

Resolution Dedicating the Tennis Courts at McNear Park, the Lynn Haggerty King Memorial Tennis Courts

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Recommendation

City Council adopt the Resolution naming the tennis courts at McNear Park, the Lynn Haggerty King Memorial Tennis Courts, in recognition of significant contributions to the Community and in accordance with City public facilities naming policy.



Park Naming Policy - Background

- Resolution No. 89-304 N.C.S, adopted formal policies and criteria for naming all public parks and facilities within its jurisdiction. Two Objectives:
 - 1) To name public facilities so that they will be easily identified as to geographical location and/or function.
 - 2) To encourage the dedication of land or funds for public use by individuals/groups, in recognition of their achievements or community contributions.

Park Naming Policy – Background cont...

- Recognition of individuals, groups and organizations for important service contributions which have:

1) Had a recognized direct positive effect on the community.

2) Contribution by a profit-making organization shall have been outside the normal function of the organization.



Community Initiated Support

- Lynn Haggerty King was described as an avid tennis player, a coach, a mentor, a volunteer, a community supporter.
- Dedicated her time in service of others, leading initiatives to strengthen community through a range of disciplines.
- Community group initiated process from members, leaders, colleagues, and friends of Lynn King,
- Provided examples of broad range of community contributions and lifelong service to the community.
- Support for naming community-led endorsement included 175 signatures.
- Letters of support by the Petaluma Tennis Association (PTA) President and Board of Directors.



Significant Contributions to Community & Service

- Serving as an active Cool City Block leader
- Tennis Coach, Board President, Mentor, player
- Involvement in the Tomorrow's Leaders Today program, which assists high school students with developing their leadership skills.
- Represented southern Sonoma County on the Local Law Enforcement Task Force.
- Served as an early supporter of the Blue Zones project.
- Helped in developing and leading the first version of Safe Routes to School, a program that also provided parents with tools to address bullying and issues facing adolescents in schools.



Recreation, Music, and Parks Commission

- Staff presented a recommendation for the formal dedication of the tennis courts at McNear Park to the Recreation, Music, and Parks Commission for discussion on Wednesday, October 18, 2023.
- Commissioners voted 7-0 in support of the staff's recommendation to bring the item forward to City Council for consideration.

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