



REPORT

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

DATE ISSUED: April 5, 2023

REPORT NO.: 101

ATTENTION: Parks and Recreation Board
Agenda of April 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Proposed renaming of Southwest Neighborhood Park to Grove
Neighborhood Park

SUMMARY

Issue – Should the Parks and Recreation Board recommend approval of the proposed renaming of Southwest Neighborhood Park to Grove Neighborhood Park?

Department Recommendation – Existing City policy indicates that the Department does not take a position on facility naming requests.

Other Recommendations – The following groups have reviewed and considered the proposed renaming; Robert Egger South Bay Recreation Advisory Group (Attachment A), Otay Mesa Recreation Advisory Council (Attachment B), and the Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group (Attachment C). Actions taken and recommendations made by these groups are listed under Discussion below.

Fiscal Impact – No impact to the General Fund.

Water and Energy Conservation Status – The proposed would not have an impact on any water and energy conservation guidelines contained in Council Policy 200-14.

Climate Action Plan (CAP) Impact – No Impact.

Strategic/Tactical Equity Plan Impact – No Impact.

Environmental – No Impact.

BACKGROUND

Southwest Neighborhood Park (currently undeveloped) is located east of Highway 5 on Grove Avenue at the corner of 27th Street. This 11.53-acre undeveloped park will be maintained by the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department's Community Parks II Division once it is complete. Park amenities include: a children's play area, picnic areas, open turf, a half-court basketball facility, a comfort station/restroom, a parking lot and accommodations and picnic shelters.

On September 12, 2019 Engineering & Capital Projects held a meeting at Silver Wing Recreation Center to gather community input on park design. A discussion of naming the park took place. Attending community members voted to name the undeveloped park to Grove Neighborhood Park.

DISCUSSION

City Council Policy 900-20 address the Naming of City Assets (Attachment D)

1. Location
2. Significant Events, People and Places
3. Outstanding Individuals
4. Major Donations

Category 1 states that as a general policy, a name should assist the public in identifying its location. The City shall first consider the name of the community area, the names of nearby geographic features, and the names of adjacent schools and streets when it is considering a naming/renaming request. The proposed renaming satisfies category 1 of the policy in that the development of the park is located adjacent to Grove Avenue.

On April 17, 2019, the Robert Egger South Bay Recreation Advisory Group voted to name Undeveloped Southwest Neighborhood Park to Grove Neighborhood Park. (Attachment A)


On September 12, 2019, the Otay Mesa Recreation Advisory Council recommended to name Undeveloped Southwest Neighborhood Park to Grove Neighborhood Park. (Attachment B)

On February 23, 2023, the Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group voted unanimously (6-0-0), recommending approval to propose the renaming of Southwest Neighborhood Park to Grove Neighborhood Park. (Attachment C)

ALTERNATIVES

Do not approve the proposed renaming of Southwest Neighborhood Park to Grove Neighborhood Park.

Respectfully submitted,



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- Attachment(s):
- A. Engineering & Capital Projects April 17, 2019 community input meeting Agenda and Vote Naming Tally.
 - B. Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group September 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes.
 - C. Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group February 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes.
 - D. Council Policy 900-20 - Naming of City Assets
 - E. Southwest Neighborhood Park GDP