# CONSENT AGENDA CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENTEN NO. CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Malcolm Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation Department

**SUBJECT:** 

Ordinance Naming the Acme Park Sports Pavilion

**DATE:** 

September 8, 2005

#### SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance names a new sports shade structure within Acme Park, located at 534 S. Acme Road in City Council District 6, as the "Thelma Jackson Sports Pavilion."

Staff recommends passage of this ordinance.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Before his term ended, former Councilman Enrique Barrera submitted a request that a new sports shade structure located within Acme Park, located at 534 S. Acme Road in City Council District 6, be named the "Thelma Jackson Sports Pavilion" and this was supported by Councilwoman Delicia Herrera upon her entry into office. The request was submitted to honor Ms. Thelma Jackson, a local resident active in the community and in the Edgewood Independent School District (EISD). Ms. Jackson retired from EISD where she was the first principal at E.T. Wrenn Junior High. She taught and coached girls' basketball, dance, physical education, cheerleading, pep squad and tennis. Ms. Jackson's involvement in community activities include teaching dance free-of-charge in her home, being an active member of the St. James A.M.E. church and winner of their "Woman of the Year" award for her community service, and serving as the pageant consultant for the Miss Dignity Fiesta Pageant.

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 Councilwoman Herrera, City Council District 6; Mr. Anthony Bell, Community Representative; and Malcolm Matthews, Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation. In addition, 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.

Following the distribution of notices, there were no letters or calls received against the proposed name. The public hearing was held on August 29, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cuellar Park Community Center, located at 5626 San Fernando Road. Thirty-one (31) residents attended the hearing. Everyone in attendance was in favor of the proposed name and many positive

comments about Ms. Jackson's contributions to the local community were noted. At the conclusion of the hearing, the committee concurred to recommend to the City Council that the new sports shade structure in Acme Park be named the "Thelma Jackson Sports Pavilion."

# **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 placing signage on the pavilion, this action will place no demands on the City's General Fund.

### **COORDINATION**

This action was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS**

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

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