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Purpose

This policy provides guidance for considering road name or road renaming requests for new or existing streets and roads in Rocky View County (the County).



Policy Statement

- The County promotes safer communities by selecting road names that facilitate accurate property identification by emergency services
- The County chooses road names that acknowledge and honour the history of the County, as well as are consistent with the geographic areas.
- The County encourages ease of movement throughout the County by using road names that are not easily confused with other road names within the County and neighbouring municipalities.



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- 5 A road name must meet the following criteria:
 - (1) The road name is not duplicated within the County or adjacent municipalities that are within the 911 response area; and
 - (2) The road name suffix adheres to standard road type classifications as per the Roadway Network Protocol & Hierarchy attached as Appendix A.



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- 6 A proposed road name is given preference where:
 - (1) The road name is compatible with existing road names;
 - (2) A historical reference is used; and
 - (3) Strong supporting rationale is provided by the applicant.
- Administration determines whether a proposed road name is acceptable using the criteria in paragraphs 5 and 6.
- 8 Where Administration rejects the proposed road name based on the criteria in paragraph 6, Council considers the proposed road name at the request of the applicant who proposed the name.



References

Legal Authorities	•	n/a
Related Plans, Bylaws, Policies, etc.	•	n/a
Related Procedures	•	n/a
Other	•	n/a



Policy History

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Definitions

1 In this policy:



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- (1) "Administration" means the operations and staff of Rocky View County under the direction of the Chief Administrative Officer as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, c M-26 or their authorized delegate;
- (2) "Council" means the duly elected Council of Rocky View County;
- (3) "Rocky View County" or "the County" means Rocky View County as a municipal corporation and the geographical area within its jurisdictional boundaries, as the context requires.



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Appendix A – Roadway Network Protocol and Hierarchy

North-South and East-West grid roads are numerically designated by utilizing the township-range system of survey:

- East-West roads are known as Township Roads and the numbers increment upwards from south to north.
- North-South roads are known as Range Roads and increment upward from east to west.
- Named roads officially adopted in 1996 had significant historical value and were therefore not edited to comply with any hierarchal order.

There are 3 basic road classifications in use in the County:

- "L" means local or residential;
- "C" means collector including minor and major; and
- "A" means arterial.

The classification of a road is determined by its' anticipated traffic volume, the type of subdivision it is located in (residential, commercial), the number of lots fronting onto it, and its' geometric configuration.

Road Type	Abbreviation	Definition	Classification
Alley	AL	A narrow minor roadway	(N/A)
Avenue	AV	Generally numerical east-west roadways in Hamlets	L,C,A,
Bay	ВА	A cul-de-sac of relatively short length, generally located near water	L
Bend		A roadway adjacent to or near the curved part of a moving body of water	L,C
Boulevard	BV	A major roadway that may or may not be contained within a single subdivision area	A,C
Cape	CA	A cul-de-sac located near water	L
Circle	CI	A minor roadway that completes a loop upon itself	L,C
Close	CL	A "p" shaped or racquet-shaped roadway with only one entry	L,C
Common	СМ	Generally applied to private roadways, but can be used for other roadways	L
Court	CO	A cul-de-sac	L
Cove	CV	A cul-de-sac often located near water	L
Crescent	CR	A "u" shaped minor roadway accessible at either end from the same roadway with no other intersections with through streets	L,C
Dale		A roadway located in a valley	L
Drive	DR	A collector roadway	C,A



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Gardens	GD	A minor roadway where vegetation is noticeable	L
Gate	GA	A short minor roadway giving access to a subdivision	С
Glen		A cul-de-sac on or near the edge of a valley	L
Green	GR	A minor roadway adjacent to or embracing an open space	L
Grove	GV	A minor roadway where trees or vegetation are noticeable	L,C
Heath	HE	A minor roadway adjacent to or embracing an open space	L
Heights	HT	A minor roadway located on a hill or escarpment	L
Highway	HI	Federal or provincially designated roadways	Α
Hill	HL	A minor roadway located on lands with noticeable slope	L,C
Island	IS	A minor roadway surrounded by water	L
Landing	LD	A minor roadway located near water, or located on an escarpment overlooking a valley	L
Lane	LN	A narrow minor roadway	L
Link	LI	A minor roadway joining two cells of a subdivision, or joining two points of one roadway.	L
Manor	MR	A minor roadway	L
Meadows		Usually a cul-de-sac. The road name adopted the subdivision name.	L
Mews	ME	A cul-de-sac	L
Mount	MT	A minor roadway located on a hill or escarpments	L
Parade	PR	A decorative minor roadway	L
Park	PA	A minor roadway located adjacent to, or embracing an open space area	L,C
Parkway	PY	A restricted or limited access roadway that can accommodate high volumes of traffic, creates a well-defined corridor, passes through a park, "park-like" conditions or landscaped surroundings	L
Passage	PS	A narrow roadway	L
Path	PH	A narrow roadway	L
Place	PL	A cul-de-sac or "p"-shaped roadway	L
Point	PT	A minor roadway near water or located on a promontory	L
Range Road	Rge. Rd.	Numerically designated north-south roadways	С
Ridge		A short roadway, usually a cul-de-sac, located in a primarily ranching environment	L
Rise	RI	A minor roadway that has a noticeable slope throughout most of its length	L
Road	RD	A roadway that may change direction	L,C



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Row	RO	A minor roadway	L
Run	RN	A roadway adjacent to or near a natural area	L,C
Square	SQ	A minor roadway embracing an open space	L
Street	ST	Generally numerical north-south roadways in Hamlets	L,C,A
Terrace	TC	A minor roadway located on a hill or escarpment	L
Township Road	Twp. Rd.	Numerically designated east-west roadways	С
Trail	TR	High traffic transportation arteries that span more than one area of the MD.	А
Vale		A minor roadway located in a valley	L
View	VW	A minor roadway located on lands with a noticeable view	L
Villas	VI	A minor roadway, generally private	L
Walk/Walkway	WK	A pedestrian walkway within a comprehensive development	(N/A)
Way	WY	A roadway that may change direction	L,C,A

The Road Types below are no longer accepted:

Road Type	Abbreviation	Definition	Classification
Acres			n/a
Estates		Usually a cul-de-sac. The road name adopted the subdivision name	n/a
Hollow		A cul-de-sac generally of short length	n/a
Ranch			n/a