

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



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

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGENCE

ROLL CALL: Barnes, Costelloe, McHardy

WRITTEN & SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS – Announcement of written communications received from the public for distribution to the Committee, including any supplemental communications received after the distribution of the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – The Park Naming and Memorials Committee welcomes public comments on all items on this agenda or of community interest. Three minutes per person, time may not be donated to others. We respectfully request that this public forum be utilized in a positive and constructive manner. Please focus your comments on the issue or concern that you would like to bring to the attention of Committee. On this date, the Committee can take no action on any item not on the agenda.

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

The City sought public input on naming a section of Central Park, fondly referred to as “**The Nature Plateau**”. As customary, to assist the Committee in researching potential names, staff provided Committee with a list of past Mayors at the June 28, 2024, meeting, and public comments were heard. Additionally, staff created a survey with a QR code that was posted at the proposed site and through the City’s social media platforms. The survey closed on Monday, July 8, 2024.

The Committee was provided with full data from the survey. In summary, the results included 163 participants with 167 names suggested. Of these names, 15 did not qualify due to the fact that the names have already be utilized in the naming of a park or a space within a park, which is against the criteria in Resolution 2017-25. Removing the disqualified names, only 3 names remained with more than one recommendation, of which an overwhelming majority suggesting “Huntington Central Park Nature Plateau.”

At this meeting, the Committee shall once again hear public comment and review naming options in accordance with the Resolution.

Recommended Action:

Review all naming options in accordance with Resolution 2017-25, bringing forward a name recommendation for review and consideration to the Community & Library Services Commission for their recommendation to City Council for final approval.

Alternative Action:

Do not make a recommendation and direct staff accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution 2017-25
2. Past Mayor's List
3. Public Survey Information

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RESOLUTION NO. 2017-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH ESTABLISHING A POLICY
FOR THE NAMING OF CITY PARKS, PARK FEATURES AND
COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND REPEALING CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, it is desirable that appropriate names be chosen when naming City parks, park features and community facilities which in some instances recognizes donations of furniture and/or park play equipment and other amenities, and that a policy be adopted by the City Council to accomplish this purpose,

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach does hereby resolve as follows:

1. That the policies contained in this Resolution shall be instituted for the naming of the City's parks, park features and community facilities, and in some cases will recognize donations of furniture and park/play equipment and other amenities.
2. That parks adjacent to schools be named the same as the school.
3. That if an entire park or sizable portion of a park which is not adjacent to a school is donated by an individual or family, it may be named after the donor.
4. That if the park is neither adjacent to a school nor donated, all or in part, it may be named after past Huntington Beach mayors who are no longer members of the City Council ("Former Mayors"). In addition, other individuals, including past council members, (or other names) may be proposed. The names of these persons may be considered when their unique contributions have had a City, state or national impact, are marked by excellence and are worthy of honor.
5. That in addition to parks, other community facilities such as lakes, park features of Huntington Central Park, structures (other than restrooms and benches), groves of trees, walkways, playing fields, group camp and picnic sites, gardens, play equipment areas, meadows, amphitheaters, vistas, bridges and wildlife refuges may be named after former mayors to honor them for their service to the City. In addition, other individuals, including past council members, may be proposed when their unique contributions have had a City, state or national impact, are marked by excellence and are worthy of honor. In addition, other individuals or other names may be proposed.
6. That if a park, park feature or other community facility is to be named based on a finding of historical significance, in addition to review by the Community Services Commission, the City of Huntington Beach Historic Resources Board will be consulted prior to a recommendation from the Community Services Commission to City Council.

7. That if park or pier furniture such as picnic tables, benches, trash cans, or play equipment is donated by an individual, civic organization, family or business, the donor may receive recognition by having the name of a person, family or business placed on the donation. For example, if a donation in memory of a relative were given to the City for a pier bench, the following guidelines would apply when naming the bench: The name only, including the year; in honor of (individual's name), including the year; in memory of (individual's name), including the year.

Another example if a donation were made for a modular piece of play equipment or a park bench from a company with the bench placed immediately adjacent to a new tot lot with the inscription "This tot lot is donated to the City of Huntington Beach by _____ Company."

8. That if a business or other entity offers to pay the City in exchange for the City naming a facility or park after the business, then the City may enter into an agreement for the same. The agreement must be prepared by the City Attorney and approved by the City Council.

9. That only one park, park feature or community facility shall be named for an individual.

10. That all recommendations for park/pier memorial naming be processed through the Community Services Commission which shall make a recommendation to the City Council for final approval or denial. City Council retains all authority to name a park, park features and community facilities without returning to the Community Services Commission.

11. That Resolution No. 2004-90 and all other resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach at a regular meeting thereof held on the 7TH day of AUGUST, 2017.



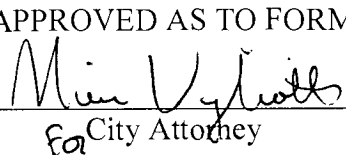
Mayor

REVIEW AND APPROVED:




City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Attorney

INITIATED AND APPROVED:




Director of Community Services

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss:
CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH)

I, ROBIN ESTANISLAU the duly elected, qualified City Clerk of the City of Huntington Beach, and ex-officio Clerk of the City Council of said City, do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach is seven; that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all the members of said City Council at a **Regular** meeting thereof held on **August 7, 2017** by the following vote:

AYES: O'Connell, Semeta, Posey, Delgleize, Hardy, Brenden, Peterson
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSE: None



City Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the
City Council of the City of
Huntington Beach, California

PARKS NAMING AND MEMORIALS COMMITTEE
Master Mayor Term and Park Recognition List

6/25/2024

NAME	Last	DATES AS MAYOR	COMMENTS	YOB	DECEASED	PARK NAMED	DATES ON COUNCIL
Past Mayors							
1	Ed Manning	Manning	02/18/1909	Resigned		Yes	Yes President of the Board 02/18/1909 - 11/20/1912
2	W.D. Seely	Seely	04/15/1912			Yes	Yes 04/18/1910 - 04/11/1914
3	E.E. French	French	04/06/1914			Yes	Yes 04/11/1914 - 04/24/1916
4	M.E. Helme	Helme	04/17/1916	Resigned		Yes	Yes 0/18/1909 - 05/14/1917
5	W.E. Tarbox	Tarbox	05/07/1917			Yes	Yes 04/27/1914 - 04/08/1918
6	E.E. French	French	04/15/1918	Resigned		Yes	Yes 04/8/1918 - 02/17/1919
7	Joseph Vavra	Vavra	02/17/1919	Replaced Helme		Yes	No 05/14/1917 - 04/1920
8	Ed Manning	Manning	04/19/1920	Replaced French		Yes	Yes 02/17/1919 - 04/1922
9	Richard Drew	Drew	04/03/1922			Yes	Yes 04/8/1918 - 04/1926
10	Lawrence R. Ridenour	Ridenour	04/21/1924	Resigned		Yes	No 04/1924 - 10/25/1926
11	* C.G. Boster	Boster	04/19/1926			Yes	Yes 04/1924 - 04/1928
12	Samuel R. Bowen	Bowen	04/16/1928	Resigned Mayor		Yes	No 04/1928 - 04/1931
13	Elson G. Conrad	Conrad	04/14/1931	Resigned		Yes	Yes 04/1928 - 04/1934
14	Thomas B. Talbert	Talbert	04/1934 - 04/1936	Special Election	1879	Yes	Yes 11/13/1933
15	Willis H. Warner	Warner	04/20/1936			Yes	No 04/1934 - 04/1938
16	Marcus M. McCallen	McCallen	04/18/1938		1902	Yes	Yes 04/1938 - 04/1942
17	Thomas B. Talbert	Talbert	04/1942 - 04/1944		1879	Yes	Yes 04/1942 - 04/1954
18	* Ted W. Bartlett	Bartlett	04/15/1946		1902	Yes	Yes 04/1944 - 04/1948, 04/1954 - 04/1958, 04/1966 - 04/1978
19	Jack Greer	Greer	04/19/1948		1892	Yes	Yes 04/1948 - 04/1952
20	Vernon E. Langenbeck	Langenbeck	04/17/1950	Resigned		Yes	Yes 04/1946 - 07/1953
21	Roy Seabridge	Seabridge	04/14/1952		1904	Yes	Yes 04/1948 - 04/1956
22	Victor Terry	Terry	04/16/1956	Replaced Seabridge	1905	Yes	Yes 10/11/1954 - 05/1956
23	Earl T. Irby	Irby	04/14/1958		1902	Yes	Yes 04/1956 - 05/1960
24	Ernest H. Gistler	Gistler	04/18/1960		1905	Yes	Yes 05/1960 - 04/1968
25	Robert M. Lambert	Lambert	05/07/1962		1922	Yes	Yes 04/1958 - 04/1966
26	Donald D. Shipley	Shipley	04/27/1964		1913	Yes	Yes 04/1964 - 04/1976
27	Jake R. Stewart	Stewart	04/19/1966			Yes	No 04/1960 - 04/1968
28	Donald D. Shipley	Shipley	04/17/1967		1913	Yes	Yes 04/1964 - 04/1976
29	** Alvin M. Coen	Coen	04/16/1968		1937	No	Yes 04/1966 - 04/1978
30	N. John V.V. (Jack) Green	Green	04/21/1969		1927	Yes	Yes 04/1966 - 04/1974
31	Donald D. Shipley	Shipley	04/21/1970		1913	Yes	Yes 04/1964 - 04/1976
32	** George C. McCracken	McCracken	04/19/1971			Yes	Yes 04/1968 - 04/1972
33	** Alvin M. Coen	Coen	04/17/1972		1937	No	Yes 04/1966 - 04/1978
34	** Jerry A. Matney	Matney	04/16/1974		1932	Yes	Yes 04/1968 - 04/1976
35	** Alvin M. Coen	Coen	04/15/1973		1937	No	Yes 04/1966 - 04/1978
36	Norma Brandel Gibbs	Gibbs	04/21/1975			Yes	Yes 04/1970 - 04/1978
37	Harriett M. Weider	Weider	04/19/1976		1920	Yes	Yes 04/1974 - 04/1978
38	Ronald R. Pattinson	Pattinson	04/18/1977		1932	Yes	Yes 04/1976 - 12/1984
39	Ron Shenkman	Shenkman	04/17/1978	Resigned	1936	No	No 04/1976 - 11/20/1978
40	Ronald R. Pattinson	Pattinson	11/20/1978		1932	Yes	Yes 04/1976 - 12/1984
41	Don MacAllister	MacAllister	04/16/1979		1932	Yes	No 04/1978 - 11/1986
42	Ruth S. Bailey	Bailey	04/19/1980		1926	Yes	Yes 04/1978 - 12/1986
43	Ruth E. Finley	Finley	04/20/1981		1923	Yes	Yes 05/1979 - 12/1988
44	Robert P. Mandic, Jr.	Mandic	04/19/1982		1941	No	No 04/1978 - 11/1986
45	Don MacAllister	MacAllister	04/18/1983		1932	Yes	No 04/1978 - 11/1986
46	Jack Kelly	Kelly	11/21/1983		1920	Yes	No 04/1980 - 11/1992
47	Ruth S. Bailey	Bailey	12/03/1984		1926	Yes	Yes 04/1978 - 12/1986
48	Robert P. Mandic, Jr.	Mandic	11/18/1985		1941	No	No 04/1978 - 11/1986
49	Jack Kelly	Kelly	12/01/1986		1920	Yes	No 04/1980 - 11/1992
50	John Erskine	Erskine	11/16/1987		1951	No	No 12/1986 - 12/1990
51	Wes Bannister	Bannister	12/05/1988		1936	Yes	No 12/1986 - 12/1990
52	Thomas Mays	Mays	11/20/1989		1954	No	No 12/1986 - 12/1990
53	* Peter Green	Green	12/03/1990		1926	Yes	Yes 12/1984 - 12/1992
54	Jim Silva	Silva	12/02/1991		1944	No	No 12/1988 - 12/1992
55	Grace Winchell	Winchell	12/07/1992		1937	No	No 1986 - 1994
56	Linda Moulton-Patterson	Patterson	12/06/1993		1943	No	No 11/1990 - 11/1994
57	Victor Leipzig	Leipzig	12/05/1994		1948	No	No 12/1993 - 12/1996
58	Dave Sullivan	Sullivan	12/04/1995		1937	No	No 12/1992 - 12/2000
59	Ralph H. Bauer	Bauer	12/02/1996		1930	Yes	Yes 12/1992 - 12/2002
60	Shirley Dettloff	Dettloff	12/01/1997	Passed 4/23/24	1935	Yes	Yes 12/1994 - 12/2000
61	* Peter Green	Green	12/07/1998		1926	Yes	Yes 12/1996 - 12/2004
62	Dave Garofalo	Garofalo	12/06/1999	Resigned	1945	No	No 12/1994 - 12/2002
63	Pam Julien Houchen	Houchen	12/04/2000	Resigned	1956	No	No 12/1996 - 10/2004
64	Debbie Cook	Cook	12/03/2001		1954	No	No 12/2000 - 12/2008
65	Grace Winchell (appointed)	Winchell	02/02/2002	Replaced Garofalo	1937	No	No 2/2/2002 - 12/2/2002
66	Connie Boardman	Boardman	12/02/2002		1958	No	No 12/2002 - 12/2004
67	Cathy Green	Green	12/01/2003		1948	No	No 12/2002 - 12/2010
68	Jill Hardy	Hardy	12/06/2004		1971	No	No 12/2002 - 12/2010
69	Dave Sullivan	Sullivan	12/06/2005		1937	No	No 12/2002 - 12/2006
70	Gil Coerper	Coerper	12/04/2006		1934	Yes	No 12/2002 - 12/2010
71	Debbie Cook	Cook	12/03/2007		1954	No	No 12/2000 - 12/2008
72	Keith Bohr	Bohr	12/01/2008		1961	No	No 12/2004 - 12/2012
73	Cathy Green	Green	12/01/2009		1948	No	No 12/2002 - 12/2010
74	Joe Carchio	Carchio	12/01/2010		1941	No	No 12/2006 - 12/2014
75	Don Hansen	Hansen	12/01/2011		1972	No	No 12/2004 - 12/2012
76	Connie Boardman	Boardman	12/01/2012		1958	No	No 12/2008 - 12/2014
77	Matthew Harper	Harper	12/01/2013		1974	No	No 12/2008 - 12/2014
78	Jill Hardy	Hardy	12/01/2014		1972	No	No 12/2014 - 12/2020
79	Jim Katapodis	Katapodis	12/01/2015		1955	No	No 12/2012 - 12/2016
80	Barbara Delgleize	Delgleize	12/01/2016		1951	No	No 12/2014 - 12/2022
81	Mike Posey	Posey	12/01/2017		1959	No	No 12/2014 - 12/2022
82	Erik Peterson	Peterson	12/01/2018		1968	No	No 12/2014 - 12/2022
83	Lynn Semeta	Semeta	12/01/2019		1960	No	No 12/2016 - 12/2020
84	Kim Carr	Carr	12/01/2020		1970	No	No 12/2020 - 12/2022
85	Barbara Delgleize	Delgleize	12/01/2021		1951	No	No 12/2021 - 12/2022
86	Tony Strickland	Strickland	12/01/2022		1970	No	No 12/2022 -
87	Gracey Van Der Mark	Van Der Mar	12/01/2023		1974	No	No 12/2023 -

Park Named
Deceased
Not Deceased

* Park Recognition
** Area in Huntington Central Park Recognition

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First Name, Last Name, City, Phone, Email		
	Response Percent	Response Count
First Name	100.00%	163
Last Name	100.00%	163
City	100.00%	163
Phone	100.00%	163
Email	100.00%	163

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I would like the Park Naming & Memorials Committee to consider:		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Officially name the proposed park site the Huntington Central Park Nature Plateau.	53.99%	88
Officially name the proposed park area after a person, place or thing of significant importance to the community of Huntington Beach.	46.01%	75

*These numbers do not include those who wrote in "Nature Plateau" instead of selecting it as an option.

*The number 80 does include the write-ins as well as those who selected the option.

N/A

N/A

Huntington Central Park Nature Plateau	80	1
The Chevron Nature Plateau	1	2
Shirley Dettloff	11	3
Officer Nicholas Vetta	1	4
Chris Epting	1	5
Steve Engel/Shari Engle/Steve & Shari Engel Nature Plateau; Engels Oasis	5	6
Joan Flynn	1	7
Bill Kettler	1	8
Betty Reinertson	1	9
Patriot's Park	1	11
The Golden Bear Plateau	1	12

	Public Central Library Viewing Plateau	1	13
	Strawberry Fields, West	1	14
	Everyone's Park	1	15
	Huntington Central Park's Surf City Summit	1	16
	Name should include Huntington Beach	1	17
	Trans Rights Central Park	1	18
	Backstage Green	1	19
?	MacAllister Meadows	1	20
	100 Acre Wood (from Winnie the Pooh)	1	21
	Tongva Park Nature Preserve	1	22
	Trump Nature Plateau	1	23
	Huntington Highlands	1	24
	Central Park	1	25
N/A	Atvin M. Cohen Nature Grove	2	26
	Huntington Beach Librarians' Park	1	27
	Library Hill	1	28
	Neurta Knoll	1	29
	Talbert Terrace	1	30
	Bandstand Overlook	1	31
	Ballpark Bluff	1	32
	Picnic Playground	1	33
	Serenity Hill	1	34
	Huntington Central Park Laird Plateau	1	35
N/A	Patriot's Point	1	36
	Jay Duval (or DuVal?) Nature Plateau or Plateau Duval	20	37
	Jill Hardy Terrace	1	38
	John Muir Nature Plateau	1	39
	Green Haven	1	40
	Torrey Pines Path	1	41
	Dave Sullivan	1	42
N/A	Jack Kelly's Place	1	43
	HB Tranquility Walkabout	1	44
	Peace of Nature	1	45
	Coral's Garden	1	46
	The Shade	1	47
	Jean Nagy Meadow	1	48
	Huntington Central Park Memorial Garden	1	49

Shell Beach Nature Plateau	1	50
Pacific City Nature Plateau	1	51
The Love More Plateau	1	52
Butterfly Haven	1	53
Path of Peace Plateau	1	54
Green Peace Plateau	1	55

Total 167