



Item From Council
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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Posting Language: Approve a resolution to name the pavilion at the Givens Recreation Center for Martin Banks.

Proposed meeting date: THU 11/03/2005

Sponsor: Council Member Raul Alvarez

Co-sponsor 1: Mayor Pro Tem Danny Thomas **Co-sponsor 2:**

Date by which the City Manager is requested to report back to Council:

Draft Resolution/Ordinance attached:

RESOLUTION NO. 20051117-

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

WHEREAS, Martin Banks was a legendary trumpet player who was born in Austin, Texas on June 21, 1936; and

WHEREAS, Martin Banks came from a musical family that included his father (a trombone player), his aunt (a piano and voice teacher) and two uncles (one who played trumpet and one who played trombone); and

WHEREAS, Martin Banks attended Old Anderson High School and played in the school band under the direction of Mr. B.L. Joyce, like his father and so many other legendary Austin musicians; and

WHEREAS, Martin Banks developed an interest in jazz listening to the Dr. Hepcap radio show and to the news and musical interludes at the Harlem Theater; and

WHEREAS, Martin Banks moved from Austin to California in 1953 after finishing high school to study music and to launch his musical career; and

WHEREAS, Martin Banks performed and/or recorded with many great jazz, blues and rhythm & blues artists such as Ray Charles, Duke Ellington,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The Austin City Council names the pavilion at Givens Park and Recreation Center for Martin Banks, a true Austin legend.

This resolution furnishes the criteria and procedures for the naming of the facility authorized by Section 14-1-33(I) of the City Code.

ADOPTED: November 17, 2005

ATTEST: _____

Shirley A. Brown
City Clerk