

Agenda Item: 6.3

Request for Decision

Title	Bylaw 1616/23 - Civic Addressing Bylaw – Repeal and Replacement of Bylaw 825/97 – Second and Third Reading
Proposed Motion	 That Council give second reading of Bylaw 1616/23. That Council give third reading of Bylaw 1616/23.
Administrative Recommendation	Administration recommends that Council give second and third reading of Bylaw 1616/23.
Previous Council / Committee Direction	February 28, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Motion 049/23: That Council give first reading of Bylaw 1616/23.
Report	 Like most rural municipalities, Sturgeon County has assigned a rural address to its parcels, based on the primary access location of the multilot subdivision along Township Roads, Range Roads, and Highways. Locally, this is in accordance with the Municipal Addressing System Bylaw 825/97 (see Attachment 3). There are several concerns related to the existing Bylaw 825/97, such as: Makes no provision for assigning urban addresses – contemplated to be assigned for new growth in the Sturgeon Valley; Outdated references to the M.D. of Sturgeon No. 90; Very limited in how addresses are assigned, lacks any procedures that need to be followed, or even who the Addressing Authority is; and Makes no provision for addressing accessory dwelling units. As such, Administration recommends a new Civic Addressing Bylaw that provides for the following: A thorough list of definitions that adopts current terminology and land uses; Appointing the CAO or designate as the Addressing Authority; A process for assigning civic addresses. This includes the allocation of urban and rural addresses (including the methodology involved and guidelines regarding condominiums, consolidations, corner lots, County parks, cul-de-sac, etc.); A more conventional addressing model for urban areas; Guidelines for the display of a civic address; and

- 6. Offences and penalties for contraventions of the bylaw.
- Regarding <u>existing</u> rural subdivisions and their addressing, the option to convert these to a street name and number was reviewed; however, is not recommended as landowners would face high inconvenience and cost (land titles changes, drivers' licenses, family updates, etc.). As such and for consistency, the Bylaw determines that any new multi-lot subdivisions located in the Sturgeon Valley Core Area Structure Plan area, elsewhere in the County, and existing industrial parks still be assigned with rural addresses.
- For addressing in new urban multi-lot subdivisions located within the boundary of the Sturgeon Valley South Area Structure Plan, these would be assigned with urban street addresses.
- Administration completed a review of eight other jurisdictions (see Attachment 2) and determined that:
 - Addressing legislation ranges between bylaws and policies. Only the City of Beaumont had a combined naming policy that not only included streets, but also parks, trails, neighbourhoods, and municipal facilities.
 - Where other counties use urban addressing in rural areas, this is normally limited only to specific areas and introduced over time
 - What Administration is recommending is generally consistent with other jurisdictions.

External Communication

- The proposed bylaw is the product of many discussions that were held between Administration and the Postmaster. The proposed bylaw is also supported from an emergency response perspective.
- The proposed bylaw was first presented in public at the February 28,
 2023 Council meeting, where it received first reading.
- There is no requirement in the Municipal Government Act (MGA) for Council to hold a Public Hearing with regard to the proposed Civic Addressing Bylaw.

Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices

 Section 7 of the MGA authorizes Council to enact bylaws respecting the safety, health, and welfare of people and the protection of people and property.

Implication of Administrative Recommendation

Strategic Alignment

Operational Excellence – The proposed Bylaw will provide for and continue to provide for the effective assigning of civic addresses in the County.

Planned Growth – The proposed Bylaw will provide for the assigning of urban civic addresses in the residential growth areas as addressed in the Sturgeon Valley South Area Structure Plan.

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Organizational

 Administration has the capacity to administer the bylaw. The bylaw provides for set procedures and the decision-making authority of the Addressing Authority.

Financial

The proposed Civic Addressing Bylaw has no financial implications.

Alternatives Considered

Council could choose not to give second reading of Bylaw 1616/23.

Implications of Alternatives

Strategic Alignment

The County would miss out on an opportunity to improve the present system for the assigning of civic addresses, and would also not be prepared to assign urban addresses within the boundary of the Sturgeon Valley South Area Structure Plan.

Organizational

Municipal Addressing System Bylaw 825/97 would remain in place and the lack of any direction on how addresses are assigned, relevant procedures that need to be followed or even, who the Addressing Authority is, would remain.

Financial

None.

Follow up Action

Obtain Mayor and CAO signatures on Bylaw 1616/23 (Legislative Services, March 2023).

Attachment(s)

- 1. Attachment 1: Civic Addressing Bylaw 1616/23
- 2. Attachment 2: Addressing Intermunicipal Comparison
- 3. Attachment 3: Municipal Addressing System Bylaw 825/97

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Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: Offering a rich tapestry of historical, cultural, and natural experiences, Sturgeon County is a municipality that honours its rural roots and cultivates desirable communities. Uniquely situated to provide world-class agricultural, energy, and business investment opportunities, the County prioritizes responsible stewardship and dreaming big.

Guiding Principles: Collaboration | Accountability | Flexibility | Excellence | Safety | Future Readiness | Affordability | Innovation

Community Outcome	Not consistent	Consistent	N/A
Planned Growth			
• Internationally competitive to attract, grow and sustain diverse businesses; tenacious focus on new growth and innovation			×
Modern broadband and digital capabilities			\boxtimes
Low cost, minimal red-tape regulations		\boxtimes	
Reliable and effective infrastructure planning; comprehensive land use and infrastructure planning		×	
Thriving Communities			
 Beautiful, surprising places with high standards; integrated natural spaces & trail systems; healthy and resilient 			\boxtimes
 Engaging cultural, historical, and civic amenities; strong community identity and pride 		\boxtimes	
Safe, welcoming, and diverse communities; small community feel and personal connection; commitment to high quality of life		×	
Environmental Stewardship			
Clean air, land, and water; Carbon neutral municipal practices; circular economy opportunities			\boxtimes
 Conservation of natural areas and agricultural lands; enhanced greening and biodiversity; safekeeping ecosystems 			\boxtimes
Sustainable development; partnerships with industry and others to drive emission reductions			\boxtimes
Collaborative Governance			
Predictable and stable external relationships; volunteer partnerships			\boxtimes
Meaningful connections with Indigenous communities			×
Ongoing community consultation and engagement; transparent and action-oriented decision making based on sound rationale			\boxtimes
 Respectful and informed debate; clear and supportive governance processes 			\boxtimes
Operational Excellence			
 Engaged and effective people – Council, Admin and Volunteers; continuous learning and improvement mindset; nimble and bold, with strong leadership 		⊠	
 Quality cost-effective service delivery; robust procurement and operational practices and policies; asset management and performance measurement; careful debt and reserve stewardship; long-term financial planning and sustainability 		×	
Future focused thinking to proactively respond to emerging opportunities and challenges		×	
Alternative revenue generation and service delivery models integrated strategic and business planning			\boxtimes

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