

**Subject:** Proposed Street Name Change by Area Municipality - Regional Road 61, Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

**Report to:** Public Works Committee

**Report date:** Tuesday, January 9, 2024

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## Recommendations

1. That Regional Council **APPROVE** the renaming of Regional Road 61 (Townline Stamford Road / Niagara Townline Road), between Regional Road 100 (Four Mile Creek Road / St. Paul Avenue) and Regional Road 102 (Stanley Avenue) to Regional Road 61 (Niagara Townline Road); and
2. That the necessary by-law **BE PREPARED** and **PRESENTED** for Council's consideration.

## Key Facts

- The purpose of this report is to recommend the passing of a by-law to rename a section of Regional Road 61 as requested by The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-On-The-Lake from "Townline Stamford Road" to "Niagara Townline Road".
- In the spring of 2014, The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-On-The-Lake Council passed a resolution that Townline (Stamford) Road (Regional Road 61) between Four Mile Creek Road and Stanley Avenue be renamed to Niagara Townline Road (Regional Road 61). This request is for municipal identification and compliance with the 911 PERS (Public Emergency Reporting System) and Next Generation 911 (NG911).
- The recommended name change will remove the risk of confusion related to the road name as it pertains to emergency service response.

## Financial Considerations

Public Works Policy PW3.R01.8 guides how requests from area municipalities for changes to Regional Road names are managed. Per the policy, the Region of Niagara and its area municipality shall share equally (50/50) in the cost of renaming a Regional Road, including advertising, registration of necessary documents and signage of the roadway within its jurisdiction.

The costs to introduce the recommended name change within the Region's jurisdiction are estimated to be no greater than \$300. Niagara Region's share of this cost (\$150) can be accommodated within the approved budget.

There may be ancillary costs to three property owners on the north side of Townline Stamford Road to change to the new address as determined by the Town of Niagara-On-The-Lake. These costs would be payable by the property owners or the Town of Niagara-On-The-lake.

## **Analysis**

Public Works Policy PW3.R01.8 (Road Naming Policy for Regional Roads) outlines the requirements for the renaming of Regional Roads by local municipalities.

Consistent with the requirements of the Policy;

- Niagara Region received a resolution (Resolution 11 dated March 3, 2014) from Niagara-On-The-Lake Town Council requesting "that Townline (Stamford) Road (Regional Road 61), the section lying between Four Mile Creek Road and Stanley Avenue be renamed to Niagara Townline Road (Regional Road 61) for the purposes of municipal identification".
- As outlined above, Niagara Region and the Town of Niagara-On-The-Lake will share equally the internal costs associated with the renaming of Regional Road 61.
- The Region is responsible for providing public notice and holding a public meeting. Regional staff advertised the proposed changes in the local newspaper and on Niagara Region's website and social media sites and identified that a public meeting will be held during Niagara Region's Public Works Committee on January 9, 2024.

## **Conclusion**

Regional staff support the request of Niagara-On-The-Lake Town Council and therefore recommend renaming Regional Road 61 (Townline Stamford Road / Niagara Townline Road), between Regional Road 100 (Four Mile Creek Road / St. Paul Avenue) and Regional Road 102 (Stanley Avenue) to Regional Road 61 (Niagara Townline Road) as illustrated in Appendix 1.

## **Alternatives Reviewed**

Do Nothing Alternative:

Not proceeding with the change would result in non-compliance with the 911 PERS (Public Emergency Reporting System) and Next Generation 911 (NG911) and creates risk of confusion when emergency services are responding to a call in the vicinity.

## **Relationship to Council Strategic Priorities**

The recommended Regional Road renaming supports Council's Effective Region Strategic Priority to ensure Niagara Region's compliance with the 911 PERS (Public Emergency Reporting System) and Next Generation 911 (NG911) initiatives.

## **Other Pertinent Reports**

None.

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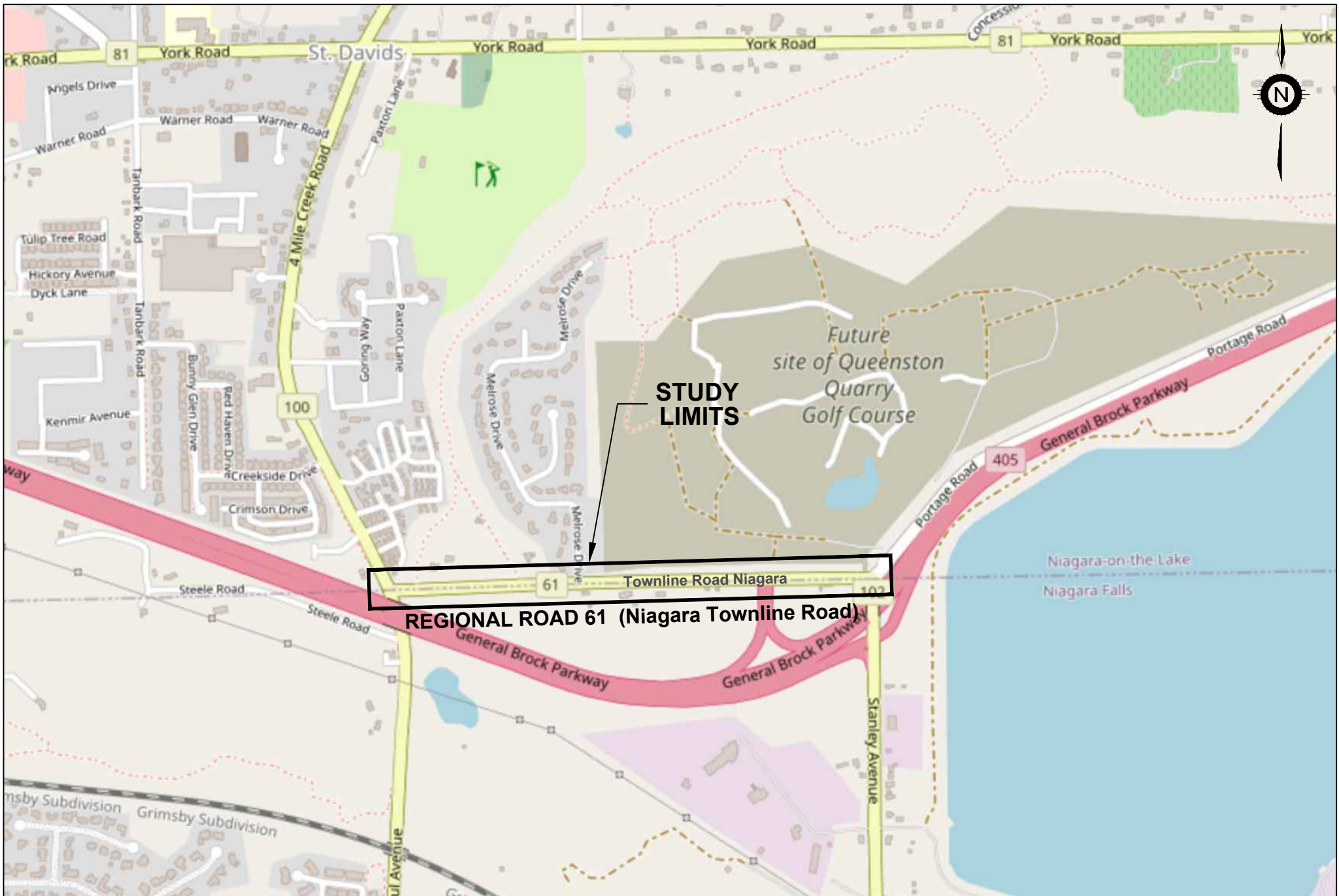
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Appendix 1            Key Plan  
Appendix 2            Niagara-On-The -Lake Town Council Resolution 11



**APPENDIX 1 - REPORT PW 1-2024**  
**REGIONAL ROAD 61 (Niagara Townline Rd)**  
**FROM REGIONAL ROAD 100 (St. Paul Ave.) TO REGIONAL ROAD 102 (Stanley Ave.)**  
**IN THE TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE**

DATE	DEC 2023
SCALE	NOT TO SCALE
REF. No.	<b>APPENDIX 1</b>
DWG No.	<b>KEYPLAN</b>



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**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE**  
OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

DATE: **MARCH 3, 2014**

RESOLUTION NO. 11

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

That Townline (Stamford) Road (Regional Road 61), the section lying between Four Mile Creek Road and Stanley Avenue be renamed to Niagara Townline Road (Regional Road 61) for the purposes of municipal identification.

  
Approved