

## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM NO. H.1 06/25/2024

**SUBJECT**: Name the Sand Creek Sports Complex, dedicate and name the

championship field after Cecy Martinez, and approve the concept

design for the team photo area.

**DEPARTMENT**: Parks and Recreation

**STAFF:** Bruce Mulder, Director of Parks and Recreation

Aaron Wanden, Park Maintenance Manager

Tammy Homan, Management Analyst

### TITLE/RECOMMENDATION

On the recommendation of the Park and Recreation Commission, adopt a Resolution 1) officially naming the sports complex the "Sand Creek Sports Complex"; 2) dedicating and naming the championship field (Field #1) in the memory of Cecy Martinez; and 3) approving the design for the team photo area.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact with dedicating and naming the championship field in the memory of Cecy Martinez or assigning the complex the official name of Sand Creek Sports Complex. The Sand Creek Sports Complex, CIP Project 352-52446 ("Project"), is included in the adopted 2024/25 – 2028/29 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). It is estimated that the team photo improved area will cost approximately \$75,000, and has already been included in the consultant's construction estimate for the Project. The Project is funded by the General Fund, Parks and Trails Development Impact Fees and bond savings.

#### **BACKGROUND**

On June 12, 2001, City Council approved the Park and Recreation Commission recommendation for the Naming/Dedication of City Facilities policy.

At the second Community Input Meeting for the sports complex that was held on March 9, 2023, a number of community members attended asking to name/dedicate the facility in the memory of Cecy Martinez, a dedicated and beloved teacher and soccer coach within the community. A nomination form was submitted by the Liberty High School Boys Soccer (attached).



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On May 9, 2024, the Dedication/Naming of Facilities Ad-Hoc Committee that includes Commissioners Lind and Tomei, met with staff to discuss 1) a nomination received for Naming/Dedication of Facilities, 2) proposed official name for the Sand Creek Sports Complex, and 3) conceptual design for the team sport photo area.

At the May 23, 2024 Park and Recreation Commission meeting, the Dedication/Naming of Facilities Ad-Hoc Committee made the following recommendations:

- 1) Keep the name of the complex as Sand Creek Sports Complex. The Ad-Hoc Committee made this recommendation as this name helps guests to identify the location of the complex and meets the requirements of Council/Administrative Policy 50-1 Naming/Dedication of Facilities.
- 2) Name the championship soccer field (Field #1) after Cecy Martinez. Ms. Martinez graduated from Liberty High School and attended Cal State East Bay. Ms. Martinez was very active in the community of Brentwood and coached numerous students throughout her life. She was also a beloved school teacher who taught in Knightsen and Brentwood. In February 2023, she lost her fight with metastatic breast cancer and leaves behind many who love her and wish to memorialize her life.
- 3) For the sports team photo area, on April 30, 2024, staff met to review several conceptual designs submitted by Verde Designs and narrowed the options for the Ad-Hoc Committee to consider. The Ad-Hoc Committee recommended a final design that was considered by the full Commission and approved.

At the May 23, 2024 Park and Recreation Commission meeting, following public comment, Commission discussion and review of the Naming/Dedication of Facilities Policy, the Commission voted in favor of the recommendation as follows:

- 1) Keep the name of the complex as Sand Creek Sports Complex; and
- 2) Name Field #1, the Championship Field, after Cecy Martinez and hold a dedication ceremony; and
- 3) Approve photo area design as attached.

#### CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Not Applicable.



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### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

Previous Action by the City Council is included on Attachment 1.

### **DATE OF NOTICE**

Not Applicable.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

Not Applicable.

### **ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S)**

Alternative Options to the Staff Recommendation:

- 1. Do not approve staff's recommendations. This could result in a delay in finalizing bid documents for the Project and additional associated costs.
- 2. Modify staff's recommendation.
- 3. Continue item with direction for staff to return with additional information.

# ATTACHMENT(S)

- 1. Previous Action
- 2. Resolution
- 3. Policy 50-1 Naming/Dedication of City Facilities
- 4. Naming/Dedication of City Facilities Nomination Form
- 5. Team Photo Area Concept