

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Malcolm Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation Department

THROUGH: Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

COPIES: Christopher J. Brady; Finance; Management and Budget; Legal; File

SUBJECT: Ordinance Naming a Traffic Island Located at the Intersection of Fredericksburg Road, Michigan Avenue and W. French Place in City Council District 1 to the "Liz Davies Greenspace"

DATE: August 12, 2004

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance names a traffic island located at the intersection of Fredericksburg Road, Michigan Avenue and W. French Place in City Council District 1 to the "Liz Davies Greenspace."

Staff recommends passage of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

District 1 Councilman Roger O. Flores submitted a request to name a traffic island located at the intersection of Fredericksburg Road, Michigan Avenue and W. French Place in City Council District 1 to the "Liz Davies Greenspace." This was submitted to honor Ms. Liz Davies, a community leader who was a past president of the San Antonio Conservation Society and former president of the San Antonio Chapter of the League of Women Voters. She was involved in the public effort to keep La Villita and HemisFair Park from being converted into commercial and retail development. Ms. Davies worked as the art and music librarian at the San Antonio Public Library and later assisted with the cataloguing of Paris-born artist Theodore Gentilz's collection at the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library at the Alamo. She also established the Friends of Texana/Genealogy group at the San Antonio Public Library. Ms. Davies died in 2003 at the age of 75.

As per the requirements of Chapter 2, Article VI of the City Code of the City of San Antonio, a committee was established to hold a public hearing on this proposal. The committee consisted of Councilman Roger O. Flores, City Council District 1; Ms. Martha Bailey, Community Representative; and Malcolm Matthews, Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation. As required under the City Code, notice of the public hearing was advertised through public service

announcements, through media releases and by direct notification of all residents and businesses within 200 feet of this public property.

The public hearing was held on July 27, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. at the Woodlawn Lake Park Island House. Fourteen (14) citizens attended the hearing. All comments received were in favor of the proposed name. At the conclusion of the hearing, the committee quorum voted to recommend to the City Council that the traffic island be named the Liz Davies Greenspace.

POLICY ANALYSIS

The naming and renaming of the City's public facilities is regulated under Chapter 2, Article VI of the City Code. This action is consistent with these regulations.

FISCAL IMPACT

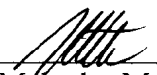
Beyond the minimal costs associated with installation of signage at the traffic island, this action will place no demands on the City's General Fund.

COORDINATION

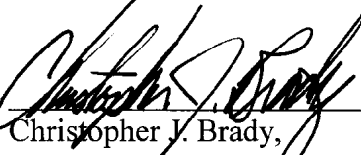
This action was coordinated with the City Attorney Office.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

This ordinance does not require any disclosures under the City's Ethics Ordinance.



Malcolm Matthews,
Director of Parks and Recreation



Christopher J. Brady,
Assistant City Manager

Approved:



Terry M. Brechtel
City Manager

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