



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 73.

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON: OCTOBER 1, 2008

DEPARTMENT: LEISURE SERVICES
DIRECTOR: BILLIE BASTIAN, ACTING

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:
Discussion and possible action to name the park areas located at Durango Road and Riley Street and Durango Road and Tropical Parkway - Ward 6 (Ross)

Fiscal Impact:

No Impact Augmentation Required
 Budget Funds Available

Amount:
Funding Source:
Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

At the regular scheduled Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meeting held on August 13, 2008, the park naming subcommittee recommended a name for the park areas located at Durango Road and Riley Street and Durango Road and Tropical Parkway. Amenities included in Phase One of the park currently under construction include two lighted artificial turf lacrosse/sports fields, lighted pedestrian walks, lighted and paved driveways and parking lot, and restroom facilities. A vote by the Parks and Recreation Advisory commission was unanimous to recommend the name to City Council for review.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council approval

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

None

Motion made by STEVEN D. ROSS to Approve the name Thunderbird Family Sports Complex

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

BILLIE BASTIAN, Acting Director of Leisure Services, stated that at the regular Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting held on August 13th, the subcommittee recommended a name for the park areas located at Durango Road and Riley Street and Durango Road and Tropical Parkway. The vote was unanimous to approve a recommendation to the Council, naming the park areas Thunderbird Sports Complex.

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Responding to MAYOR GOODMAN'S query concerning if parks can be named after someone who is still living, CITY ATTORNEY BRAD JERBIC believed the State prohibits naming facilities after current members of Council but would confirm this information. The Mayor acknowledged COUNCILMEN BROWN and REESE as being fathers of parks within their wards and would like to see this honor take place for both of them.

COUNCILMAN ROSS thanked the Committee for their efforts. He agreed with the Mayor's assertion regarding the aforementioned Councilmen. These facilities encourage families to participate in leisure activities and are developed for the betterment of the community. In recognizing the Thunderbirds and Nellis Air Force Base, each component of the park will be named after one of the squadrons. In addition, he believed a family element should be incorporated into the name as well. With that, he recommended the name Thunderbird Family Sports Complex.

MAYOR GOODMAN noted that he would like to see a new baseball park within COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN'S ward have a new ballpark as that area is in dire need of one. The Councilwoman asked for the Mayor's assistance, as she was informed that this project is not included under Capital Improvements during time

