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## Sec. 2-8. Naming and recognition procedures.

- (a) Naming of City-owned properties, buildings, structures and facilities. The City Commission may, by resolution, name any property, building, structure or facility owned by the City of Cooper City, subject to the following process and parameters:
- (1) In its sole discretion, the City Commission may involve outside organizations in the process.
  - (2) Properties, buildings, structures and facilities shall not be named after living persons.
  - (3) Properties, buildings, structures and facilities may be named after people who have died, following a minimum 90-day waiting period.
  - (4) Consideration of the following in naming properties, buildings, structures and facilities is encouraged:
    - a. Historical significance;
    - b. Geographic identifiers;
    - c. Natural characteristics, including flora and fauna; and
    - d. Individuals making significant, non-financial, humanitarian contributions to the City.
  - (5) Any proposal to name a property, building, structure or facility after a person must be placed on the City Commission's printed agenda at least one month before it is considered for final approval. Community response is to be solicited early in the process and local homeowners' associations or other appropriate community groups should be notified in writing of the proposal and their input solicited.
  - (6) This policy shall not apply to any property, buildings, structures or facilities named prior to May 28, 2019, or if the naming rights have been sold or transferred by written agreement or contract approved by Resolution of the City Commission.
  - (7) The provisions of this subsection may be waived only by a unanimous vote of the City Commission.
- (b) *Keys to Cooper City*. In recognition of the fact that the only key to Cooper City which has ever been presented was given to the City's founder Morris Cooper shortly before his death, the City Commission has determined that it would not be appropriate to issue or present any further "Keys to Cooper City."
- (c) *Honorary citizens*. In lieu of keys to the City, when an individual's accomplishments or contributions to the betterment of Cooper City are so noteworthy, or have been of significant duration, the City Commission may honor such persons by naming them honorary citizens of Cooper City.

(Ord. No. 19-8-1, § 3.9-10-19)