

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

AGENDA DATE: April 19, 2016

CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Tracy Novak, Director (212-1708)

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: District 5

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 4 - Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural, and Educational Environments;

SUBJECT:

Approve a Resolution to rename Tierra Del Este #62 Park located at 14341 English Point Avenue, El Paso, Texas, 79938 to Officer Adrian Arellano Park.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The naming of parks and recreation facilities follows a Council adopted policy. The Applicant provided the naming application, citizen support petitions, and research. The Naming Subcommittee and the entire Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) reviewed the naming application. Consensus was reached and the PRAB recommends naming the park "Officer Adrian Arellano Park." Attached please find background materials.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The cost of signage related to the naming shall be borne by the applicant, per the Council policy

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board voted unanimously on April 11, 2016 to forward the naming application to City Council for consideration with a recommendation to approve.

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council accept the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to rename the Tierra Del Este Park #62 located at 14341 English Point Avenue within the City of El Paso, El Paso County Texas, as further described in "Attachment A", as **OFFICER ADRIAN ARELLANO PARK**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

THAT the Park, located at 14341 English Point Avenue located within the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, as further described in Attachment "A", shall henceforth be renamed and known as **OFFICER ADRIAN ARELLANO PARK**; and,

THAT Dr. Michiel R. Noe ("Applicant") shall incur the customary costs associated with the renaming of a park, such as installing or replacing signs with the park name or any other signs posted or affixed to a facility. Any proposed signs shall be acceptable to both the Parks and Recreation Department and Applicant. (District 5)

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2016.

CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leeser
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Juan S. Gonzalez
Assistant City Attorney

Tracy Novak, Director
Parks and Recreation Department



City of El Paso PARK NAMING/CHANGING Application



Applicant Information

Please print or type the information in black ink

Applicant Name: Michiel R. Noe

Mailing Address: 300 N. Campbell 2nd floor City: El Paso Zip: 79901

Home Phone: 915-212-0005 Work Phone: 915-212-1021 Cell Phone: 915-252-0938

Email Address: jimenezcm1@elpasotexas.gov

Organization COEP District 5 Non-Profit

Proposed Name / Change

Park/Facility Location/Address: 14341 English Point Avenue El Paso, TX 79938

Current name of Park or Facility: Tierra del Este #62 Not Applicable

Officer Adrian Arellano Park

Suggested Name: _____

Category: _____

- Outstanding Individual(s)**
Acknowledges the sustained contribution that has been made by such individual(s) to the City of El Paso and/or the development and management of the City's park and recreation system.
- Common usage Identifying the Neighborhood**
Acknowledges the geographic location or common name that gives a particular identity to a neighborhood.
- Historical Event, Person, Place**
Preserves and honors the history of El Paso, its founders, other historical figures or local landmarks.
- Natural or Geographical Feature to the area**
Acknowledges a prominent or unique natural or geological feature in the surrounding area.
- Benefit/Organization Acknowledgement**
Major gift, acknowledges the significant benefit of a donation
- Other**
Describe:

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PARKS AND RECREATION

STAFF ONLY

Date Received by PARD: 2-29-2016

Date of Committee Meeting: 4-4-2016

Date of PRAB Meeting: 4-11-2016

Date of City Council Meeting: 4-19-2016

First of all he was born in Juarez, Chihuahua and came to the United States at the age of 4. His parents wanted a better life for Adrian and his older brother and they came to El Paso in hope for a better future for them.

His father is a welder and mother a homemaker. He was the second born of 4 children. He has an older and younger brother and younger sister.

They were poor by many means and had every obstacle to face, from a language barrier (only spoke Spanish) to the unfortunate Mexican mentality that okay is good enough, but Adrian knew even at a young age that there were no excuses or circumstances that would ever stand between him and what he planned to accomplish.

He went to Ramona Elementary where he excelled as a student, never missing the honor roll. He was talented in writing that he won creative writing and poetry contests. He was head captain of the Safety Patrol. It was at Ramona, in the 3rd grade when he said he realized what he wanted to do when he grew up. As part of the safety patrol, he was a crossing guard and there was an incident when a car ran over the feet of a child at the school and Adrian without hesitation ran after the car that had left the scene. He got the plates of the car and called the police. He said he didn't want an award, he was just helping a friend but of course parents said otherwise and Channel 26 had him on their station where they presented him with an award.

At Riverside Middle he was a National Junior Honor Society Member and pursued his other talent, Art.

At Socorro High School he won the Gold Key West Texas Regional Scholastic Art Competition, an award he greatly treasured because he had 3000+ competitors. There he played football & baseball. He graduated in 1995.

He was the first in his family to attend college. He went to UTEP and Community College first majoring in Studio Art-Graphic design then changed to criminal justice-law enforcement.

He loved to draw but his heart was always with helping people.

He applied for the police department and graduated in August of 2004.

In 2006, classified as a rookie, he was transferred into a specialized unit, something very uncommon for a rookie to accomplish.

There he received numerous 'Division Commendations' and 'Chief's Awards,' officer of the month in 2008 and in 2013 received a unit commendation for his efforts, along with his partners, to reduce the crime rate in the region.

He took immense pride in his privilege of serving the community as a police officer, always trying to help people, even those he would apprehend. He would check up on individuals he had arrested to make sure they were behaving themselves and tried to talk to them about living a better life for not only themselves but for their families, especially to those who had children. He would tell them that their kids needed them at home and not in jail.

At his funeral, I spoke to at least 20+ individuals (whom I had not heard of or met) who were there to pay their respects to this officer, my husband who had helped them during a call and continued to even after.

One example is of a mother and her daughter who were in tears that they had lost their friend. They introduced themselves and said they had to be there because Adrian had made such a huge impact on their lives. He would check up on them every chance he got to make sure they were still okay after

whatever incident had taken him to their home initially. When he could he would stop by to check on them, take them food or give them whatever money he had in his pocket. They said that made them feel so safe.

Another young guy said this cop had treated him with respect and helped him see he was better than what he was doing and that he should just stay in school.

But this wasn't uncommon for him to do, you could ask anyone and at some point Adrian had offered whatever he could to help someone out, always never expecting anything in return. That was just his heart, always giving even if it was his last dollar in his wallet or asking me to make him an extra lunch so he could share with someone he knew needed it.

He loved to work where ever there was going to be people. He worked parades, bazaars and festivals. Talking to people and really interacting with the community was important to him. Vendors and volunteers from Mt. Carmel, Corpus Christi and St. Matthew bazaars were also at his funeral to pay their respects to Officer Arellano or el oficial that they came to call their friend.

He worked nights and during the day is when he would work as an escort for the funeral homes. He felt honored escorting the departed to their final resting place. Family members and friends of the deceased would talk to him and thank him for his service, but Adrian honestly was more proud to be there and would talk to whom ever wanted to share something with him. He would come home and tell me great stories about what he had learned about the person and would pray for them to rest in peace. What many would not guess about Adrian is that he was a very religious man and had great faith in his God. He didn't fear death, he said when it was his time, it was his time.

As a husband he left me without a need or a want for anything, as a father he was the best example of what a man should be...hard working, kind, honest, loyal, faithful, compassionate and giving. I don't just say these great things about him because he was my husband, but because of these great qualities he had is who I fell in love with and took him as my husband with great pride.

We met on August 2, 2003 and on September 27th we were engaged. It was truly love at first sight.

There was never any hesitation or fear that it was too soon, it just felt right.

In December we decided to start adding to our family and 9 months later our son was born.

We did everything together, or tried to at least. Because of his work schedule, we measured our time together as quality not quantity.

As a family we would go night fishing, camping, riding in the dirt at red sands, cookouts, movies, shopping, spontaneous road trips and laying out at night looking at the stars.

He loved to play sports, football, baseball, softball, golf and tennis. He was the coach for the Valley Heat softball team (a law enforcement league) for the past 10 years I think it's been and played with the law enforcement football leagues too. Anything to do with being outdoors, he was there.



PARK NAMING/CHANGING FORM

Citizen Support



Suggested Name: Adriano Arellano








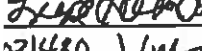






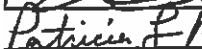
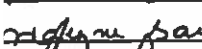

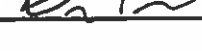



List eligible members of the public who support the nomination:
Include name, address, telephone number and signature of fifty (50) individuals, ages 18 years or older who live within a mile radius of the park/facility.

Name	Address	Phone Number	Signature
Margaret A. Arellano			
Robert Gomez			
Viviane Charan			
Mirville Stewart			
Azucena Ramirez			
Lorena Pablo			
Nayely Ruiz			
Branda Lora			
Albert Ortiz			
Anthony Billi			
Fernando Molina			
JOSE A GOMEZ			
Roxso Hernandez			
JOSE MORALES			
ROSA CAMPOS			
LUIS E. GARCIA			
SAL TORRES			
Manuel Moreno			
Amanda Calkley			
Chris Oakley			
Justine Franco			

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Name	Address	Phone Number	Signature
Maura Marquez			
Jeb Fannin			
Edgar Martinez			
Dallas Sloan			
Cynthia Chavez			
Ruben Velasco			
Patricia Velasco			
Patricia Garcia			
Carl Hernandez			
Macias Verandik		31480	
Kathleen Fallon			
Gladis Fallon			
LESAZIO PORTO GARCIA			
Melinda Mata			
Samuel Soto			
Daniel Avitia			
Saubiddhi Linkal			
Patricia L Mares			
Maryalis Garcia			
Maria Lopez			
Yeyes Lara			



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Christophe Page			
Cipriano Campuzano			
Rene Rodriguez			
Mark Lopez			
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Alejandro Tejo			
Natasha Jones			
Angel Alvaraz			
Dana Alvaraz			
Jonathan Quiley			
Felicio Acosta			
Virgilio A. Davila			
Georgina Arambulo			
Michelle Percival			
Edward Percival			
Bailey Vonnale			
Alexa Ramonita			
Sergio Gomez			
Eidel Canobis			
Mario Aguilera			



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