

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 3/8/2022

PREPARED BY: Megan Mainer, Director of Parks & Recreation

AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action on Park Naming for the land

acquisition on the south side of Angleton.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$0 FUNDS REQUESTED: None

FUND: NA

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff closed on the south side property Tuesday, February 8, 2022. The adopted Facility and Park Naming policy specifies that prior to the permanent naming of a major facility, the location will be referred to by its address or location designation until such a time as the major facility is given an official name and that the naming process for a major facility will automatically be initiated with the City Council's approval for the design, construction, or acquisition of the facility.

The City Council is to conduct the naming of a major facility according to the following process: The major facility naming process is initiated with the approval of the design, construction, or acquisition of the major facility.

A person or group may submit a suggestion for naming by submitting a letter to the City Manager, Parks Director or the Mayor. The letter should include:

the proposed name;

a short explanation of why the facility should be named or renamed; and

a description of the proposed namesake's contributions to the community or other justification for naming a street, facility, park or feature that name.

The City Manager shall direct staff to review the naming request. Staff shall evaluate:

the requestor's proposal in consideration of this policy;

the impact on existing facilities;

the financial impact for changing signs, plaques, and markers or initiation new signs, plaques, and markers; and

the appropriateness of the name based on this policy.

All names for major facilities will be approved by a majority City Council vote regardless of the source of the name's recommendation.

On February 25, 2022, Travis Townsend submitted a proposal to name the newly acquired land "Abigail Arias Park". The full recommendation is enclosed for City Council review and discussion.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council review and discuss the proposed naming recommendation and approve the recommendation to name the south side park property Abigail Arias Park.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move we approve the recommendation to name the south side park property Abigail Arias Park.