

Park Naming & Memorials Committee
Wednesday, June 22, 2022
6:00 PM - Regular Meeting
AGENDA

Senior Center in Central Park
18041 Goldenwest Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
Room: EMG 1

CHRIS SLAMA, Director of Community & Library Services
ASHLEY WYSOCKI, Deputy Director of Community & Library Services
CHARLENE GOMEZ, Administrative Secretary



Rev. James Pike, Committee Chair
Patrick Burns, Committee Member
Laura Costelloe, Committee Member

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Committee: James Pike, Patrick Burns, Laura Costelloe
Staff: Chris Slama, Ashley Wysocki, Charlene Gomez

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/or 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.

COMMUNITY BUILDING LOCATED AT 1718 ORANGE AVENUE – FORMER RODGERS SENIORS’ CENTER SITE – NAMING RECOGNITION

At the May 11, 2022 Community & Library Services Commission meeting, six public comments were made and eight supplemental email communications received regarding “Naming of the Parkland at 1706 Orange Avenue.” Commissioner Pike provided a summary of the discussion that ensued at the March 22, 2022, Park Naming and Memorials Committee (Committee) Meeting. After deliberation of several proposed options, the Commission ultimately recommended to name the parkland and community building separately. A motion was made by Commissioner Costelloe to name the parkland as “17th Street Park” and the building as the “Michael E. Rodgers Clubhouse.” The motion passed with a 5-3 vote.

At the June 7, 2022 City Council meeting, a Request for City Council Action (RCA) was submitted to approve the renaming of the former Michael E. Rodgers Seniors’ Center site as recommended by the Community & Library Services Commission as 17th Street Park (for the parkland) and Michael E. Rodgers Clubhouse (for the community building). City Council approved 7-0 to formally name the parkland located at 1706 Orange Avenue as 17th Street Park. The naming of the community building located at 1718 Orange Avenue was tabled to a future City Council meeting. City Council directed staff to explore other naming options for the community building to honor veterans of the United States armed forces, in addition to evaluating recognition for Michael E. Rodgers at the Senior Center in Central Park.

Committee Discussion

1. Staff will provide a tour of the Senior Center in Central Park and provide information regarding certain rooms and spaces within the facility.
2. The Committee will deliberate regarding options for honoring Michael E. Rodgers at the Senior Center in Central Park and veterans at the community building located at 1718 Orange Avenue, within the 17th Street Park parcel.

ADJOURNMENT

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