

Switzer, Donna

From: Gomez, Charlene
Sent: Monday, June 6, 2022 9:23 AM
To: Moore, Tania; Esparza, Patty; Switzer, Donna; Estanislau, Robin
Subject: Fwd: City Council Meeting 6/7/22 Comments

Supplemental communication for tomorrow's council meeting

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From: Chris Varga <christopher.j.varga@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 6, 2022 8:37:44 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org <supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org>; Gomez, Charlene <cgomez@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: City Council Meeting 6/7/22 Comments

The following is for Public Comments for the City Council Meeting scheduled 6/7/22

Agneda Item 14: (22-486) Rodgers site naming to 17th Street Park

Huntington Beach City Council:

I would like to support the compromise as proposed on the naming of the former Rodgers Senior Center Site to use the historic name of "17th Street Park" and recognize Michael E Rodgers by naming the building on the property after him.

I just want to emphasize that the building on the property was approved as a community building that can also serve as the American Legion Post. The building was not approved as a Veteran Hall or solely as the Legion Post. Naming of the building after the Legion or Veterans would convey that it is only to be used by those organizations. The building was approved as a community facility that can be utilized by all of Huntington Beach.

I would also support naming some part of the new senior center after Michael E Rodgers. His support of Seniors is his legacy. With the City Council approval tonight to the proposed naming will be the final approval needed to complete the journey from the old Senior Center to parkland! Looking forward to the park opening!

Agenda Item 12:)22-485) Historic Resource Board

I would like to support the appointment of Catherine Johnson to the Huntington Beach Historical Resources Board (HRB). Catherine was instrumental in the support and research on the history of 17th Street Park through the years. She would be an asset to the HRB

Sincerely

Chris Varga

508 18th St

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 6/7/22

Agenda Item No.: 14(22-486)

Switzer, Donna

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Monday, June 6, 2022 9:39 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: 17th St Park naming CC Agenda item

From: Gloria Alvarez <gloria@e-mailcom.com>
Sent: Monday, June 6, 2022 9:30 AM
To: Delgleize, Barbara <Barbara.Delgleize@surfcity-hb.org>; Posey, Mike <Mike.Posey@surfcity-hb.org>; Kalmick, Dan <Dan.Kalmick@surfcity-hb.org>; Carr, Kim <Kim.Carr@surfcity-hb.org>; Peterson, Erik <Erik.Peterson@surfcity-hb.org>; Moser, Natalie <Natalie.Moser@surfcity-hb.org>; Bolton, Rhonda <Rhonda.Bolton@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: 17th St Park naming CC Agenda item

To City Council,

Attached you will find a 1934 LA Times newspaper article re 17th St Park. This is in addition to all the City Council minutes and Santa Ana Register newspaper articles previously submitted to CC in 2017 or more recently again to the CSC for review.

We ask that you vote in support of the CSC recommendation & restore the 17th St Park name to this historic parkland.

Thank you,

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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THURSDAY MORNING.

OIL NEWS

BY HOWARD KEGLEY

Seventeenth Street Park in Huntington Beach may be abandoned as a recreational center and sold as real estate. The City Council at that place is to make its decision in the matter at its next meeting. Once the park was an attractive place, but oil development in the Seventeenth-street area made it a smelly place and it gradually lost popularity.

Recently the United Realty and Finance Company tendered the city an offer of \$2500 for the square block. The offer is said to have been made on behalf of a client who wishes to use the ground as a site for an oil dehydrating plant. Some of the city officials are said to value the parcel at \$7500. It has been extensively landscaped. If the property is sold the city will retain the oil rights.

The idea of drilling rows of oil wells down the center of certain streets in Huntington Beach has been abandoned. Last year J. C. Argue leased a number of streets in the west end of the city for oil development, but the plan was opposed by property owners, as well as by the Standard Oil Company, which has wells adjacent to the streets. Argue a few days ago quit-claimed the property back to the city.

Sent from my iPhone

Switzer, Donna

From: Fran Varga <fgioia@earthlink.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 7, 2022 12:05 PM
To: Switzer, Donna
Cc: Gloria Alvarez
Subject: RE: Council Meeting 7/June/20220 - Agenda Item #14 - Council Approval of Park Naming
Attachments: 2022-06-07 Letter HB City Council - In Support of Agenda Item 14 - FAVarga.pdf

Dear Ms. Switzer,

I wish to express my **SUPPORT** to our City Council to **APPROVE** agenda Item #14, Community and Library Services Commission recommendation for renaming of former Rodgers' Senior Center site to **17th Street Park**.

Please provide the attached copy of my written statement to Mayor Delgleize and Council members.

Thank you and Best Regards,

Fran Varga

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-----Forwarded Message-----

From: Gomez, Charlene <cgomez@surfcity-hb.org>
Sent: Jun 6, 2022 12:10 PM
To: fgioia@earthlink.net <fgioia@earthlink.net>
Subject: RE: Council Approval of Park Naming

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Hi Fran,

Meeting Date: 6/7/22

Agenda Item No.: 14/22-486

Thank you for the email. Because this item is only a consent item for City Council, no individual handouts from the Committee and Commission meeting will be supplied to City Council, however, information will be included with the recommendation. If you would like to provide Council with the documents you have provided in the past, please submit them as supplemental communications to Donna Switzer at donna.switzer@surfcity-hb.org.

Hope this information is helpful.

Best to you.

Charlene

From: Fran Varga <fgioia@earthlink.net>
Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 5:03 PM
To: Gomez, Charlene <cgomez@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Re: Council Approval of Park Naming

Thank you, Charlene. Chris and I will attend the meeting. I am assuming materials from the Parks/Library Svc Commission will be provided to the Council. If not, I will resubmit and email to Council on this topic.

Have a great weekend,

Regards.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Gomez, Charlene <cgomez@surfcity-hb.org>
Sent: Jun 3, 2022 3:29 PM
Subject: Council Approval of Park Naming

Good Morning,

You are receiving this email because you showed past interest in the parkland at located at 1706 Orange Avenue (the former Rodgers Seniors' Center site).

Please note that the Community & Library Services Commission approved for recommendation to City Council the naming of the parkland as "17th Street Park" and the community building as the "Michael E. Rodgers Clubhouse". This item is scheduled for review and recommended approval by City Council at their meeting on Tuesday, June 7 2022 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers at the Civic Center. If you wish to attend the meeting or provide comments, please see the City Council agenda for details: <https://huntingtonbeach.legistar.com/DepartmentDetail.aspx?ID=36680&GUID=BEFA9BEC-D352-4133-B594-8F0E324DF248>. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person, so please plan accordingly.

Again, thank you for your interest in this item and assisting the City in making the decision that benefit our community.

Respectfully,

Charlene Gomez

Administrative Secretary

Community & Library Services

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07/June/2022

City of Huntington Beach - City Council

**Regarding: Agenda Item #14 - Renaming of the Parkland and Amenities Located at
1706 Orange Avenue – Former Rodgers' Senior Center**

Dear Mayor Delgleize and City Council,

I wish to express my **support** for Council's approval of Community and Library Services Commission's recommendation of re-naming of this parkland to the legacy name of **17th Street Park**, and the community center building to **Michael E. Rodgers Clubhouse**. This park is one of the 3 original city parks in Huntington Beach, and it is fitting to honor the history and legacy of public open space in our city by **retaining the original name**.

Over the years, some city officials have tried to sell this park, and some have co-opted the site for non-park purposes. Some have said that the park restoration project that is currently underway is creating a "new" city park. But this is not a new park, it is a long overdue restoration. The project is moving forward because the people of Huntington Beach have fought to keep this park in the public domain, fought to keep out private development from public lands, and fought to restore the site to its original purpose of public open space.

To select the original name of this park, **17th Street Park**, will honor the history, the original intent of the legacy gift, and especially the people of Huntington Beach who fought for and won the restoration of this park site with the unanimous support and vote of this Council.

I want to thank the Council, the Community Services Commission, the HB Community and Library Services Department, and Chris Slam who have all done the hard work to advocate for restoration of this wonderful City asset, and to engage the public in a meaningful way throughout this long process.

Respectfully and with Best Regards,



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