

Park Naming & Memorials Committee
Friday, July 12, 2024
2:00 PM - Regular Meeting
MEETING SUMMARY



Civic Center-City Hall
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
Room B-8, Lower Level

Community & Library Services Liaisons

ASHLEY WYSOCKI, Director
CHRIS COLE, Manager Facilities & Development
CHARLENE GOMEZ, Sr. Administrative Asst.

Committee Members

LISA-LANE BARNES, Committee Chair
LAURA COSTELLOE, Commissioner
LOLLY MCHARDY, Commissioner

CALL TO ORDER – Committee Chair Barnes called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm, at which time a quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGENCE – Led by resident, Amory Hanson

ROLL CALL: Barnes, Costelloe, McHardy, all present. Staff: Cole, Gomez

WRITTEN & SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS – Gomez announced that all supplemental communications were provided in the Committee’s agenda packet.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Amory Hanson spoke in support of naming the proposed area the Nature Plaque.

Steve Engel spoke in support of naming the area the Huntington Central Park Nature Plateau. Mr. Engel also thanked the Committee and staff for their efforts.

PROJECT – Potential Naming of the area in Huntington Central Park, fondly referred to as the “Nature Plateau”.

The Committee met on June 28, 2024, to review the opportunity of naming an area in Central Park. The Committee heard from public speaker, reviewed the park naming criteria in Resolution 2017-25, received the list of previous Mayors who are eligible for naming opportunities, and reviewed public survey information available at the time of the meeting. After the initial review of information, the Committee convene to await further input via the public survey, which would remain open until Monday, July 8, 2024.

After closing of the survey, a tally was created showing that 163 unique surveys were received with a total of 167 names submitted (a couple submitted more than one name). Of those names submitted, 15 did not qualify due to already having a facility or area named for them, while the remaining names including only 3 with more than one vote. The overwhelming majority of public responses requested that the area be named the “Huntington Central Park Nature Platea” or some variation of “The Nature Plateau.” After some discussion, the Committee felt that “Huntington Central Park Nature Plateau” should be forwarded to Commission for the naming opportunity.

MOTION: Commissioner Costelloe moved to forward the name, “Huntington Central Park

Nature Plateau” to the Community & Library Services Commission for formal recommendation to City Council for final approval.

All in favor (3-0: Barnes, Costelloe, McHardy)

ADJOURNMENT – With no further discussion, the Committee adjourned at 2:16 pm.