

1 **ORDINANCE NO. _____**

2 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 14-1 RELATING TO**
3 **THE NAMING OR RENAMING OF PARK FACILITIES.**

4 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

5 **PART 1.** Section 14-1-31 (*Definitions*) of the City Code is amended to read:

6 **§ 14-1-31 DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this article:

8 (1) FACILITY includes a City building, structure, park, pool, playground, or other
9 facility directly used by the public, excluding a police facility under Section 14-1-
10 35 (*Procedure for Naming a Police Facility*).

11 (2) DIRECTOR means:

12 (a) the director of the Public Works Department; or

13 (b) if a duty relates to the naming or renaming of a [~~park, pool, playground, or~~]
14 park facility, the director of the Parks and Recreation Department.

15 (3) PARK FACILITY means a facility operated or maintained by the Parks and
16 Recreation Department.

17 **PART 2.** City Code Section 14-1-32 (*Naming Policy*) is amended to add a new
18 Subsection (E) to read:

19 **§ 14-1-32 NAMING POLICY.**

20 (E) In addition to the other requirements of this Article, naming or renaming a park
21 facility must also comply with the requirements of Section 14-1-36 (*Additional*
22 *Requirements for Naming or Renaming Park Facility*).

23 **PART 3.** Chapter 14-1 (*Dedication of or Naming of a Public Facility or Property*) of the
24 City Code is amended to add a new Section 14-1-36 to read:

25 **§ 14-1-36 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NAMING OR RENAMING**
26 **PARK FACILITY.**

27 (A) A park facility may be named or renamed for:

- (1) a person or group that deeds the land for the park facility;
 - (2) a person or group that contributes the anticipated cost of the development of the park facility;
 - (3) a person or group that provides an endowment for the anticipated 20-year maintenance costs of the park facility; or
 - (4) a person or subject of community significance including a historic figure; an event or concept; a local, state, or national leader; or an individual or group that has made exceptional contributions to the betterment of the community or the park system.
- (B) Suggestions made on the basis of community significance shall be accompanied by the following:
- (1) for park facilities less than 2 acres in size, the lesser of 200 signatures representing households within a 0.25-mile radius of the park facility or signatures representing at least 75% of the households within a 0.25-mile radius of the park facility;
 - (2) for park facilities from 2 to 30 acres in size, the lesser of 200 signatures representing households within a 0.50-mile radius of the park facility or signatures representing at least 75% of the households within a 0.50-mile radius of the park facility;
 - (3) for recreation centers and park facilities greater than 30 acres and up to 200 acres in size, the lesser of 600 signatures representing households within a 2-mile radius of the park facility or signatures representing at least 75% of the households within a 2-mile radius of the park facility; or
 - (4) for greenbelts and park facilities greater than 200 acres in size, 1,000 signatures representing households within the city limits.
- (C) In order to be counted under this section, a signature must be accompanied by the legible name and address of the signator.
- (D) The director of the Parks and Recreation Department, with the assistance of the Parks and Recreation Board, shall determine if there are naming opportunities for components, such as rooms or other amenities, within a park facility. The naming of components within a park facility shall be an administrative function of the director.
- (E) The council may by resolution establish different criteria and procedures for the naming of a particular park facility. If a park facility is partially funded by another entity, the council shall consider that entity's concerns in naming the facility.

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