

## 10. PROPOSED NEW ROAD AND RIGHT OF WAY NAME

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to obtain the Board's approval to four new road names.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The approval of proposed road and right of way names is delegated to Community Boards.
3. The Subdivision Officer has checked all proposed names against the Council's road name database to ensure they will not be confused with names currently in use. The names have also been discussed with staff at Land Information NZ who act on behalf of the emergency services in respect to road naming.

#### (a) RMA 20016336 Colorado Developments Hills Road

Stage 1 of this large subdivision will create forty-six new residential allotments, to be accessed via a new spine road off Hills Road near Mairehau High School, and two new roads running north of the spine road. Future stages of the subdivision may spread north to Queen Elizabeth II Drive, and possibly west to Philpotts Road. The applicants have expressed a desire to have a common theme for all the roads, and have proposed the names of famous Jazz musicians and members of the "Big Band era" Three names are proposed for the first three roads on stage 1, but the applicants also wish to have a "name bank" approved for use on the remaining stages, to ensure some of their more favoured names are not used on other subdivisions prior to the remaining stages of this subdivision being completed. There is precedent for this, where fifty names with a common theme were approved for the Broadoaks subdivision in Huntsbury, ten years ago, and the names are still being allocated to the new roads constructed on the later stages of the subdivision at present. The names proposed for the first stage are **East Ellington Drive** (after Duke Ellington-songwriter, composer and acclaimed performer. 'East' was added as the road commences in the eastern part of the subdivision, and will make the name more distinctive) **Holiday Drive** (after Billie Holiday "Lady Day" the famous jazz singer who died in 1959), and **Teagarden Close** (after Jack Teagarden, a trombonist who was regarded as one of the best White Jazz singers in the 1920's New York Jazz scene). The names proposed to be held for the later stages do include some longer names, however there will be some longer roads created on the later stages, so these should not create any problems. The proposed name bank is: **Bechet** (after Sidney Bechet 'the epitome of jazz'), **Lunceford** (Jimmie Lunceford –leader of a swinging big band and saxophone player), **Basie** or **Count Basie** (Piano player whose influence was said to be heard in every big band of his time), Cab Calloway ( a premier jazz entertainer, not only with his own orchestra but also for four decades in musicals), **Ammons** (Albert Ammons, the 'Boogie Woogie man "one of the big three of the late thirties", **Sweetman** (the Sweetman brothers, George and Dave played sax and bass respectively, and teamed up with their half-brother Emile Sweetman as Emile Ford and the Checkmates their first record was released in 1959), **Miles Davis** (the "Picasso of Jazz" recommend subject to the suffix not being "Place" – Davis Place exists), **Dizzy Gillespie** (one of the greatest jazz trumpeters of the 20<sup>th</sup> century" recommend subject to the suffix not being "Road" - Gillespies Road exists)

Other famous musicians were suggested by the applicants: Louis Armstrong "Satchmo" , Cab Calloway, Jimmy Dorsey, Benny Goodman and Nina Simone, but these names may be confused with the existing street names of Armstrong Avenue, Alloway Street, Dorset Street, Goodman Street and Simeon Street and Nina Lane. It is suggested that these latter names could be applied to names of reserves created in later stages.

**(b) 520 Hills Road Premier Developments Limited**

This subdivision is situated in the south western corner of Queen Elizabeth II Drive and Innes Road. Eighteen new residential allotments will be created. Access is to be provided via a new road extending off Hills Road. As this will be a single road, no common theme has been requested. The names **Queenswood Gardens, Frogmore Close** and **Knollwood Place** have been proposed for the road. Queenswood from the proximity to Queen Elizabeth II Drive and the abundance of trees in the locality, Knollwood after the trees in the locality, and Frogmore after the frogs in the area.

**FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

4. The administration fee for road naming is included as part of the subdivision consent application fee, and the cost of name plates is charged to the developer. There is no financial cost to the Council. Local Authorities have a statutory responsibility to approve road names.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Board approve the names as submitted above, and consider the proposal for a name bank as requested in (a) above. Both subdivisions are reaching the critical stage for names, therefore the applicants request that if their preferences are not approved that the Board consider approving names from the additional names provided.

**CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION**

For discussion.