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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](#)