ECCO Neighborhood Name Change Community Meetings

Summary of Comments

May 9, 2019 Meeting
Saddened by Court of Appeals decision

Honor native American land that we occupy in our neighborhood - supports change

- Use University principles as a guide

We don’t live in a vacuum.

- Dakota Land doesn’t belong to the people. People belong to the land

This is the opportune moment to change the neighborhood name.

J. C. Calhoun’s legacy fundamentally conflicts with Yale values and our neighborhood

Progressive neighborhood. Not that hard to take on and pronounce a new name

Traditions are not all good
- Guest
  Court
  Legally decisions are
  re: Calhoun/SOD
     - concerns?
     - affect protection of shoreline?

- Way to share effectively w/residents not present
- LIKE EAST MAKA SKA
- DON'T LIKE UPTOWN NAME
- LEGACY OF PERSON AT ODDS WITH VALUES OF NHOOD
- DON'T HONOR CALHOUN
- PROGRESSIVE & INCLUSIVE NHOOD
- CURRENT NAME DOES HARM - GOES AGAINST VALUES OF ECCO
- HONOR DAKOTA PPL &
- OPPORT TO BE LEADERS
- EXCITING SM NHOOD CAN HAVE BIG IMPACT W/ NAME ∆
- LET'S KEEP SAME ACRONYM ECCO ENVIRO CONCERNED CITIZENS ORG
- LAKE PROTECTION
Came in w/ no opinion. Focus on honoring the native peoples in our neighborhood name. It would be great for the area.

Current name is problematic. Doesn't use it and would prefer to have a name they can be proud of.

Hate an acronym ECO. Would like something more poetic.

Favor name change - relate to lake name or something different.

Changing neighborhood name should have no impact on shoreland ordinance.

By laws guide the decision making process.
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May 11, 2019 Meeting
History + symbolism is important.
If we truly wanted to respect the history and people who lived here, respect the ecosystem.

Lake Calhoun is my history.
Social norms are changing. If we want to be progressive, when we think of naming, think forward rather than to history. We are our own people. Being who we are is most important here.

- No Jewish or Nazi symbolism in Munich museum. Need to be very careful about not changing history.

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- We can look to the past, we can look to the future, we can look to each other.

- Need to respect what was here originally. Horrified about learning about Calhoun.

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- Interesting that we are having this discussion.

- This neighborhood is my history now. Support changing. All opinions matter.

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- People feel harmed by this name. That needs to be weighted.
Personally do not want to be represented by that name. (Calhoun)

Want to live in a neighborhood that makes me proud in all ways

Changed to Ecco to be inclusive of all residents

Was hesitant about change of lake name, but believes it is right and an opportunity to recognize early settlers of the area.

Calhoun had nothing to do with this neighborhood

If there is unsettled feelings, this opportunity

Buffalo Trails pass name

Every society has some form of injustice

What makes Uptown unique—A collection of areas?

Changing name affects community branding and may have negative effect.
- THANKS FOR WONDERFUL DISCUSSION

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- Active community here before European settlers
- Should give Native Americans more respect
- Racism part of how unfolding

- Don't see connection between Calhoun & anything regarding current values of neighborhood
- Calhoun had nothing to do with this neighborhood/state

- If you're not from here or haven't lived here for a long time — not as much investment more in current name, respect current history

- Yale UNIU guidelines for changing names
  - What person's tie to place is (was, etc)
  - Be, evaluate person's impact overall & is that what is desired or does it reflect current values?

- This is Native American land — shouldn't be named to Calhoun
CALHOUN
- INTELLECT ARCHITECT OF SLAVERY & SECESSION
- INFERIORITY OF ONE WHEN YOU PLACE
- MAKE MISTAKES - TAKE RESPONSIBILITY

IN CHICAGO - NAMES ARE SACROSANCT
- WHY NOT GIVE NHOOD NAME RET ACTUAL HX
- TRUE IDENTITY

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- BEAME - CONGRESSMAN & CALHOUN SER BFT WAR
  - CALHOUN DURING INDIAN WARS
  - DING NAME ONE TINY NAME THING WE CAN DO

IN JUSTICE PART OF HX OF EVERY NHOOD - MEMORIALIZING HX PROCESS IS OK. DOESN'T JUSTIFY HOW KEEPING NAME IF WE DON'T AGREE WITH HOW HX UNFOLDED
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May 14, 2019 Meeting
- Name Δ = Bylaws Δ Repurcussions?
- White ppl attacking other white ppl of being racist
- Media coverage
- Social engineering?
- Name vs environment of lake
- Neighborhood needs to come together
- Our lake most abused lake in chain of lakes "Dying by 1000 cuts"
- Please pay attention
- Land use proposals having environmental impacts on the lake
- Focus on that
- IS IT PREMATURE SINCE LAKE NAME BEING CHALLENGED?
- NAME OF NHOOD NOT INTERDEPENDENT W/ LAKE NAME Δ
- LIKE ECCO, NOT RACIST
- NOT NECESSARILY "EAST OAHOUN"
- NHOOD NAME DOESN'T NEED TO REFLECT LAKE NAME
- PARKWAY NAMED DIVISIVE
- PREFER ECCO
  ECCO = "ECHO THAT GOES ACROSS LAKE"
  "ECCO" ALONE W/OUT OAHOUN
- Deeply sympathetic to the feelings of the native community.

- Work to protect environment of this lake

- Spending so much energy on branding. So many issues to address in this neighborhood. Are we really focusing on the right things. Keep ECCO, not East Calhoun Community Organization

- Started to embrace name change over time. In favor of changing name of ECCO given it includes "Calhoun"

- Need to consider all the interconnections

- Worried about the deceptiveness that is embedding in this name change conversation

- Some may choose to not participate because they may not have an opinion or don't care.