



**22-0334**

**TITLE:** Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to City Council for a Resolution Renaming the Old Settler's Aquatics Center Located at 1101 E. Louisiana Street

**COUNCIL GOAL:** Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney  
(5A: Create affordable recreational and cultural arts activities for all ages throughout the city)  
(5C: Continue to market and highlight McKinney as a unique destination for residents and visitors alike)

**MEETING DATE:** April 21, 2022

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation

**CONTACT:** Michael Kowski, Director of Parks and Recreation

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

- Forward a recommendation to City Council.

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

- This aquatics facility is located at 1101 E. Louisiana Street, adjacent to the Old Settler's Recreation Center, and opened to the public in 2003.
- Staff received a formal request from the public to consider renaming the Old Settler's Aquatics Center in honor of Gilda Garcia Garza. Ms. Garza served for three terms as McKinney's District 1 council representative beginning in 2001.
- Among many other community projects, Ms. Garza was instrumental in delivering the aquatics facility during her tenure.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

- Ms. Garza passed away in 2019, and City Council proclaimed May 16, 2019, as Councilwoman Gilda Garcia Garza Day in the City of McKinney.

- The packet of supporting materials provided to Staff includes letters from business leaders, city dignitaries, close friends, and her son-in-law, who first proposed the idea in 2019.
- The City's naming policy requires that the Parks Board vet and provide a name or names to the City Council for consideration, in accordance with the guidelines set forth by City Council.
- Generally, a name(s) should be selected based on the following: Outstanding and/or predominant geographical or physical features of the land; Outstanding and/or predominant historical features of significance; Contributions of land for a park site; or in honor of a community/state leader or hero.

**FINANCIAL:**

- N/A

**SUPPORTING MATERIALS:**

[Gilda Garcia Garza Submission Packet](#)