



City of Milpitas
 Facilities Naming Subcommittee
 Committee Conference Room
 Wednesday, June 20, 2007

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

- I. Flag Salute:** Vice Mayor Livengood led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Call to Order:** Vice Mayor Livengood called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- Attendees: Vice Mayor Bob Livengood
- Staff: Mark Rogge, CIP Manager, Staff Liaison, City of Milpitas
 Tom Williams, City Manager
 Bonnie Greiner, Parks & Recreation Manager
 Leslie Stobbe, Public Information
- Public: Mr. & Mrs. De Jesus, Carmen Montano, Gurdev "Dave" Sandhu
- III. Public Forum:** Carmen Montano asked about the membership of the Subcommittee. Vice Mayor Livengood replied that it was Councilmember Armando Gomez and Vice Mayor Livengood. Other people are invited if they have interest agenda items. The Subcommittee differs from a Commission in that there can only be two members of Council and there are not several members of the Community appointed.
- Carmen asked about the previous issue of naming something for Cesar Chavez. The City named a "Cesar Chavez Day", and named the Community Garden for Cesar Chavez. There are no other pending actions. Carmen was advised that she could complete a nomination form if she would like to suggest further actions.
- IV. Announcements**
- V. Items for Discussion / Action**
- A. Old Business:**
- 1. Consideration of naming the BART Station near Calaveras & Milpitas Blvd "Midtown" or "Downtown" (City Council request).**
- After Consideration of the information, the Subcommittee approved sending a naming recommendation to name the future (unfunded) BART Station, near Calaveras & Milpitas Blvd., "Milpitas Downtown BART Station" to the City Council.



2. Valley Health Center – Historical Plaques – Update.

The County has awarded the construction contract for the new Valley Health Center and west parking garage to S.J. Amoroso Construction, and authorized the completion of the purchase of the property from the City RDA. There was no further information on this item.

3. Citizen Request for Acknowledgment Plaque at City Hall lobby – Update. See attachments A3 and DRAFT Policy Guidelines.

Staff gave a brief introduction relating to the Council's request for policy guidelines and a specific location for a comprehensive plaque acknowledging: Citizen of the year, Firefighter of the year, Police Officer of the year, and the Gene Schwab Memorial, "Service Above Self" City Employee of the year, to be displayed in the City Hall Lobby. Staff provided a draft set of guidelines, (see attached), and a photo indicating a large plaque and title could be installed on the wall just south of the entrance to the first floor Committee Room. To accommodate this the defibulator and associated sign would be relocated to the column near the public information counter, and the room sign with agenda holder would be relocated to the north side of the door. The Fire Department was consulted and approved the new location for the defibulator.

The Subcommittee recommended that the draft guidelines and display location be brought to the City Council for approval.

4. Public Parks (see attachment A4):

a) Confirm 3 Public Park names – McDermott, Evatt and O'Toole Elms.

Staff showed a map with the location of the three new parks. The Subcommittee had made the naming recommendations at the March 21, FNCS meeting, and asked staff to contact family members for their consent. Staff had contacted: Betty McDermott, who was pleased with the park name selection for John McDermott Park; and Tom Evatt's daughter, who was pleased with the park name selection for Tom Evatt Park. Staff could not locate any surviving O'Toole relatives, however, O'Toole Elms is the historic name of the original elm trees that once lined the driveway to the former estate.

Staff also brought these three parks names to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Commission on April 2 for their review.

The Subcommittee recommended that these three park names be brought to the City Council for approval and directed Staff to provide a brief presentation on the significance of the names. John McDermott served the City in many ways including collaborating on the City's seal and producing the original artwork for



the City Seal. Tom Evatt was the first Mayor of Milpitas. The O'Toole Elms lined the driveway to the former estate, which later became an almshouse and is currently the Elmwood Correctional Facility.

b) Name 3 Public Parks – in area of Parc Metro. See attachments A4.b.

Staff provided a map indicating the three small public parks within the Parc Metro residential development, along with names suggested by their homeowners association: Children's Park, Metropolitan Park, and Railway Park.

The Subcommittee requested additional information about other small parks within Milpitas and asked the Parks and Recreation Manager, Bonnie Greiner, to put together a list of these parks along with a more comprehensive plan on whether to identify, name, and sign the smaller public parks. Staff will report back to the FNSC so that a more comprehensive approach can be developed and sent to the City Council.

B. New Business:

NOMINATIONS

1. Michael De Jesus family nomination & request. See attachments B1.

Staff presented information on the family request. Mr. and Mrs. De Jesus spoke of their son Michael's love of sports, frequenting several Milpitas ball-fields including those at Peter Gill Park, near their home. They spoke of the achievements their son had made in his life and they also spoke of the significant contribution made by the donation of organs from their late son.

The Subcommittee asked about other sports fields that are named in the City. Bonnie Greiner recalled a few fields that are currently named for people. Based upon the testimony and information provided, including a suggestion to name a ball-field at Gill Park, the Subcommittee requested that Staff focus on that recommendation and come back with additional information on naming sports fields, with a specific location to honor Michael De Jesus.

2. Amritpal "Paul" S. Sandhu family nomination & request. See attachments B2.

Staff presented information on the family request. The Subcommittee asked about a possible scholarship. Mr. Gurdev "Dave" Sandhu spoke of his son Amritpal "Paul" and said that he was planning a scholarship to memorialize his son. The Subcommittee asked that Mr. Sandhu work with Bonnie Greiner on a recommendation focused around Paul's participation in the Milpitas Teen Center, and return with more information.



3. Manuel Pimentel family nomination & request. See attachment B3.

Staff presented information provided by the family on the nomination form. The Subcommittee recommended that this name be added to the list of potential streets and facilities names for City Council approval.

4. Edward Cavallini nomination & request. See attachment B4.

Robert Keely nomination & request. See attachment B5.

Josephine Guerrero nomination & request. See attachment C1.

The Subcommittee heard all three of these requests together, since they each relate to naming a room at the new library. The Subcommittee concurred with the concept of naming rooms at the new library for these individuals, each of whom had made significant contributions to the library and to the community as a whole. The Subcommittee requested that staff convene a meeting with the proponents to coordinate which rooms would be named and return the recommendation to the Subcommittee.

5. Army Spec. Dooneway White nomination (City Council request).

Staff presented information provided by the Aunt and Uncle of Army Spec. Dooneway White. Staff also stated that along with all the other street name requests, the City's Public Safety Dispatch was contacted for review to avoid names that may impact public safety. There is already a White Court in Milpitas. When Staff spoke with the White family they indicated that the (first) name Dooneway was an important name in their family, with significance to their heritage in the Philippines.

The Subcommittee recommended adding Dooneway to the list of potential streets names with the indication of adding the flag insignia to honor his service as a Veteran, and to encourage the selection of this name for the next street. Vice Mayor Livengood also requested that staff add an item to the next City Council agenda to consider a more recognizable and appropriate design for street signs named for Veterans.

6. Francisco Silvira Gomes family nomination & request. See attachment B7.

Staff presented information provided by the family on the nomination form. The Subcommittee recommended that this name be added to the list of potential streets and facilities names for City Council approval.



C. PLAQUES & SIGNS

1. **Starlite Park founder's sign** – request from family of Janet Brabson. See attachment C2. This item was pulled at the request of the proponent, until she can get more information and develop her proposal.

VI. Set Next Meeting Date: August 22, 2007

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM

Attachments: FNSC Minutes 3/21/2007, Agenda, A3, Policy Guidelines, A4, A4-b, B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B7, C1, C2, Potential Street, Parks Facilities Names

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Special Interest Team
City Streets, Parks, and Facilities Naming Suggestion Form

Please include relevant information and fill out all blanks in a clear legible manner. Forms with incomplete or missing information may limit their consideration. Submit form to the City Clerk.

General:

Request submitted by: Barbara Gomes 6-4-07
Nominator's Name (first, last) Date

1209 Park View Dr. Milpitas, Calif 95035 408-942-1492
Nominator's Address (No., street, State, zip code) Phone Numbers

I request that Francisco Silveira Gomes name be considered
Nominee's Full Name or Word (as applicable)

when naming a City (STREET) PARK, BUILDING, or other FACILITY
Circle one or more (as applicable)

Information about Nominee:

1869-1937 El Camino Niguera
Date of Birth "Alive" or Date Deceased? Original Home Address Later Home Address (if applicable)

Orchardist
Major Occupation(s) Original Business Address Later Business Address (if applicable)

farmers were not drafted because they provide food for the country
Veteran's Status (if applicable): Branch of Military Service, Rank, Service Years War, Conflict Battle, or Theatre Honors

Background:

Briefly describe why this nominee should be honored. Describe historical information, Veteran's status, significant service to the community, special contribution to arts, sciences, humanities, literature, athletics, or other notable accomplishments, or other relevant information. Attach separate sheet if necessary.

Separate sheet attached with pictures & maps of their property.

What is your (nominator's) relationship to the nominee? (Relative) co-worker, friend, associate, etc.)
Granddaughter

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Please include relevant information and fill out all blanks in a clear legible manner. Forms with incomplete or missing information may limit their consideration. Submit form to the City Clerk.

General:

Request submitted by: Jeanne Pimentel Souza 5/14/07
Nominator's Name (first, last) Date

437 So. Main St. Milpitas, Ca 95035 408-262-5868
Nominator's Address (No., street, State, zip code) Phone Numbers

I request that Manuel Pimentel name be considered
Nominee's Full Name or Word (as applicable)

when naming a City STREET PARK, BUILDING, or other FACILITY
Circle one or more (as applicable)

Information about Nominee:

3/1/1920 alive Calaveras Rd. Ethyl St.
Date of Birth "Alive" or Date Deceased Original Home Address Later Home Address (if applicable)

Fireman Hired in Milpitas 1955-1977 Milpitas Fire Dept.
Major Occupation(s) Original Business Address Later Business Address (if applicable)

US Army Corporal WWII 1942-1945 European Theatre Iceland
Veteran's Status (if applicable) Branch of Military Service, Rank, Service Years War, Conflict, Battle, or Theatre Honors

Background:

Briefly describe why this nominee should be honored. Describe historical information, Veteran's status, significant service to the community, special contribution to arts, sciences, humanities, literature, athletics, or other notable accomplishments, or other relevant information. Attach separate sheet if necessary.

My uncle Manuel Pimentel was the first fireman hired by the City of Milpitas. He worked from 1955 to 1977. He retired with 22 years of service to the city. He was born and raised in Milpitas.

What is your (nominator's) relationship to the nominee? uncle (Relative, co-worker, friend, associate, etc.)

My grandparents came to Milpitas in 1906 from Azores Islands. They were share croppers on the