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Motion Sheet for Item # 21

Late Backup

City Council Meeting

~~February 25, 2016~~

March 24

AMENDMENT

I move to amend the proposed ordinance to add the following, all other provisions to remain the same:

§ 14-1-37 PARK NAMING POLICY.

- (A) Subject to a valid agreement governing the naming of a park facility or park feature, a park feature in a park facility may be dedicated to an individual or group to recognize a culturally significant contribution, other valuable contribution, or creditable service to the park system or the community without naming or renaming the park facility in which the feature is located. A plaque recognizing a deserving individual or group may be placed by the park feature without naming or renaming the park facility in which the plaque is placed. Additional plaques recognizing other individuals or groups may be placed at the same feature location. Each plaque may be removed only when the park feature is removed and repurposed into another park feature. Naming a park feature can be done administratively without City Council approval.
- (B) A park facility may be named for:
- (1) an individual who has provided a valuable contribution and creditable service to the park system and the City; [or]
 - (2) an individual or entity that deeds the land to the City for a park facility, contributes the estimated cost of at least 50% of the development of the park facility, and provides an endowment for the estimated 20-year maintenance costs of the park facility as estimated by the director[-]; or
 - (3) an individual or entity that has provided a culturally significant contribution to the surrounding area or community in which the facility exists.

§ 14-1-38 - PROCEDURE FOR NAMING A FEATURE.

- (A) A person may submit a nomination for naming a park feature or endorse a previously submitted nomination. A nomination or endorsement must be submitted to the director as provided by this section. The director may promulgate forms for this purpose.
- (B) A nomination for naming a feature must include:
 - (1) if the nomination is an individual's name, a biographical sketch of the individual whose name is nominated, their valuable contribution or creditable service to the park system or the community, including their involvement, and the individual's connection, if any, to the park feature or to the activity for which the park feature will be used; [or]
 - (2) if the nomination is not an individual's name, justification for the suggested name[-] ; or
 - (3) if the basis of the nomination is a culturally significant contribution, a description of the cultural, geographic, or historic significance to the surrounding area or community in which the feature exists.
- (C) the director may notify the Parks and Recreation Board that the director finds that the nomination has appropriate justification to name the park feature for the person or for the entity.

§ 14-1-39 - PROCEDURE FOR NAMING OR RENAMING A FACILITY.

- (A) A person may submit a nomination for naming or renaming a facility or endorse a previously submitted nomination. A nomination or endorsement must be submitted to the director as provided by this section. The director may promulgate forms for this purpose.
- (B) A nomination for naming or renaming a facility must include:
 - (1) if the nomination is an individual's name, a biographical sketch of the individual whose name is suggested, their valuable contribution or creditable service to the park system or the community. This sketch should include the person's involvement, and connection, if

any, to the park facility or to the activity for which the park facility will be used;

(2) if the suggestion is not an individual's name, justification for the suggested name-[] ; or

(3) if the basis of the nomination is a culturally significant contribution, a description of the cultural, geographic, or historic significance to the surrounding area or community in which the facility exists.

(C) Not later than the date construction of a new facility begins, the director shall notify the council, the city manager, the Parks and Recreation Board, and the City's public information officer that a new facility is to be named.

(D) To promote community engagement and input from the stakeholders in the geographic area surrounding the facility prior to referral to the Parks and Recreation Board, immediately on receipt of notice from the director, the City's public information officer shall take reasonable steps to inform persons who are likely to have an interest in the naming of the facility. The public information officer shall consider the nature and location of the facility and whether a particular community is likely to be especially interested in the process, and disseminate the information to reach those communities. Information disseminated under this subsection shall include a statement of the deadline for submitting nominations.