#### HISTORIC AND DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

July 21, 2021

**HDRC CASE NO:** 2021-347

ADDRESS: 1135 SHADWELL

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** NCB 8388 BLK 17 LOT P-100 SUTTON PARK

**ZONING:** R-4 CITY COUNCIL DIST.: 7

**APPLICANT:** Desiree Salmon/City of San Antonio

**OWNER:** CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

**60-DAY REVIEW:** Not applicable due to City Council Emergency Orders

**CASE MANAGER:** Rachel Rettaliata

**REQUEST:** 

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to:

1. Install a memorial plaque at the base of a proposed tree.

2. Install a commemorative plaque on a newly installed park bench.

#### **APPLICABLE CITATIONS:**

Sec. 35-645. - Signs and Billboards on Public Property or Right-of-Way.

(a) General Provisions. All non-regulatory signage on public property, on the public right-of-way, or overhanging the public right-of-way shall conform to all city codes and must be approved by the historic preservation officer prior to installation. Permits must be obtained following approval of the application. The historic preservation officer may submit an application under this section to the historic and design review commission for their recommendation prior to approving, denying, or approving with conditions the application. Memorials, markers, naming rights of public property, and recognition of charitable donations given to the City of San Antonio shall be additionally governed by existing policies for memorials and markers and/or any formal action passed by city council. Temporary displays approved by the department exercising control of the public property are authorized if in accordance with chapter 28 of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas.

#### **FINDINGS:**

- a. The property located at 1135 Shadwell is commonly known as Sutton Park. Sutton Park is located on the north side of Shadwell Drive, northwest of downtown. The Park is currently under development as part of the second phase of improvements for Sutton Park. The applicant is requesting approval to install 2 adorned bronze plaques.
- b. COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE The applicant is requesting approval to install an adorned bronze commemorative plaque. The proposed plaque will be installed on the back of a newly installed park bench in Shadwell Park to honor Bert Guerrero, a neighbor and steward of the parcel before the City Park was established and the former Donaldson Terrace Neighborhood Association President. The plaque will read, "In Honor of Neighbor Humberto "Bert" Guerrero and His Relentless Pursuit to Make this a Public Park". The bench and plaque will be located at the southwest corner of the park playground. The proposed plaque is in accordance with UDC Section 35-645 and is appropriate.
- c. MEMORIAL PLAQUE The applicant is requesting approval to install an adorned bronze memorial plaque. The memorial plaque is proposed to honor the memory of Steven Cerna, Jr. The plaque will read "In Loving Memory of Steven Cerna, Jr. 12-26-1993 to 02-20-2015 A Life Remembered and Loved by Family and Friends." The proposed plaque will be mounted to a concrete pedestal and placed at ground level, located at the base of a new specimen tree adjacent to the VIA bus stop on Shadwell Drive. The proposed plaque is in accordance with UDC Section 35-645 and is appropriate.

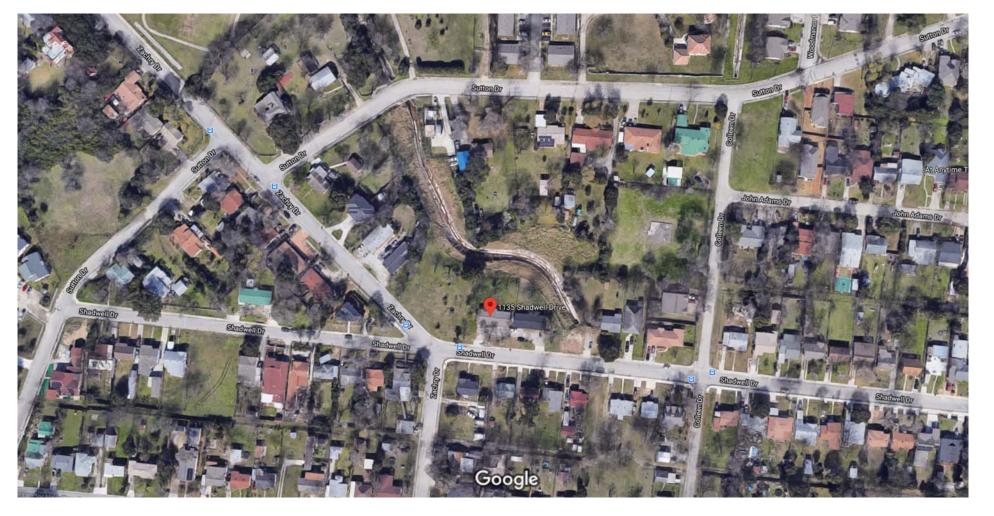
#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of items 1 and 2 based on findings a though c.

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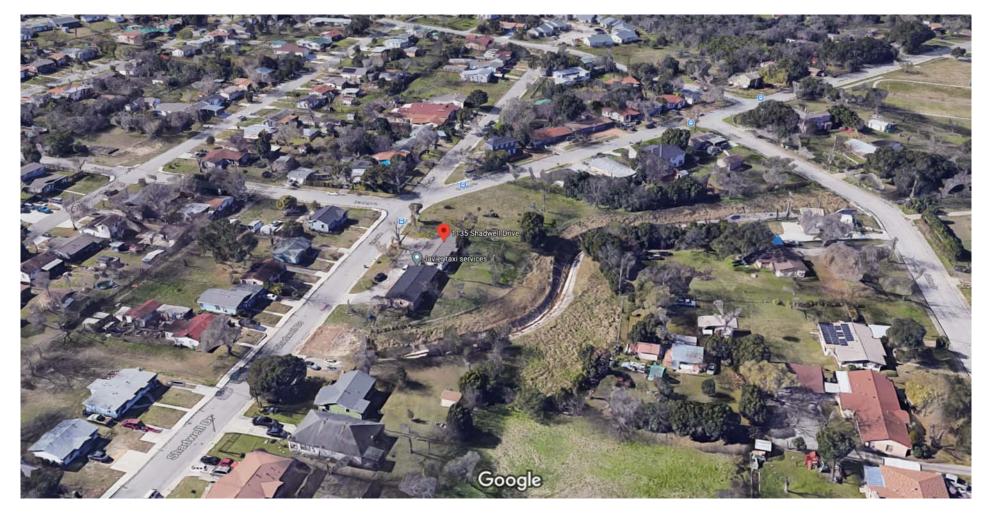
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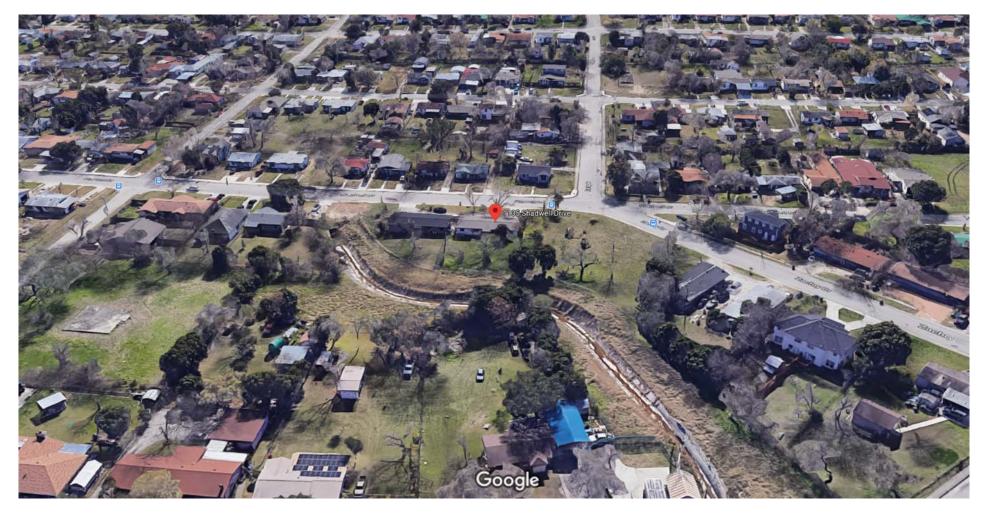
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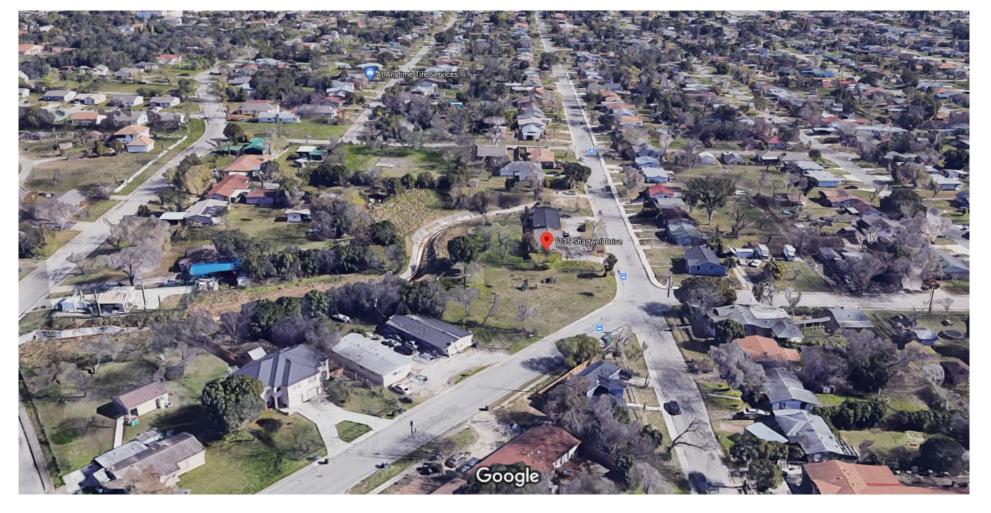
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# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO Shadwell Park 1135 Shadwell Dr.

Proposal to provide within the park:

- (1) A Memorial Plaque and a
- (2) A Plaque to honor the services of neighbor.



# Background

Shadwell Park is a new neighborhood park located at 1135 Shadwell Drive. Prior to 2019 this park was an extension parcel to the stormwater drainage area east of the park carrying an address of 942 Sutton Drive; both this parcel and the drainage ditch are owned by the City. The Public Works Department maintains the drainage ditch and Parks and Recreation Department now maintains the park. Park names prior to Shadwell Park: Sutton Park and Pocket Park.





942 Sutton Drive and the original park address



1135 Shadwell Drive and the new park address

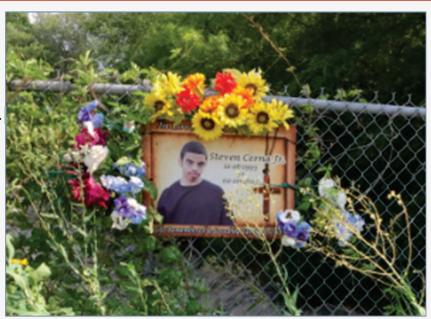
### 1. Scope of Work – Cerna Memorial

#### Memorializing Steven Cerna Jr.'s life

A makeshift memorial exists for Steven Cerna, Jr, at a maintenance gate to the drainage area along Shadwell, several parcels to the east of the park parcel. This young neighbor lost his life in the drainage area behind the park. During the first site visit with City Council Staff, staff requested a beautification of the area which became expressed in concept at the first public meeting August 12, 2019, as the 'memorial plaque for Steven Cerna, Jr.'. This memorial was expressed without location or design. There were no issues or comments about the memorial.



An example of a zinc etched plaque.

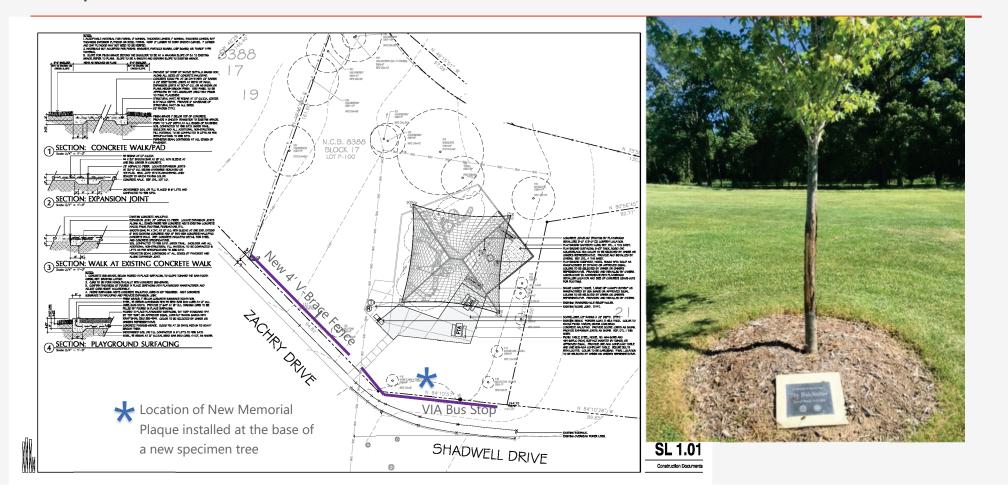


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# Existing makeshift Cerna Memorial



# Proposed Cerna Memorial



## 2. Scope of Work- Honoring Neighbor Bert Guererro

#### Honoring Bert's dedication to the Park

Neighbors have expressed their desire to honor Humberto Berto Guerrero 'Bert' for his dream and persistence in making this parcel a neighborhood park. It was mentioned at the second public meeting that Bert's name be included in the renaming of the park.

Council Staff requested he be honored for his dedication and service with a plaque at the park. The Design Team included a placeholder for a **plaque** on the bench. Public Works reached out to Bert in May, 2021 and received his blessing to place his name on a bench plaque. This effort requires the approval of Parks and Recreation to finalize.

# Proposed Guerrero Bench Plaque



An example of a zinc etched plaque.

In Honor of Neighbor **Humberto "Bert" Guerrero**and His Relentless Pursuit
to Make this a Public Park



The bench has a placeholder for the plaque.

# Proposed Guerrero Bench Plaque

