



Folsom City Council Staff Report

MEETING DATE:	1/11/2022
AGENDA SECTION:	Consent Calendar
SUBJECT:	Resolution No. 10782 – A Resolution Approving the Name of Prospector Park, Formerly Known as Neighborhood Park #3 in the Folsom Plan Area
FROM:	Parks and Recreation Department

RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION

Staff recommends that the City Council approve Resolution No. 10782 – A Resolution Approving the Name of Prospector Park, Formerly Known as Neighborhood Park #3 in the Folsom Plan Area.

BACKGROUND / ISSUE

Neighborhood Park #3 (NP3) is in the Folsom Plan Area (FPA) south of Hwy 50 on Mangini Parkway. It is located adjacent to Mangini Ranch Elementary School, which was recently completed. NP3 will be the first park designed and built in the FPA. Through a planning process that included input from the public, and approval by the Parks & Recreation Commission, a Preferred NP3 Park Master Plan was developed and subsequently approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission on September 22, 2021, and City Council on October 12, 2021.

Design development is currently underway for NP3 and it is the intent of the Parks and Recreation Department, Parks and Recreation Commission, and City Council, to establish a name for the park at this time.

The City of Folsom City Council approved a new park naming policy established by Resolution No. 10696, on September 14, 2021 (Attachment 2). Resolution No. 10696 is a Resolution that rescinds and replaces the prior park naming Resolutions No. 5177 and No. 3951, by creating a new park and facility naming policy. The new policy provides more clarity and specific guidelines around name selection.

A call for names was issued in September 2020 and 16 names were submitted. (Attachment 3) The Parks and Recreation Commission created an Ad-Hoc Park Naming Committee to evaluate the names with the intent to return to the full Commission with a recommendation. The Ad-Hoc Committee met twice in October 2020 and had concerns with the existing guidelines as outlined in Resolution No. 3951 and Resolution No. 5177. Through many meetings with the Ad-Hoc Committee, the full Parks and Recreation Commission, and ultimately the City Council, the new Resolution No. 10696 was approved.

More recently, a call for names was issued in October 2021 and 12 names were received (Attachment 3). The names from the September 2020 solicitation and the October 2021 were considered in the evaluation. In addition, staff submitted an additional 9 names that reflected the park theming, “gold rush/mining”, which was approved by the City Council during the approval of the NP3 Preferred Park Master Plan.

POLICY / RULE

The Park Naming Policy, as adopted by Resolution No. 10696 – A Resolution to Rescind and Replace Resolution No. 5177 and Resolution No. 3951 to Create a New Park and Facility Naming Policy (Attachment 2).

ANALYSIS

The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee met on November 23, 2021, to review the eligible list of names and arrived at a suggested name for NP3 with two options they felt appropriate for additional consideration by the full Parks & Recreation Commission. The preferred name presented to the full Parks & Recreation Commission was **Tailings Park**. The other names for consideration are **Prospector Park** and **Diggings Park**.

Tailings Park was submitted by a member of the community during the October 2021 call for names with the premise that this name had local historic significance. Prospector Park was a name that Commissioner Morales suggested during the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee meeting on November 23, 2021. Prospector Park was meant as an homage to the gold prospectors who traveled to the area during the Gold Rush. Diggings Park was also a name provided by staff and is a shortened version of “Rhoades’s Diggings Mining District”, which was an area in the Folsom Plan Area where many miners found rich gold deposits. While Rhoades’ Diggings was named after John Pierce Rhoades, a Missouri farmer who traveled to the Sacramento area in 1846, the Ad-Hoc Committee felt that this neighborhood park shouldn’t be named after an individual in keeping with the new park naming policy. The name Diggings Park, however, is considered appropriate since the general area was claimed by many miners.

Staff presented the 3 park names at the December 7, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting with Tailings Park identified as the preferred name. After some discussion, Tailings Park was not the preferred name as expressed by several on the Commission. Ultimately, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted and chose Prospector Park as the preferred name for NP3.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact to this decision.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This action does not constitute a project requiring review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution No. 10782 – A Resolution Approving the Name of Prospector Park, Formerly Known as Neighborhood Park #3 in the Folsom Plan Area.
2. Resolution No. 10696 – A Resolution to Rescind and Replace Resolution No. 5177 and Resolution No. 3951 to Create a New Park and Facility Naming Policy
3. Park Name Submittals

Submitted,

Lorraine Poggione, Parks and Recreation Director

ATTACHMENT NO. 1

RESOLUTION NO. 10782

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NAME OF PROSPECTOR PARK, FORMERLY KNOWN AS NEIGHBORHOOD PARK #3 IN THE FOLSOM PLAN AREA

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 10696 created a new policy for how parks and facilities are to be named; and

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Department solicited for potential park names in October 2020 and September 2021; and

WHEREAS, 28 names were submitted and an additional 9 were suggested by city staff; and

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Commission, at its meeting on December 7, 2021, approved and forwarded a recommendation to the City Council for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Folsom hereby approves the naming of Neighborhood Park #3 as Prospector Park; and

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of January, 2022, by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s):
NOES: Councilmember(s):
ABSENT: Councilmember(s):
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s):

Kerri M. Howell, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

ATTACHMENT NO. 2

RESOLUTION NO. 10696

**A RESOLUTION TO RESCIND AND REPLACE
RESOLUTION NO. 5177 AND RESOLUTION NO. 3951 TO CREATE
A NEW PARK AND FACILITY NAMING POLICY**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 3951, a park-naming policy was adopted by City Council on February 9, 1993; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 5177, City Council adopted a modification to the park-naming policy on August 27, 1996; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation Commission has forwarded their recommendation to the City Council to rescind and replace the existing park naming policy included in Resolution No. 3951 and 5177 to reflect desired changes expressed by the Community to expand naming options; clarify naming conventions; specifically include language for the naming of facilities, and allow for funding and sponsorship opportunities for entire parks and facilities and/or assets within them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City Council of the City of Folsom hereby rescinds and replaces Resolution No. 3951 and No. 5177 and adopts the following new policy:

PARK NAMING CRITERIA

1. Community Parks/Fields/Facilities should be named after (Community Parks are typically 20-50 acres in size):
 - a. Individuals/Families (*see below*)
2. Neighborhood Parks (typically 7 to 10 acres in size) should be named after:
 - a. Individual who donated land or large financial contribution to a specific facility or park; or
 - b. Site-Specific Names
 - i. Geographical location
 - ii. Outstanding feature, design, or theme of the park, whether natural geographical or manmade
 - iii. Native plants & wildlife
 - iv. Historical significance, such as event, group, culture, or place
3. Local Parks (typically 1-3 acres in size) should be named after:
 - a. Adjacent streets or subdivision in which they are located; or
 - b. Individuals who donated land or large financial contribution to a specific facility or park

If Naming after Individuals or Families:

1. Preference is for an individual to be deceased
2. Only the last name to be used for the formal name
3. Preference is for individual to have left public service for a minimum of 6 years
4. Considerations:
 - a. Donation of land or large financial contribution to a specific facility
 - b. Died or disabled in the line of duty as part of City service
 - c. Contributed substantially and improved the quality of life in Folsom

- i. 10+ years of accomplishment
 - ii. Voluntary work (*beyond the normal course of employment*)
 - iii. Resume can include: service clubs, civic organizations, school community, elected/appointed positions, non-profit groups, youth sports
5. If named after a family, 1-4 above should apply to 2+ people

Sponsorships for Existing and Future Parks/Facilities

This policy allows for sponsorship opportunities to fund amenities within a park or facility as well as fund a portion of a park or facility. Recognition would be commensurate with said donations or funding. Such recognition could be plaques, signage, and/or other name recognition opportunities within the park or facility.

Process for Naming of Parks and Facilities:

1. Staff opens up the nomination period - this is done on an as-needed basis
- 2a. Nomination of an individual/family name
 - a. A public nomination must be submitted in writing with justification. The request should include the proposed name, naming justification, letters of support, requestor contact information, and any other relevant items of support.
 - b. Staff and P&R Commission may submit names
 - c. Letters of support should be from non-related individuals
 - d. Names will remain on the list for a period of 5 years, at which point they will need to be resubmitted to be considered
- 2b. Nomination of site-specific name
 - e. Nominations may be submitted in writing with justification
 - f. Staff will provide site-specific relevant information about each park including but not limited to information about history, groups/individuals, botany/wildlife. These names may be recycled if not chosen.
 - g. Parks & Recreation Commission may submit names
3. If not already active, a new Ad-Hoc Park Naming Subcommittee will be formed to review and recommend a primary name to the Parks & Recreation Commission, with two alternate names or choices
4. Parks & Recreation Commission recommends a name to the Folsom City Council
5. Folsom City Council formally adopts a name

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of September 2021, by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Aquino, Chalamcherla, Rodriguez, Kozlowski

NOES: Councilmember(s): Howell

ABSENT: Councilmember(s): None

ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s): None



Michael D. Kozlowski, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

ATTACHMENT NO. 3

Naming of Neighborhood Park #3

SUGGESTED NAME

SUGGESTED BY

September 2020 - Call for Names

1 Jack Fallon Neighborhood Park	Robert Fratini
2 Folsom State Prison Recreational Park	Steve Getz
3 Folsom Prison Blues Recreational Park	Steve Getz
4 Ferrier Family	Joe Ferrier
5 Joseph G. O'Neill	Kathleen
6 Stan Gisler	Barbara Gisler
7 Dr. Richard Cantor	Laura Cantor & Brady Cantor
8 Miguel Delgado Park	Christine, Erica, Nathan and Adam
9 Gail Furness De Pardo	Loretta Hettinger
10 Lynn LePage Park	Leann Schummer
11 Nancy Atchley Park	Ruth Anderson
12 Leidesdorff Park	Srinidhi Nagunuri
13 Goodell Family Park	James Goodell
14 Kerri Howell Park	
15 Will Kempton Park	
16 Paul Romero Park	

October 2021 - Call for Names

1 Tyler Andrews Park	The Morales team
2 Prosperity Park Alan Farebrother Park/ Farebrother Field/	Michelle Gallegos
3 Farebrother Park	Zachary Zamarripa
4 Drury Butler	Roberta Long
5 Jacks Park	Spencer
6 Kelsey Park	Elicia Masztal
7 World Peace Park	Patricia Wood
8 Tailings Park	Mark Vaccaro
9 RG Smith Park	Pam Smith Jarvis Phei Saw
10 Yuan Park	Linus Maxino
11 Alder Mine Park	Darrell Singleton
12 Goodell Family Park	Bernett and Lindsay Goodell



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**Park Name Suggestions from Staff/Ad-Hoc Subcommittee
October 19, 2021**

Bucket Line Park (type of dredge used in Folsom)
Miners Park
Diggings Park
Gold Panning Park
AU Park (Periodic symbol for gold)
Golden Era Park
Artifact Park
Pony Express Park
Pioneer Village Park

**Additional thoughts and ideas generated at Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Meeting
11.22.21**

Tailings Park
Goodell Park
Rhoades Diggings

Miners Park
Diggings Park
Prospector Park
Tailings Park

November 22, 2021

Park Naming Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Mtg.

NP3 Naming Final List (prioritized)

- 1. Tailings Park**
- 2. Prospector Park**
- 3. Diggings Park**