



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
TO THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

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DATE ISSUED: June 15, 2020

REPORT NO: #202

ATTENTION: Park and Recreation Board

SUBJECT: Rename Playground at Skyline Hills Community Park after Robert Haynes

SUMMARY

Issue – Should the Park and Recreation Board approve the renaming of the playground at Skyline Hills Community Park after Robert Haynes?

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

Other Recommendations – On February 27, 2020, the Skyline Hills Recreation Advisory Group voted unanimously to recommend approval of renaming the playground at Skyline Hills Community Park after Robert Haynes.

Fiscal Impact – None

BACKGROUND

Robert Lee Haynes, Sr. was born on February 16, 1931 in Tampa, Florida. Though he earned a full scholarship to play football at Grambling State University, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1952 where he served for 20 years. He spent another 20 years working for the U.S. Postal Service.

Robert Haynes served as a volunteer Ombudsman and Executive Board member of the Greater Skyline Hills Town Council. He also served as a member of the Skyline Hills Recreation Council. For decades, he enthusiastically advocated for several projects to improve the community, including replacing the Skyline Hills playground, as well as building a shade structure in the park.

He passed away on January 6, 2018. The playground and surrounding accessibility improvements will be completed on June 21, 2020. The General Development Plan for Skyline Community Park has been attached for reference (see Attachment 1).

DISCUSSION

The renaming of the playground at Skyline Hills Community Park as “Robert Haynes Playground” complies with Park and Recreation Board Policy #1001, “Naming of Parks and Recreation Facilities” (see Attachment 2).

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ALTERNATIVE

Do not approve the renaming of the playground at Skyline Hills Community Park after Robert Haynes.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments: 1. Skyline Community Park General Development Plan  
2. Park and Recreation Board Policy #1001 – Naming of Parks and Recreation Facilities

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