

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Xavier D. Urrutia

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 1

SUBJECT:

Naming Walking Trail within Olmos Basin Park to the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Community Walking Trail

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the naming of the walking trail within Olmos Basin Park located at 101 Jackson Keller Road to the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Community Walking Trail in Council District 1.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Erik Sanden submitted a request on behalf of the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Neighborhood Association to name the walking trail within Olmos Basin Park to the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Community Walking Trail located at 101 Jackson Keller to reduce confusion. Olmos Basin Park has multiple walking trails and there are often misunderstandings where trails are located in the park.

The naming of this trail would also be a way to recognize the integral role the neighborhood has played in the formation of its recent improvements. The neighborhood consists of over 5,200 homes and the walking trail is the only trail completely within the boundaries of the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview neighborhood. The naming would give an increased sense of ownership, responsibility and pride in the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview neighborhood.

Staff followed the naming process in accordance with Ordinance No. 2011-03-31-0239. A committee was established to hold a public hearing on this proposal. The committee consisted of Larry Finkel, Community Representative selected by Councilman Roberto C. Treviño, District 1 and Xavier D. Urrutia, Director of the

Parks and Recreation Department. Notice of the public hearing was advertised twice in the San Antonio Express-News and The Rivard Report. It was also posted on the City of San Antonio Parks and Recreation website and a media release was distributed. Direct notification was mailed to eighty-nine (89) residents and businesses within 400 feet of this public park. The Department received one hundred and two (102) notices in favor of the proposed naming and one in opposition by mail.

The public hearing was held on Thursday, December 3, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament Family Center. Seventeen (17) members of the public attended the public hearing and all supported the naming.

After public input was received on the proposed name, the committee concurred to recommend to the City Council that the naming of the walking trail within Olmos Basin Park located at 101 Jackson Keller Road to the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Community Walking Trail.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the naming of the walking trail within Olmos Basin Park located at 101 Jackson Keller Road to the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Community Walking Trail. This action is consistent with the City's policy to clarify the location or geographical area.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council may elect not to name the walking trail within Olmos Basin Park located at 101 Jackson Keller Road to the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Community Walking Trail and allow it to be unnamed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no additional General Fund impact from this action.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the naming of the walking trail within Olmos Basin Park located at 101 Jackson Keller Road to the Shearer Hills/Ridgeview Community Walking Trail.