June 7, 2016

Renaming of the Northwest Community Park in Honor of Former Supervisor Ann Day

Background

The Pima County Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously at their May 13, 2016 meeting to recommend renaming the Northwest Community Park in honor of former Supervisor Ann Day. Supervisor Day had significant involvement in the creation of the park.

As shown in the attached draft minutes of the meeting, the recommendation did not include the specific title for the park, given the desire to receive naming concurrence from the family of Supervisor Day. The Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Department consulted with Supervisor Day’s family and determined it was the desire of the family to rename the Northwest Community Park the “Ann Day Community Park.”

Recommendation

I recommend the Board of Supervisors approve renaming the Northwest Community Park the “Ann Day Community Park.”

Respectfully submitted,

C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

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Attachment

c: John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works
   Nanette Slusser, Assistant County Administrator for Public Works, Policy
   Chris Cawein, Director, Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

May 13, 2016
Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Department
3500 West River Road, Tucson, Arizona

Quorum having been established, Chair Lundin called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m on May 13, 2016.

Commissioners present were Michael Lundin (Chair), Jan Johnson (Vice Chair), Kimberly Marohn, Anita Kellman, Victor Rivera, Peter Chesson and Enrique Serna. Karen Cesare and Richard Barker were absent.
Staff present were Chris Cawein, Robert Padilla, Kerry Baldwin, Joe Barr, Robert Vaughn, Ron O’dell, Elisabeth Van Der Leeuw, Heather Ruder, Roland Duarte, Robin Hadden and Ann Khambholja.

Those present recited the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Lundin informed the commission that he wanted to discuss the addendum item first, which was the discussion of the Ann Day memorial event and the possibility of renaming a park facility in her honor.
Mr. Cawein informed the commission that a memorial event would be held at Brandi Fenton Memorial Park on Saturday, May 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. NRPR staff are diligently working on preparations for the public memorial event. He informed them that Supervisor Day was a strong supporter of parks during her tenure with Pima County. Mr. Cawein informed the commission that the Northwest Park, adjacent to the NW YMCA, which has a couple of ball fields and includes a dog park and other features, could be an appropriate site. She worked very hard for funding the dog park and the ramadas, and it was one of the last park actions she took before retiring. He informed them that Valerie had spoken with the family and they were very appreciative of having a park named in her honor. Chair Lundin asked what official action could be taken by the commission and was informed by Mr. Cawein that the commission could make that recommendation as per NRPR’s park renaming policy, which could be presented to the Board of Supervisors. He also said that the actual name, whether it would be Ann Day Park or Ann Day Memorial Park, could be considered later. Mr. Cawein asked for a motion to rename the park. Commissioner Kellman made a motion to consider renaming the Northwest Park after Ann Day. Commissioner Serna seconded the motion. All the commissioners were in favor.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rivera, to approve the February 12, 2016 minutes. The motion passed.