



REPORT

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

DATE ISSUED: May 6, 2014

REPORT NO: 101

ATTENTION: Park and Recreation Board

SUBJECT: Renaming Skyview Neighborhood Park in memory of Officer Christopher Wilson (deceased)

SUMMARY

Issue – Should the Park and Recreation Board approve the renaming of Skyview Neighborhood Park in memory of the late Officer Christopher Wilson?

Director's Recommendation – The Department does not take a position on facility naming requests.

Other Recommendations

- On February 27, 2014, the Skyline Hills Recreation Council voted unanimously to recommend approval of renaming Skyview Neighborhood Park in memory of the late Officer Christopher Wilson.
- On April 9, 2014, the Community Parks II Area Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of renaming Skyview Neighborhood Park in memory of the late Officer Christopher Wilson.
- The renaming of Skyview Neighborhood Park in memory of the late Officer Christopher Wilson was presented as an Information Item at the Southeastern Planning Committee Meeting on March 10, 2014 and at the Skyline/Paradise Hills Planning Committee on April 8, 2014. No action from these groups was required.

Fiscal Impact – None

BACKGROUND

Officer Christopher Wilson was born on June 18, 1960. He led his high school basketball team to a state championship before graduating in 1979. Christopher received a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology in 1985 from the University of Southern Maine where he also met his wife Tracy. They had two children: daughter Kaylee Jeannette and son Conner David.

After college Christopher served our nation in the United States Navy for 5 years. He was a Lieutenant when he was honorably discharged in 1991. Christopher joined the San Diego Police department on March 16th, 1993. Christopher honorably served as a Special Weapons and Tactics officer, Field Training Officer, and Peer Support Officer.

Officer Christopher Wilson was deeply committed to the community of Southeastern San Diego where he served all of his 17 years of his career. Although Officer Christopher Wilson was given multiple opportunities to work in other capacities at other locations around San Diego, he refused to leave the Southeastern community. He replied by saying his home away from home was Southeastern San Diego and he had no desire to work elsewhere. He was a committed parent and deeply involved in his children's lives.

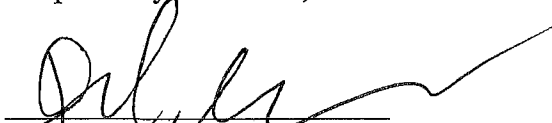
DISCUSSION

The renaming of the Skyview Neighborhood Park as "Officer Christopher Wilson Memorial Park" is in compliance with Park and Recreation Board Policy #101, "Naming of Parks and Recreation Facilities" (copy attached).

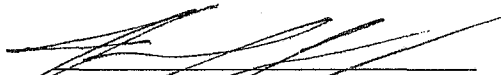
ALTERNATIVES

Do not approve the naming of Skyview Neighborhood Park in memory of Officer Christopher Wilson.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment: 1. Location Map
2. Park and Recreation Board Policy #101 – Naming of Parks
and Recreation Facilities

cc: Councilmember Myrtle Cole, Council District 4