

RENAMING METZ RECREATION CENTER



BACKGROUND

- Resolution No. 20171005-31 resulted in a 2018 Equity Office report which identified Metz Recreation Center as a name that required context due to association with the Confederacy.
- Resolution 20171011-05a from the Women's Commission offered guidance on renaming.
- With these resolutions in mind, City Council passed resolution 20191205-117 on December 5, 2019, initiating the renaming process under City Code Section 14-1-39 for the renaming of Metz Recreation Center to Rodolfo "Rudy" Mendez Recreation Center.

PROCESS

- City Council is deemed to have submitted a nomination for renaming Metz Recreation Center via passage of Resolution No. 20191205-117.
- PARD completed a community engagement process which included an online and in-person survey tool and two community meetings held February 29 and March 3.
- The survey tool had 336 respondents with 97% supporting the proposed name change; 9 respondents indicated that they did not want the facility name to change.
- Complete breakdown of engagement information has been provided to you for review via memo.

PROCESS

- The Parks and Recreation Board shall make a written recommendation and provide a copy of the recommendation to the City Manager.
- The City Manager shall provide each Council Member a copy of the recommendation and place an item on the council's agenda as soon as practicable after the Parks and Recreation Board makes its recommendation.

ASK

The Parks and Recreation Board make a written recommendation to the City Council regarding the proposed renaming of the Metz Recreation Center to the Rodolfo "Rudy" Mendez Recreation Center.