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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: NAMING THE SOCCER FIELD AT JOHN MUIR PARK

LOCATION: City Council District 1, Washington Neighborhood

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that the City Council, by Resolution, name the soccer field at John Muir Park, C Street at 16th Street, in honor of a deserving Alkali Flat Redevelopment Area resident, Mr. Luis S. Colmenarez.

CONTACT PERSON: Candace Noguchi, Administrative Analyst, 264-8880

FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: October 5, 1999

SUMMARY

Several individuals of the Alkali Flat and Washington neighborhoods approached City staff with the proposal to name the soccer field in John Muir Park in honor of Mr. Luis S. Colmenarez for his long time commitment to youth soccer in the Washington neighborhood. The dedication will include a plaque and pedestal located in the park.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTIONS

City Council policy adopted in 1992, authorizes the City Council to name city park and recreation facilities to honor individuals who have made "significant contributions relative to the facility or area in question". The policy requires approval from the Parks and Recreation Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). Staff received approval from the Parks and Recreation



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CAC (on September 2, 1999) and support from the Alkali Flat Project Area Committee (on August 15, 1999) as well as Councilmember Heather Fargo. The Colmenarez family has been notified and is aware of this proposal.

BACKGROUND

Mr. Colmenarez had been a longtime resident of the Washington Community and had been instrumental in the creation and continuation of neighborhood youth soccer for 10 years. During the time he worked as a teaching assistant for the Sacramento City Unified School District, he often visited the homes of students who missed too much school and helped organize after-school soccer teams to keep the children focused on positive endeavors. He volunteered his time and often his money to provide the children with soccer uniforms and shoes. Mr. Colmenarez was regarded as a role model and a key person in the lives of many youth. Mr. Colmenarez was honored as an "unsung hero" by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education last year for his work on behalf of Sacramento's children.

The naming recognition will include a plaque mounted on a pedestal in the park near the C Street entrance to the soccer field. Staff will work with the community to organize a special dedication ceremony. Staff agrees that Mr. Colmenarez is much deserving of this community recognition.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Funding for the plaque and pedestal, estimated at less than \$2,000, will come from available funds in CIP LM01.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Naming the soccer field for a deserving community member who has dedicated hundreds of hours to improving the Washington community and especially the youth is in keeping with the City Council policy of naming park and recreation facilities.

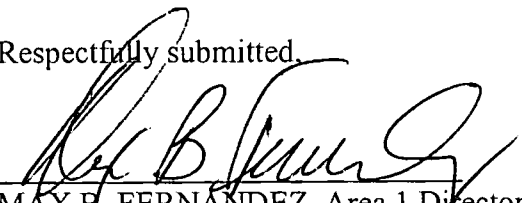
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This project does not involve any negative impacts to the environment and does not require any environmental assessments.

E/SBD CONSIDERATIONS


Every effort will be made to support the City's E/SBD efforts for the purchase of goods and materials for this project.

Respectfully submitted,

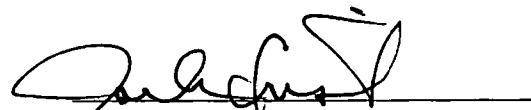


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Recommendation Approved:



ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager



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Deputy City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 99-567

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

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ON DATE OF _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER
TO DIRECT CITY STAFF TO INSTALL A PLAQUE AT THE
JOHN MUIR PARK SOCCER FIELD TO HONOR
MR. LUIS S. COLMENAREZ**

WHEREAS, the City of Sacramento Policy for Naming Park and Recreation Facilities clearly states that *individuals who have gained stature in the community by making significant contributions relative to the facility or area in question* may have facilities named in their honor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Luis S. Colmenarez has dedicated many years to improve the lives of the youth of Washington neighborhood and the community as well; and

WHEREAS, John Muir Park is the home of the Washington Neighborhood Soccer League and the neighborhood where Mr. Colmenarez provided leadership and community service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO, THAT:

1. The soccer field at John Muir located at C Street and 16th Street in Sacramento are now to be known as *The Luis S. Colmenarez Soccer Field*.
2. Funding for the plaque and pedestal will come from available funds in CIP LM01.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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