

TITLE: Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to City Council for Naming of a 16-Acre Neighborhood Park Site Located at 1849 Reagan Drive

COUNCIL GOAL: Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney

MEETING DATE: September 8, 2016

DEPARTMENT: Parks, Recreation and Open Space

CONTACT: Ryan A. Mullins, Assistant Director

RECOMMENDED PROS Board ACTION:

 Recommend a name to City Council for the 16-acre Neighborhood Park Site located at 1849 Reagan Drive.

ITEM SUMMARY:

- City Council has adopted a policy allowing for the naming of park and park facilities.
- Per the Park Code, one of the powers and duties of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory (PROS) Board is to make recommendations to the City Council on naming parks and park facilities.
- Names are generally recommended before or soon after a park or park facility has been constructed.
- Construction of a 16-acre park located at 1849 Reagan Drive was completed in early 2016.
- On July 14, 2016, the PROS Board selected to recommend to City Council, "Monarch Park", with alternate names "George Webb Park" and "Dr. Mack Moran Hill Park" from the online submittal for this park site.
- City Council considered the recommended name and tabled the item requesting the PROS Board resubmit their recommendation.
- The PROS Board recommendation is to allow for the park to be named after a person.
- The City Council requested only one name be resubmitted by the Board.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- On February 11, 2016, the Park Board voted to solicit the public for suggestions in naming the park.
- Parks and Recreation Department solicited name suggestions from the public via an online submittal form.
- The online submittal form was posted to the City's website on 3/29/2016.
- The online submittal form was promoted via social media, Facebook and Nextdoor. It was also featured on the City website's homepage as a scrolling banner.
- The deadline for submittals for this park was 4/12/16, allowing citizens two weeks to submit names.
- All submittals were sent to the PROS Board for their consideration and a final recommendation to the City Council was decided on July 14, 2016.
- On August 16, 2016, City Council tabled the item and requested additional information from the PROS Board as mentioned above.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

N/A

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

 The PROS Board is being asked to recommend to the City Council one of the two following names for the 16-acre neighborhood park site at 1849 Reagan Drive: "George Webb Park" or "Dr. Mack Moran Hill Park".

SUPPORTING MATERIALS: