1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council approval of the recommended individual for the inaugural 2018 E.P. Taylor/Windfields Farm Champion Award.

Attachment 1 contains information on the recommended recipient.

2.0 Recommendation

That the Community Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That, pursuant to Report CS-18-27 dated March 23, 2018, Council approve the recommended individual as set out in Attachment 1 to said Report as the inaugural recipient of the 2018 E.P. Taylor/Windfields Farm Champion Award and that the award be presented at a future Council meeting in 2018.

3.0 Executive Summary

Not applicable.

4.0 Input From Other Sources

- City Manager
- Commissioner of Development Services
- Executive Director of Finance/Treasurer
5.0 Analysis

On February 22, 2016 City Council approved the Proposed Program for Honouring the Windfields Farm Legacy as generally set out in Report DS-16-23 dated February 3, 2016.

One of the short term (1 to 3 years) action items was to create an E.P. Taylor/Windfields Farm Champion Award for someone who exemplifies innovation and has overcome adversity.

Another short-term action item was to honour E.P. Taylor and Windfields Farm by presenting the E.P. Taylor/Windfields Champion Award at a Council meeting around the time the Kentucky Derby race is to occur in May of each year.

The Mayor would provide comments at the Council meeting on how Oshawa’s future is built on the legacy of men and women like E.P. Taylor who were innovators, leaders and champions.

In addition, the video of Northern Dancer’s Kentucky Derby win could also be shown at the Council meeting.

6.0 Financial Implications

The cost of an individual award and City plaque for the annual award can be managed within the Departmental budget.

7.0 Relationship to the Oshawa Strategic Plan

This report addresses the Oshawa Strategic Plan by responding to the goal of Cultural Vitality.

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