate her legacy to the City.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor C. Jordan Chair

Councillor A. Kang Vice Chair

Councillor R. Chang Member

Copied to: City Manager

Deputy City Manager (C. Turpin)

City Archivist





TO:

CHAIR AND MEMBERS

COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

FROM:

CITY ARCHIVIST

**DATE:** 

2011 May 06

**FILE:** 13

1300-05

Reference: Pixie Me

Pixie McGeachie Reading

**SUBJECT:** 

NAMING CEREMONY FOR THE PIXIE MCGEACHIE READING

ROOM AT THE CITY OF BURNABY ARCHIVES

**PURPOSE:** 

To request approval of the proposed naming ceremony for the Pixie McGeachie

Reading Room and wording of the commemorative plaque

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. THAT the Community Heritage Commission request Council approval for the proposed ceremony to unveil the plaque naming the Pixie McGeachie Reading Room at the City of Burnaby Archives.

**2. THAT** the wording of the commemorative plaque be approved as outlined in this report.

#### **REPORT**

#### 1.0 BACKGROUND

On 14 March 2011, Burnaby City Council approved a report recommending the reading room at the City of Burnaby Archives be named in memory of Burnaby historian and community archivist, Pixie McGeachie. This report provides details of the proposed ceremony to unveil the commemorative plaque which will officially name the Pixie McGeachie Reading Room and to propose wording for the plaque.

# 2.0 CEREMONY TO UNVEIL COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE

It is proposed a ceremony be held on 24 September 2011 to unveil the commemorative plaque which will be installed at the City of Burnaby Archives to formally name the Pixie McGeachie Reading Room. The ceremony will be held in the public programming room adjacent to the City Archives at the McGill Branch Library, from 2:00pm-4:00pm. Due to space limitations, it is recommended invitations be sent to members of Burnaby City Council, the Community Heritage Commission, the family of Pixie McGeachie and the Executive of the Burnaby Historical Society to attend the ceremony and join with the Mayor and Chair of the Community Heritage

To: Community Heritage Commission

From: City Archivist

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Room at the City of Burnaby Archives

Commission as they unveil the plaque. Costs for the ceremony, including those for the design and manufacturing of the plaque, printing of invitations and refreshments are estimated at \$2500.00. Funds for this event are available in the Community Heritage Commission 2011 annual budget.

# 3.0 COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE

As noted above, a commemorative plaque is being designed to formalize the naming of the reading room, and it is recommended the wording appear as follows:

Pixie McGeachie Reading Room City of Burnaby Archives Dedicated by Burnaby City Council And Community Heritage Commission 24 September 2011

A rendering of the proposed design is attached to this report (*Attachment 1*).

# 4.0 CONCLUSION

The dedication of the Archives Reading Room in memory of Pixie McGeachie is a fitting tribute to one of Burnaby's foremost local historians and long-time community archivist. The proposed ceremony will allow City Council, the Community Heritage Commission, the Burnaby Historical Society and the family of Mrs. McGeachie to formally recognize her contributions and commemorate her legacy to our City.

Respectfully submitted,

Arilea Sill

CITY ARCHIVIST

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Attachment

cc: City Manager

Deputy City Manager (Turpin)

City Clerk

# PIXIE McGEACHIE READING ROOM CITY OF BURNABY ARCHIVES



DEDICATED BY BURNABY CITY COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION 2011 SEPTEMBER 24

Proposed Layout and Design of Plaque

Material: Bronze Size: 17" W x 14" H Thickness: 0.5"

Background: Heritage Brown Edge Finish: Brushed Bronze