Renaming Ordinance Workgroup Proposed Changes

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Why?

- Current process and timeline is unclear
- Cost and staffing burden to PARD
- Lack of community engagement in naming process

Summary of Recommended Changes

- Required more robust and transparent community engagement process
- Removed ability for parks and park facilities to be named after individuals and encourage naming park features instead
- Encourage naming parks and park facilities after geographical, historical, or cultural surroundings
- Outlined timeline for the entire naming/renaming application and approval process
- Require costs to be made known to applicants up-front to protect PARB budget

Moving Forward

 Recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Board that Austin City Council incorporate the recommended changes to Ordinance 20160324-021 in order to make the naming and renaming process more transparent, more efficient, and less costly for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Questions and Discussion