



Application for Naming a Park Feature

Please follow the instructions below when submitting an application for naming or renaming a feature.

1. Complete the application by providing detailed information about the park feature to be named or renamed. Please include any supplemental information such as articles, letters of support and signature list with the application. The application must contain documentation of public support for the proposed name. Public support materials must be provided to the Parks and Recreation Department.
2. Please provide payment of the Application Fee, \$365.00 in the form of a cashier's check. Checks should be made out to City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department and submitted with the application.
3. A Sign Fabrication Fee in the amount of \$940.00 will apply, should the Parks and Recreation Director approve the application. A cashier's check should be made out to City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department.
4. Send all submittals to: Austin Parks and Recreation Department, Attn: Christine Chute Canul, 919 W 28th 1/2 St. Austin, TX 78705
5. Questions may be directed to Christine Chute Canul via email: christine.canul@austintexas.gov or by phone: (512) 974-9515

Current Name of Park where Park Feature is located:

George Morales Dove Springs Recreation Center

Nominated Name for the Park Feature:

Gymnasium

Identify Type of Park Feature to be named:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Playground	<input type="checkbox"/>	Splash Pad	<input type="checkbox"/>	Basketball/ Tennis/ Volleyball Court
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ball Field	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pavillion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other

If other is selected, please specify:

Gymnasium

If nominating the name of an individual, include a biographical description of nominee (if the nomination is not an individual's name, justification for the suggested name):

Born in Los Angeles, California, D'Wayne Anderson, spent his childhood growing up in New York and internationally. His love for recreation and nature began in Belize, where he enjoyed fishing, camping and various outdoor activities with family and friends. As a teen, D'Wayne excelled as an athlete and leader at Wiesbaden High School in Germany. After graduating high school, D'Wayne returned to the United States and began pursuing a career in recreational and youth development programs, working specifically with at-risk youth and teens in underserved communities.

Describe how the individual has provided a valuable contribution and creditable service to the park system and the city (include the person's involvement, and connection, if any, to the Park Feature or to the activity for which the park feature will or is being used):

D'Wayne Anderson retired from the City of Austin (COA) in 2021 with over twenty-three (23) years of service and was an integral part of the Austin Parks and Recreation Department (PAR) serving in increasing roles of responsibility. During his tenure, D'Wayne provided leadership, mentoring and support through recreational, educational and cultural programs and services to the Austin community and fellow COA employees. D'Wayne was the supervisor of the George Morales Dove Springs Recreation Center (GM-DSRC) for eight (8) years prior to his retirement. As the GM-DSRC supervisor, he demonstrated political awareness, critical thinking, community connection and creativity as he managed citizen concerns, led community engagements, facilitated program initiatives and created professional development opportunities for employees. Some of D'Wayne's career highlights and accomplishments in the Dove Springs community include: Enhancing the quality of life for youth, teens, adults and senior citizens; Mentoring and development of at-risk youth, teens, and young adults, including many who succeeded in completing high school and continuing their education to pursue careers in recreation, education and other fields; Managing a facility and staff that played an essential role in providing resources, support and sheltering to displaced Dove Springs residents during the Onion Creek floods (2013 and 2015) and other natural disasters.

If the basis of the nomination is a culturally significant contribution, provide a description of the cultural, geographic, or historic significance to the surrounding area or community in which the feature exists:

NA

Name of requester:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:

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