

STAFF REPORT

City of Dripping Springs

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Submitted By: Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Date: August 7, 2023

Agenda Item Wording:

Public Hearing and recommendation on the Parks and Facilities Naming

application to name the skatepark at Founders Memorial Park.

Agenda Item Requestor: Eric Henline, Dripping Springs Skatepark, Inc. Committee

Summary/Background:

The Dripping Springs Skatepark is being created through the efforts of DS Skatepark, Inc., a non-profit created to raise funds, work with skatepark designers, and build a regional skatepark at the north end of Founders Memorial Park. It will be a 9,000 square foot, plaza-style skatepark designed to provide a facility for young people to pursue an athletic activity that they love, as well as provide a safe place for young people to develop active lifestyles.

The DS Skatepark, Inc. Committee submitted a Park and Facilities Naming application requesting the future Dripping Springs Skatepark be named "Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark" in honor of Dorian Zev Kweller.

Dorian was a Dripping Springs High School Sophomore whose life was taken in a tragic car accident on February 27, 2023. Dorian was a part of the Dripping Springs skateboarding community and attended the weekly Thursday night skate at DSRP regularly. Dorian also participated in the fundraising efforts for the skatepark.

The eventual name of the skatepark was to be displayed on the facility identification sign consistent with the other signage within the park. Therefore, the fiscal impact of naming the skatepark the "Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark" would be minimal since it would be displayed on signage already planned to be installed.

Staff Application meets the requirements for submittal.

Recommendations:

Attachments: Parks and Facilities Naming Ordinance No. 2023-20

DS Skatepark Naming Application

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Next Steps/Schedule: If recommended to City Council, it will be placed on the August 15th agenda

for consideration.