

# Agenda Report

April 17, 2022

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Parks, Recreation and Community Service Department

**SUBJECT: AMENDED NAMING OF THE NEW PARK AND THE ASSOCIATED TRAIL, LOCATED AT 1410 WIERFIELD DRIVE**

## **RECOMMENDATION FROM THE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the proposed action of naming a City park not a "project" as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Section 15378(b)(4) and (5) of the State CEQA Guidelines and, as such, is not subject to environmental review; and
2. Approve that the new park located at 1410 Wierfield Drive be named "Annandale Canyon Nature Preserve" and the associated trail be named "Yayaaytnga Trail."

## **BACKGROUND:**

At the October 24, 2022 City Council Meeting, the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department (PRCS) presented the Recreation and Parks Commission endorsed name for the new park and trail located at 1410 Wierfield Drive for consideration and approval (see Attachment A). As a part of the public comment portion of the meeting, the City received a letter from the Linda Vista – Annandale Association (LVAA) (see Attachment B) which commented about the public input process and offered a modified park name suggestion: "Annandale Canyon Nature Preserve". The LVAA requested the addition of "Nature" as it felt that the recommended name might otherwise be interpreted as being a private area. In addition to LVAA's letter, councilmembers also expressed some concerns about the naming process, namely the limited amount of public input, and referred the *Public Park and Recreational Facility Naming Policy* to the Legislative Policy Committee for review. (Proposed changes to the Policy are presented to the City Council as a separate agenda item.)

Given that the City's current Policy has been followed and includes LVAA's suggestion to add "Nature" to the previously recommended park name, the City Council is requested to consider the amended recommended park name along with the proposed trail name, "Yayaaytnga", and make a final decision. The amended recommended park name reflects and celebrates the conservation success story of Annandale Canyon and incorporates LVAA's input.

**COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

The naming process presented is consistent with the City Council's goal of supporting and promoting quality of life.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

CEQA excludes from environmental analysis those actions that are not "projects" as defined by State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378. That section excludes from the definition of "project" the creation of government funding mechanisms and fiscal activities which do not yet commit the lead agency to any specific project, and also excludes organizational or administrative governmental activities that do not result in physical changes to the environment. The action proposed for the naming of a park facility is part of the City's normal administrative process.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

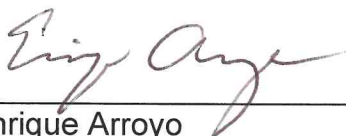
There is no fiscal impact for this action.

Respectfully submitted,



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