

RESOLUTION NO. 644

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING THE POLICY AND THE PROCEDURE FOR THE DESIGNATION OF CITY PLACE NAMES, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 325

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2001, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 325, establishing a historic place names policy and the procedure for designation of City place names;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2010, the City of University Place Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) following review of City of University Place Resolution No. 325, "*Historic Place Names Policy and the Procedure for Designation of City Place Names*", agreed to forward to the City Council of University Place the recommendation to amend the aforementioned Resolution;

WHEREAS, RCW gives the City Council full authority to name or rename public streets within the city by ordinance. And whereas the City Council as the governing body and property owner is also empowered to name city-owned places by motion or resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Place Name Policy. It shall be a function of the University Place Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) to make recommendations for the naming of all City of University Place parks, recreation areas and facilities to the University Place City Council for adoption.

Section 2. Naming Defined. For the purpose of this policy, names shall be:

1. Solicited from community organizations or individuals. All suggestions will be recorded and considered.
2. Names selected by the majority of the commission will be recommended to City Council for final action.
3. Upon City Council adoption of a name, acknowledgment shall be made to all those who submitted suggestions.

Section 3. Designation Procedure. The City Council shall designate Place Names for streets by Ordinance and for any other City owned parks, buildings or properties by Resolution. The following steps are to be used for Name selection:

1. The University Place Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) shall review all existing facility names in the park system to avoid duplication or confusion
2. Priorities shall be given, but not limited to geographic location, historical or cultural significance or natural or geological features.
3. In instances where the person is living, or in which the death of a person or event to be commemorated has taken place within the past year, there should be a lapse of at least six (6) months between receipt of the name proposal and the final recommendation for its adoption.
4. No facility shall be named for a living person except when a significant contribution of land or money is made and the donor stipulates naming the facility as a consideration of the donation, or when an unusually outstanding service to the parks and recreation system would so justify.
5. Whenever possible, a facility shall be named prior to construction of the improvement
6. If a contest is held, the commission shall provide guidelines for the contest.
7. Once the park, recreation area or facility has been named it should be considered permanent and changes strongly resisted.

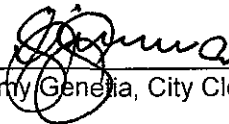
Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON MAY 17, 2010.



Debbie Klosowski, Mayor

ATTEST:



Emily Genetta, City Clerk

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