



Legislation Text

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To: Park and Recreation Advisory Board

From: Tim Behrendt, Streets and Parks Manager

Renaming of Meadows Park

Action Requested:

The Northfield Park and Recreation Advisory Board considers a motion to approve the Meadows Park naming process.

Summary Report:

The City acquired property for Meadows Park through the tax forfeiture process of the Fargaze Meadows Development. The park went through a master planning process and the park master plan was adopted in 2015. The master planning process essentially used part of the development name Meadows Park for the planning process, however the park has never officially received a name.

As part of the discussion when the master plan was adopted, was to bring have the park officially named. The City doesn't have an official park naming policy, so staff has put together a suggested process for naming the park.

The park will be named with the following guidelines that provide a sense of community:

1. Geographical location of the park
2. Outstanding features of the park (hill, river, grassland, woods)
3. Historic significance of the area or features, event, person (non-living), group, culture, or place.
4. An individual (non-living) who provided exceptional service in the interest of the park system.

Staff is proposing the following process.

1. Staff will create an online poll through the City website where residents, community leaders, businesses, and organization can propose a park name. In addition to online, staff will provide ballot boxes at the Senior Center and Library where names can be entered.
2. The Streets and Parks Manager will collect the names and forward them onto Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB). PRAB shall select their top three names for the Park and make a recommendation on the preferred name.
3. The Streets and Parks Manager will provide City Council with the preferred name of the park and ask for a formal resolution naming the park.

Alternative Options:

PRAB could recommend that the name remain the same “Meadows Park” and staff will provide that recommended name to Council.