

Agenda item #23

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

TO: Sheryl Sculley, City Manager
FROM: Malcolm Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation Department
SUBJECT: Ordinance Renaming the San Fernando Gym
DATE: June 1, 2006

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance renames the San Fernando Gym, located at 319 W. Travis in City Council District 1, as the "Jesse James Leija Gym."

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Councilman Roger O. Flores, City Councilman for District 1 and Councilman Roland Gutierrez, City Councilman for District 3 submitted a request for the renaming of San Fernando Gym to the "Jesse James Leija Gym" located in City Council District 1. The request was submitted to honor Mr. Jesse James Leija for his contributions to the community. He has been an active member of the community and has raised money for local programs and charities. Mr. Leija trained at the Gym since the age of nineteen. During his career he has earned two World Titles (WBC Super Featherweight title—def. Azumah Nelson & IBA Lightweight title—def. Azumah Nelson.) Throughout his career he has spoken to over 100 schools and organizations around the State of Texas promoting education, health initiatives, and good moral values. He has retired, but continues to speak at various schools and youth camps motivating young men and women. Mr. Leija has also been inducted into the Latin Sports Hall of Fame and the Harlandale Alumni Hall of Fame.

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 Councilman, District 1; Ms. Kathy Garza, Community Representative; and Mike Gonzaba, Assistant Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation. In addition, as required by 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 two notices received in favor of the proposed name. The public hearing was held on Monday, May 8, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. in the Media Briefing Room at City Hall, located at 100 Military Plaza. None of the property or business owners

attended the hearing. The committee concurred to recommend to the City Council that the San Fernando Gym be renamed to "Jesse James Leija Gym."

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 signage, this action will place no demands on the City's General fund.

COORDINATION

This action was coordinated with the City Clerk's and the City Attorney's Offices.



Malcolm Matthews
Director of Parks and Recreation



Frances A. Gonzalez
Assistant City Manager

Approved for Council Consideration:



Sheryl Sculley
City Manager



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Notice of Public Meeting

**PROPOSED RENAMING OF SAN FERNANO GYMNASIUM
LOCATED AT 319 W. TRAVIS**

- The City of San Antonio will hold a public hearing on the proposal to rename San Fernando Gym, located at 310 W. Travis in City Council District 1, as the "*Jesse James Leija Gym*"
- The proposed name change is in recognition of Mr. Leija's community service in promoting education, health initiatives, and good moral values. He has been an active member of the community and has raised money for local programs and charities. Mr. Leija trained at this facility since the age of 19.
- On the date and time shown below, the Committee appointed by Councilman Roger O. Flores will meet to consider the suggested name change. This meeting will be open to the public and there will be time allotted during the meeting for public comment.

Date: Monday May 8, 2006
Time: 4:30 P. M.
Place: Media Briefing Room, City Hall
 100 Military Plaza, 1st Floor

- The City will hear comments for or against this proposed name
- The public may submit any other names for consideration; these must be received not later than July 9, 2004 at the address below
- For information, please contact the Department of Parks and Recreation:
 P.O. Box 839966
 San Antonio, Texas 78283
 or (210) 207-8480



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March 27, 2006

Roger O. Flores
Councilwoman District 1
100 Military Plaza
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Re: Renaming of San Fernando Gym to the "Jesse James Leija Gym"

Dear Mr. Flores:

Attached for consideration is a request to rename the San Fernando Gym to the "Jesse James Leija Gym". As Ordinance No. 88401 stipulates (attached), your request has been sent to the following individuals:

- Sheryl L. Sculley, City Manager
- Malcolm J. Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation
- Michael D. Bernard, City Attorney

In accordance with Ordinance No. 88401 a committee will need to be formulated to discuss all issues pertaining to the name change. The committee shall consist of Ms. Kathy Garza, Assistant Manager of Soap Works (community representative). As the subject facility is in District 1, it will be necessary for your office to take the lead in this matter. The committee shall meet on May 8, 2006 at 4:30 pm in the Media Briefing Room at City Hall.

Thanking you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leticia M. Vacek".

Leticia M. Vacek
City Clerk

Cc: Sheryl L. Sculley, City Manager
Malcolm J. Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation
Michael D. Bernard, City Attorney

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TO: Leticia Vacek, City Clerk

FROM: Councilman Roger O. Flores, District 1; Councilman Roland Gutierrez, District 3

COPIES TO: Mayor and Council; City Manager; City Attorney; Director of Parks & Recreation; Director of Asset Management; File

SUBJECT: Renaming of San Fernando Gym

DATE: March 21, 2006

In accordance with Ordinance No. 88401, we respectfully request your assistance in calling a committee meeting for the renaming of San Fernando Gym to the "Jesse James Leija Gym".

Throughout his professional boxing career, Mr. Leija has spoken at over 100 schools and organizations around the State of Texas promoting education, health initiatives, and good moral values. He has been an active member of the community and has raised money for local programs and charities, including the San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department.

Please send out notices for a committee meeting to take place on May 8, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. in the Media Briefing Room. Ms. Kathy Garza, Assistant Manager of Soap Works has accepted our request to serve as the community representative. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and should you have any questions, Laura Cabanilla-Cruz will be the point of contact.



Roger O. Flores
City Councilman, District 1



Roland Gutierrez
City Councilman, District 3

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