

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

NOTE THE MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

Antioch Community Center 4703 Lone Tree Way Antioch, CA 94531

> Thursday August 15, 2019 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents are given the opportunity to address the Commission on Park and Recreation issues not on the regular agenda.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action:

- 1. Motion to approve annotated agenda minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of June 20, 2019.
- 2. Motion to approve minutes of the Joint Parks and Recreation and Crime Prevention Commission meeting of July 15, 2019.

VI. BUSINESS

- 1. Resolution to Approve Park-in-Lieu Fee Credit for Aviano Phases 1, 2 and 3: Subdivisions 9249, 9449 and 9489 (PW 676-1, 676-2 and 676-3)
- 2. Ad-Hoc Committee for Purposes of Reviewing Civic Enhancement Grant Applications
- 3. Review and Approve Policy for Naming and Renaming of Parks, Recreation Features, or Public Spaces

VII. COMMUNICATIONS (Announcements and Correspondence)

- 1. Staff Communication
- 2. Commission Communication

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Council Chambers 200 H Street Antioch, CA 94509

> Thursday June 20, 2017 7:00 p.m.

ANNOTTATED AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order by Chair McClelland at 7:05 pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair McClelland led the Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Arce, Belche, Eubanks, Foster, Knight, McClelland Commissioners Absent: Othman Staff Present: Nancy Kaiser, Parks and Recreation Director

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents are given the opportunity to address the Commission on Park and Recreation issues not on the regular agenda.

Twelve members of the public spoke individually about the Skate Park located at Prewett Community Park. Speakers expressed support for the skate park; noted their disappointment about the recent vandalism, graffiti and destruction that has occurred at the skate park; inquired about a re-opening date; offered support to help future needs of the skate park; shared openly about the value of the skate park in the community for all ages.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action:

1. Motion to approve annotated agenda minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of April 18, 2019.

Motion to Approve Minutes for Meeting of April 18, 2019 6 Yes / 0 No 1 Absent

VI. BUSINESS

1. Review and Approve the Recommendation for Priority Criteria for Future Park Development and Renovation Projects.

Motion to Recommend and Approve the following preferred priorities for future park development and renovation projects related to new and existing parks: increased shade with trees and shade structures, restroom upgrades, increased lighting upgrades to existing lighting and playground renovations with City staff making the final determination.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS (Announcements and Correspondence)

1. Staff Communication

Staff introduced Ms. Lucy Rice, a new assistant in Public Works to assist with park inspections to identify problem areas and double check work in progress. Recreation staff announced that recreation programs were at peak operations for summer; from camps to water park, and sports and facility rentals. The Skate Park will re-open before July 4th. The City will begin preparing a grant application for the Prop 68 Statewide Park Development Program. The application will focus on Contra Loma Estates Park, which meets all the key criteria for the grant program.

2. Commission Communication

Commissioners expressed thanks to the residents that came to speak during Public Comments about the Skate Park; they appreciated hearing how the skate park was an important part of their interests, and about today's trends in skating and boarding such as the 2020 Olympics including skateboarding. Commissioners reminded the public that SeeClickFix is an important tool for reporting issues especially in parks and open spaces.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Reminder that the July Meeting will be a joint meeting with the Police Crime Prevention Commission on Monday, July 15th at Contra Loma Estates Park. The key agenda topics will be National Night Out (August 6th) and the Prop 68 Community Meeting/Conversation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

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JOINT ANTIOCH CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION / PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Antioch, California July 15, 2019

Contra Loma Estates Park, Mahogany Dr. & Manzanita Way Antioch CA. 94509

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson LaPoint called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M., on July 15, 2018 at Contra Loma Estates Park.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Eubanks, Lewis, and Morales

and Vice Chairperson LaPoint

Absent: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Thurston and Chairperson White

Present: Park and Recreation Commissioners Eubanks, Foster, Arce and Vice

Chairperson Knight

Absent: Park and Recreation Commissioners Othman, Belche and Chairperson

McClelland

Staff: Lieutenant, Powell Meads

Director of Parks and Recreation, Nancy Kaiser

Coordinator, Hans Ho Minutes Clerk, Kitty Eiden

3. CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

Police Crime Prevention Vice Chairperson LaPoint and Director of Parks and Recreation Kaiser gave opening remarks.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 18, 2019 Police Crime Prevention Commission

On motion by Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Eubanks, seconded by Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Lewis the Crime Prevention Commission members present unanimously approved the minutes of June 18, 2018 as presented. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Eubanks, Lewis, Morales and

Vice Chairperson LaPoint

Absent: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Thurston and Chairperson White

June 20, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission

As recommended by Director of Parks and Recreation Kaiser, the Parks and Recreation Commission agreed to continue the minutes of the June 20, 2019 to August 2019.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

6. BUSINESS:

i. Business Watch Implementation - Report by Commission Chair White

Commissioner Eubanks provided an update for the Marina Business Watch group.

Vice Chairperson LaPoint provided an update for the Hillcrest Center Business Watch group.

ii. NW Best Practices Committee - Report by Commission Chair White

Police Crime Prevention Vice Chairperson LaPoint reported that the last Neighborhood Watch Best Practices Committee meeting had been cancelled and they anticipated that the next meeting would be scheduled in August.

iii. "Adopt a Shopping Center Project" - Report by Sub-Committee

Following discussion, the Police Crime Prevention Commission agreed to table this item until the next Police Crime Prevention Commission meeting.

iv. Suggestion to Antioch Police Department to issue window placards for those who registered their surveillance cameras

Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Eubanks reported on the suggestion to Antioch Police Department to issue window placards with their logo for those who registered their surveillance cameras.

Following discussion, the Police Crime Prevention Commission continued this item to the next meeting for further research.

v. National Night Out Grant Awards

Police Crime Prevention Coordinator Ho and Lieutenant Meads presented National Night Out grant awards to Block Captains who had submitted applications.

7. NEW ITEMS TO BE AGENDIZED FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

i. Input from the Commissioners and/or Antioch Police Department

Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Eubanks and Lewis reported that the Adopt a Shopping Center subcommittee met and they suggested replacing the Adopt a Shopping Center model with four groups consisting of parents, students/youth, businesses and religious leaders, each represented by a Commissioner. The goal being to develop strategies to address issues that faced those groups. They announced that they would be providing a formal proposal to the Commission at their next meeting.

They agreed to label this project "Community Outreach" and Coordinator Ho stated if approved by the Commission, it would be added to the next agenda.

On motion by Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Morales the Police Crime Prevention Commission members present unanimously approved the formation of the Community Outreach program.

Ayes: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Eubanks, Lewis, Morales and

Vice Chairperson LaPoint

Absent: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Thurston and Chairperson White

ii. Contra Loma Estates Park Planning Workshop and Community Discussion for Proposition 68 Grant Application

As recommended by Director of Parks and Recreation Kaiser, the Police Crime Prevention Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission agreed to move this item to the end of the meeting.

8. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioners

Vice Chairperson LaPoint announced Lieutenant Meads was recently appointed as the liaison to the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Eubanks and Police Crime Prevention Vice Chairperson LaPoint reported on their Business Watch and Neighborhood Watch groups.

Antioch Police Department Staff

Lieutenant Meads stated he was happy to be back as the staff liaison to the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

Coordinator Ho reported National Night Out would be taking place on August 6, 2019 and he had sent out Commissioners assignments for the event. He announced that some assignments would have to be rescheduled due to the resignation of Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Ristau.

Recreation and Public Works Staff - None

Police Crime Prevention Vice Chairperson LaPoint announced the following meeting/presentation and event schedule.

9. FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS / EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS / EVENTS

- i) Saturday, August 4 -- Neighborhood Clean Up, Carmen Dragon Elementary School
- ii) Tuesday, August 6, 6:00 P.M. 9:00 P.M., National Night Out
- iii) There will not be a regular Crime Prevention Commission meeting in August due to National Night Out activities on August 6, 2019
- iv) August 15, 2018 Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

Coordinator Ho announced the Emergency Preparedness Fair would be held on August 24, 2019 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and email reminders would be sent out to the Commission.

8. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS - Continued

Commissioner

Parks and Recreation Commissioner Arce reported that families from the Antioch community had shared their appreciation and thank you for the upcoming playground replacement projects, especially Chichibu Park. She further reported that several families approached her while she has been out and about in the community to thank the City.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT AND COMMISSIONERS MEET AND GREET

A speaker asked if a Business Watch group for the Deer Valley Plaza Shopping Center had been established.

Coordinator Ho responded that there was none at this time and since there had been new appointments to the Commission, Neighborhood Watch and Business Watch groups would need to be reassigned.

A speaker questioned if there were services available for the homeless.

Coordinator Ho responded that there was a Community Engagement Team consisting of two Antioch Police Officers who addressed homeless issues.

Commissioner Eubanks added that a Homeless Encampment Task Force consisting of Councilmembers Thorpe and Motts were focusing on this issue.

Lieutenant Meads offered to discuss this matter with the speaker following the meeting.

i. Contra Loma Estates Park Planning Workshop and Community Discussion for Proposition 68 Grant Application – (Continued from earlier in the Agenda)

Director of Parks and Recreation Kaiser thanked everyone in attendance this evening and announced that Council had adopted the resolution of local support and authorized the filing of a grant application to the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation under Proposition 68. She reported that Contra Loma Estates Park was the only park in Antioch that met the criteria. She commented that they had received great feedback from neighbors during the Neighborhood Cleanup event which took place at the park at the beginning of July. She noted a table was set up in the park this evening to allow everyone present this evening to provide their feedback. She explained that the City Council had shown their commitment to the Contra Loma Estates Park by renovating the playground and funding the replacement of the tennis courts with basketball courts. She stated they were seeking input from the community on park amenities and the placement of those improvements.

Commissioners and residents were welcomed to enjoy snacks and meet and greet.

11. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Eubanks, seconded by Police Crime Prevention Commissioner Lewis the Crime Prevention Commission members and Parks and Recreation Commission members present unanimously adjourned the meeting. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Eubanks, Lewis, Morales and

Vice Chairperson LaPoint

Absent: Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Thurston and Chairperson White

Ayes: Parks and Recreation Commissioners Foster, Arce, Eubanks and Vice

Chairperson Knight

Absent: Parks and Recreation Commissioners Othman, Belche and Chairperson

McClelland

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 P.M.



STAFF REPORT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

DATE: Regular Meeting of August 15, 2019

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

SUBMITTED BY: Nancy Kaiser, Parks and Recreation Director May Lauge

SUBJECT: Ad-Hoc Committee for Purposes of Reviewing Civic Enhancement

Grant Applications

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission appoint two members of the Commission to serve on the Civic Enhancement Grant Ad-Hoc Committee.

Discussion

The Fiscal Year 19-21 Budget approved by City Council includes the continuation of the Civic Enhance Grants Program to support community events and improvement projects that originate with nonprofit organizations in Antioch. It is the City's goal to assist nonprofit organizations by creating and implementing a grant program to fund civic events and enhancement projects in an objective and efficient manner. The City Council requested that the Parks and Recreation Commission make final recommendations for grant approval to the City Council.

The general timeframe for the Grant Program is September through December 2019. The Ad-Hoc Committee review of grant applications will take place in October with review and recommendation by the Commission in November or December.



STAFF REPORT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

DATE:

Regular Meeting of August 15, 2019

PREPARED BY:

Ken R. Warren, Project Manager

APPROVED BY:

Jon Blank, Public Works Director/City Engineer

SUBJECT:

Resolution to Approve Park-in-Lieu Fee Credit for Aviano Phases 1,

2 and 3: Subdivisions 9249, 9449 and 9489 (PW 676-1, 676-2 and

676 - 3)

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission adopt the resolution (Attachment "A") approving park-in-lieu fee credit for Aviano Phases 1, 2 and 3: Subdivisions 9249, 9449 and 9489 (PW 676-1, 676-2 and 676-3).

BACKGROUND

The applicant, Aviano Farms, LLC, requests approval of park-in-lieu fee credit for Aviano Phases 1, 2 and 3: Subdivisions 9249, 9449 and 9489 (PW 676-1, 676-2 and 676-3). The 533-unit residential community sits on a portion of an approximately 184-acre site. The project is located on the easterly side of the Sand Creek Focus Area of the General Plan, west of the current terminus of Hillcrest Avenue, east and north of Dozier Libby Medical High School (APNs 057-050-022, 057-030-005).

On September 8, 2015 the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2015/68 approving the Vesting Tentative Map/Final Development Plan and Use Permit for the Aviano Farms project. On September 22, 2015 the City Council adopted Ordinance 2017-C-S approving a Development Agreement between the City of Antioch and Aviano Farms, LLC, regarding the property and project. The project site is located on the easterly side of the Sand Creek Focus Area, east of the current terminus of Hillcrest Avenue, west of Heidorn Ranch Road and north of Sand Creek (APN 057-030-003 and 057-030-007).

DISCUSSION

The Vesting Tentative Map (VTM) allows the developer to employ multiple (phased) final maps, creating separate phases of the project (currently approximated at 3 phases), and includes a Phasing Plan consistent with the VTM to facilitate development of the property. The Development Agreement allows the developer to file multiple final maps in accordance with the Subdivision Map Act. A Phasing Plan and Vicinity Map is included as Attachment "B".

Aviano Farms, LLC, at its own expense will design, construct and dedicate two parks to the City. In the Phase 1 subdivision a centrally-located 4.88-acre park (Parcel "P") is proposed. In the Phase 2 subdivision a 1.92-acre park (Parcel "L") is proposed along the northern boundary which will connect to and expand the existing Chaparral Park. On June 9, 2016 the Parks and Recreation Commission recommended approval of the Aviano parks and trails conceptual plans to the City Council.

Per Resolution No. 2015/68, Condition of Approval #D.29, design and construction of Parcel "L" Park shall be completed prior to issuance of the 188th and 225th building permits, respectively. Similarly, per Condition of Approval #D.30, design and construction of Parcel "P" Park shall be completed prior to issuance of the 282nd and 319th building permits, respectively. Per Conditions of Approval #F.2 and #F.5, both parks shall be maintained by a Street Light and Landscape Maintenance District.

The proposed parks total 6.8 acres, an amount less than the 8.0 acres of park land dedication required by the Subdivision Ordinance (AMC §9-4.1004). However, Development Agreement Section 2.9 states that "the City shall take into consideration Aviano Farms' construction and dedication of the Parcel "L" Park, Trail Improvements and Park "P" Park (and other applicable park/landscaped areas) in determining credits against the park fees applicable to the Project." The City Engineer has determined that trail improvements and other applicable park/landscaped areas are enough to eliminate payment of remaining park-in-lieu fees.

In summary, staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission adopt the resolution approving park-in-lieu fee credit for Aviano Phases 1, 2 and 3: Subdivisions 9249, 9449 and 9489 (PW 676-1, 676-2 and 676-3).

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Resolution
- B. Phasing Plan & Vicinity Map

ATTACHMENT A

RESOLUTION NO. 2019/**

RESOLUTION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ANTIOCH RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF PARK-IN-LIEU FEE CREDIT FOR AVIANO PHASES 1, 2 AND 3: SUBDIVISIONS 9249, 9449 and 9489 (PW 676-1, 676-2 and 676-3)

WHEREAS, the applicant, Aviano Farms, LLC, requests approval of park-in-lieu fee credit for Aviano Phases 1, 2 and 3: Subdivisions 9249, 9449 and 9489 (PW 676-1, 676-2 and 676-3); and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2015 the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2015/68 approving the Vesting Tentative Map/Final Development Plan and Use Permit for the Aviano Farms project; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2015 the City Council adopted Ordinance 2017-C-S approving a Development Agreement between the City of Antioch and Aviano Farms, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the vesting tentative map (VTM) allows the developer to employ multiple (phased) final maps, creating separate phases of the project (currently approximated at 3 phases), and includes a Phasing Plan consistent with the VTM to facilitate development of the property; and

WHEREAS, Aviano Farms, LLC, at its own expense will design, construct and dedicate two parks to the City: a centrally-located 4.88-acre park (Parcel "P") in the Phase 1 subdivision and a 1.92-acre park (Parcel "L") along the northern boundary in the Phase 2 subdivision which will connect to and expand the existing Chaparral Park; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution No. 2015/68, Condition of Approval #F.2 and #F.5, both parks shall be maintained by a Street Light and Landscape Maintenance District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed parks total 6.8 acres, an amount less than the 8.0 acres of park land dedication required by the Subdivision Ordinance (AMC §9-4.1004); and

WHEREAS, Development Agreement Section 2.9 states that "the City shall take into consideration Aviano Farms' construction and dedication of the Parcel "L" Park, Trail Improvements and Park "P" Park (and other applicable park/landscaped areas) in determining credits against the park fees applicable to the Project."; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has determined that trail improvements and other applicable park/landscaped areas are enough to eliminate payment of remaining park-in-lieu fees;

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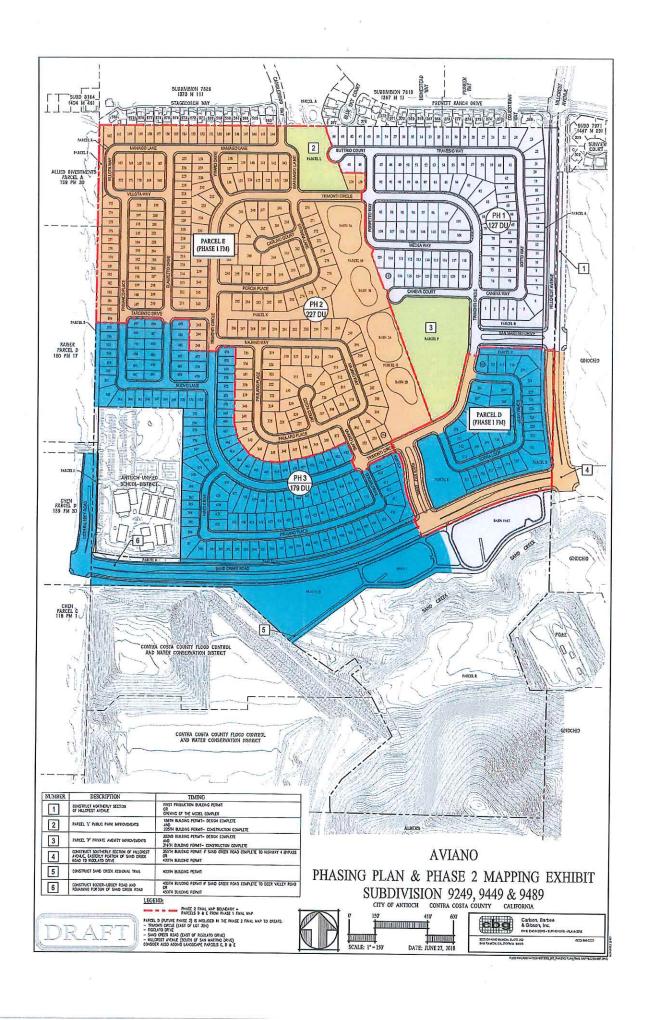
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Antioch, acting as the City's PBAC, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 15th day of August, 2019 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

NANCY KAISER CLERK TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION





STAFF REPORT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

DATE:

Regular Meeting of August 15, 2019

TO:

Parks and Recreation Commission

SUBMITTED BY:

Nancy Kaiser, Parks and Recreation Director Languages

SUBJECT:

Review and Approve Policy for Naming and Renaming of Parks,

Recreation Features, or Public Spaces

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission review and approve a policy for naming and renaming parks, recreation features or public spaces and recommend approval to the City Council.

Discussion

The purpose of a Policy for naming parks, recreation features and public spaces is to establish a guideline for the naming of community assets and to provide the guideline for members of the public interested in participating in naming. The use of names based upon distinguishing characteristics, location, history or historical usage is a long-standing practice for the official naming of public sites and facilities. The U.S. Board on Geographic Names oversees the naming of federal sites and many agencies adopt policies that are generally similar to those of the Board on Geographic Names.

Attached for review is the complete Draft Policy for Naming and Renaming of Parks, Recreation Features, or Public Spaces (Naming Policy). The following information outlines key elements of the Naming Policy.

It is the policy of the City to name park, recreation features, or public spaces in a manner that will provide an easy and recognizable reference for the City's customers. Therefore, first priority in naming shall be given to geographical location. New names must be noticeably different than all existing names to avoid duplication or confusion.

Although first priority in naming shall be given to geographical location, park/recreation features/public spaces could fall into one of the following categories: geographic, historic or indigenous, natural features, person or community group. Features of parks may be named separately from the entire park as long as the name complies with the general naming requirements. For example, Antioch Community Park includes the Worth Shaw Sports Complex.

Requirements for naming a park/recreation features/public space after an individual or community group shall include the following requirements.

- Must have made a significant contribution to the park(s), recreation department, or community as a whole; improving the quality of life in Antioch.

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- May not be named after an individual while still alive.
- Should have had a direct and long-term association with the park/recreation feature or public space.
- May result as a stipulation of a donation of land or significant monetary contribution.

Names for parks/recreation features/public spaces shall not be overly long or difficult to pronounce, and names that are derogatory or highly offensive shall not be used regardless of how long the name has been informally established.

Public participation in naming parks/recreation features/public spaces is encouraged. Recommendations should be submitted to the Recreation Department in writing. Nominations that are found to be in compliance with the Policy will be forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and recommendation. The Parks and Recreation Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council based upon their review of the nominations.

Attached for review is the final draft policy. Staff recommends review and approval and final recommendation to City Council.

Attachments

A. Draft Policy for Naming and Renaming of Parks, Recreation Features, or Public Spaces (Naming Policy)

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POLICY FOR NAMING AND RENAMING OF PARKS, RECREATION FEATURES, OR PUBLIC SPACES (NAMING POLICY)

Recreation and Park Programs & Services



City of Antioch
Draft August 2019



Antioch Recreation Department

Polices & Procedures

POLICY FOR NAMING AND RENAMING OF PARKS, RECREATION FEATURES, OR PUBLIC SPACES (NAMING POLICY)

Overview

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- May not be named after an individual while still alive.
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- May result as a stipulation of a donation of land or significant monetary contribution.

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Antioch Recreation Department

Polices & Procedures

General Policy

- It is the policy of the City to name park, recreation facilities or public spaces in a manner that will provide an easy and recognizable reference for the City's customers. Therefore, first priority in naming facilities shall be given to geographical location.
- The geographic location may be based on the identification of the facility with a specific place, neighborhood, major street, or regional area of the City.
- Facilities may also be named based on distinguishing, prominent, natural or geological features.
- Names in common or historical usage have a secondary priority.
- Names that honor a person or community that has made a distinct and significant contribution to the City of Antioch will be considered in accordance with the documentation of contributions of the person or group being honored. Individuals will not be recognized while still living. For example, Worth Shaw Sports Complex is named after the first Recreation Director – Worth Shaw.
- Persons, families, and organizations that are considered early or long-time Antioch settlers (more than 50 years) should have had a direct and long-term association with the land, feature or facility. For example, Prewett Community Park is named after the ranching family that owned the land; they were instrumental in educational efforts within the community and region.
- Naming that is done in exchange for contributions and partnerships will be considered in accordance with the agreement approved by City Council. For example, Chichibu Park recognizes the historical relationship with Antioch's Sister City – Chichibu, Japan.
- Names that are derogatory or offensive to a particular racial or ethnic group, gender or religious group may not be used.
- Conditions of property donation or deed shall be honored regarding name of facility, although a geographic or characteristic name is preferred.
- Recreation Features in parks and public spaces may be named separately from the whole as long as the name complies with the general policy.
- Names that are similar to existing park or recreation facilities or properties in the Antioch area should be avoided in order to minimize confusion.
- Residents are encouraged to participate in the naming process; all
 recommendations will be submitted to the Parks and Recreation Director in writing
 with documentation and demonstration of the outstanding achievements,
 contributions to the community, and enrichment for all residents.
- Recommendations for naming will be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission and if approved, submitted to City Council for final consideration.
- All decisions with respect to the naming of parks, recreation features and public spaces will be at the final discretion of the City Council, which may choose not to grant any naming or recognition.