

March 31, 2020

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am Sylvia Carreon, president of the Mission Valley Civic Association and Lomaland Neighborhood Association. I also represent District 7 on the Parks Advisory Board.

The parks Board met on Feb. 10th, with several presentations given by city staff as well as receiving information that Mr. Tracy Novack had retired that same day, which was a shock to me! The Park naming sub-committee met prior to our meeting & when the item (7b) came before discussion and action, the sub-committee already voted in favor, but when it came to the Board Vote, I abstained in order to further study the application. The name "Valle Bajo" is not acceptable to me and others in the Mission Valley Planning Area for a building that will be a Big icon in the Mission Valley.

The name "Valle Bajo" is the Spanish translation for Lower Valley and we who live and work in the Mission Valley have been asking for some time now, not to refer to all areas south of the Freeway as "Lower Valley". There are many more appropriate names that can be used to name the Community Center as suggestions have come my way as: Cedar Grove Community Center, Riverside CC, Gran Valle CC, Rangers CC, The Valley CC, etc, etc. Webster's Dictionary of

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Attached please find Petitions from presidents of 10 neighborhood associations in the Mission Valley Planning Area, over 250 signatures. Also letters of support from Fabiola Campos Lopez, president of the Corridor 20 Civic Association and one from YISD trustee from Bel Air. No one agrees with this Name!

Attached also is email communication from me to Mr. Cassandra Hernandez asking her to postpone the item to give us an opportunity to speak with her on this item. She did not respond last.

Ms. Hernandez is the applicant on the Renaming of the Center and she and her staff were the ones who obtained the signatures. Who would not sign under those circumstances! The power of the Office Dist. 3 Also, yesterday at council meeting, she stated she had vetted the names for the Library and the Gym. This is not correct. Ms Hernandez is taking her office to control everything in her District. This Alameda Recreation Center was voted on by work done by Ana Duenes & her neighborhood to place the Center on the 2012 Bond. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THIS ITEM TO MOVE FORWARD. THANK YOU

Thank you:



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March 27, 2020

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To: Mayor of El Paso and City Council

From: Sylvia Carreon: president of the Mission Valley Civic Association
Fabiola Campos Lopez: president of the Corridor 20 Civic Association

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