

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council accept the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to rename the Murchison Park located at 1600 Scenic Drive within the City of El Paso, El Paso County Texas, as further described in "Attachment A", as **MURCHISON ROGERS PARK**.

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

THAT the Park, located at 1600 Scenic Drive located within the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, as further described in Attachment "A", shall henceforth be renamed and known as **MURCHISON ROGERS PARK**; and,

THAT Mayor Oscar Leeser ("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. (Office of the Mayor).

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leeser
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Juan S. Gonzalez
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Tracy Novak, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

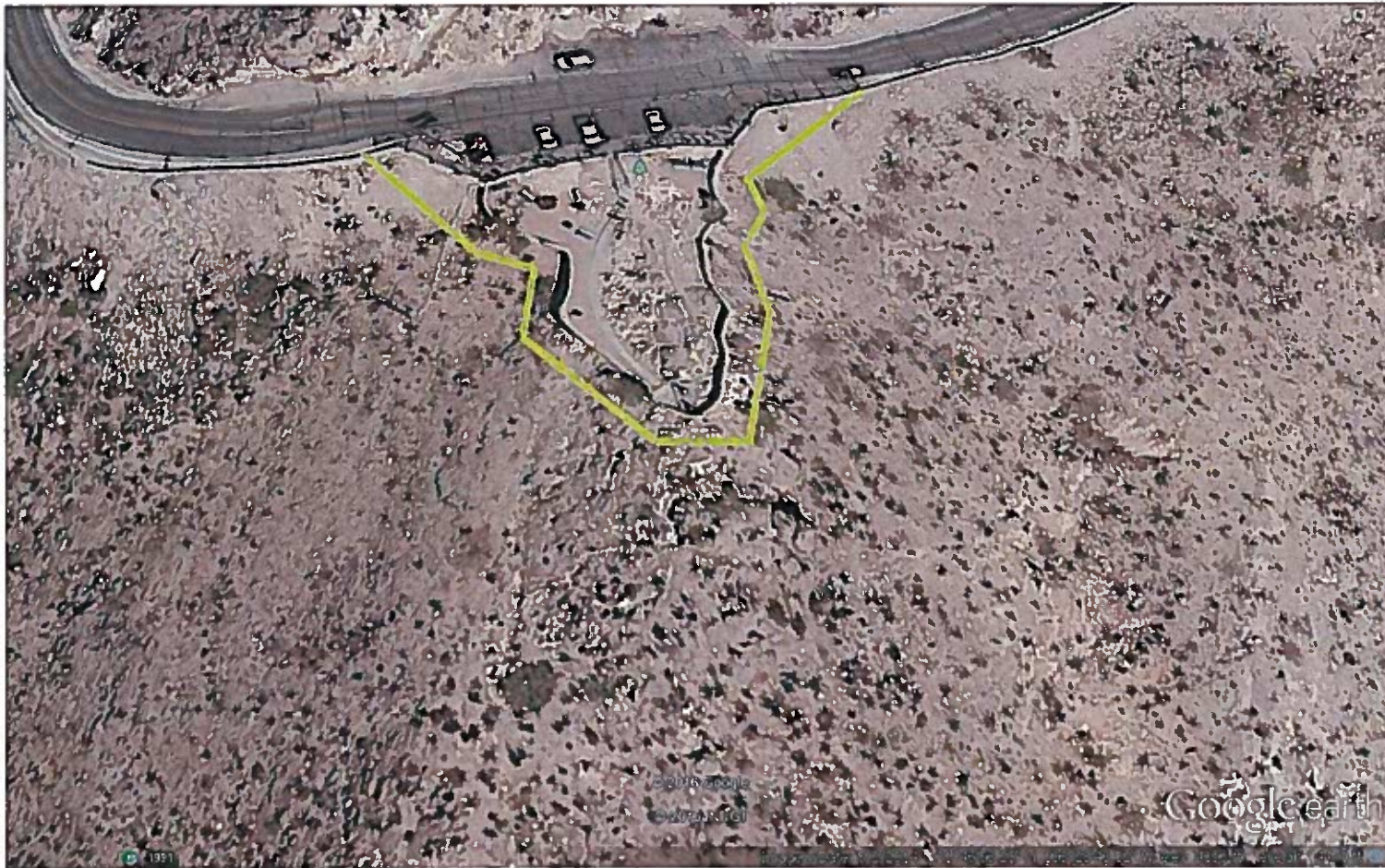
Attachment "A"

SERVICE SOLUTIONS SUCCESS



Overhead View

1600 Scenic Drive





Park Naming





Proposed Name / Change

Murchison Rogers Park

Murchison Park is located at 1600 Scenic Drive - 79902



Location



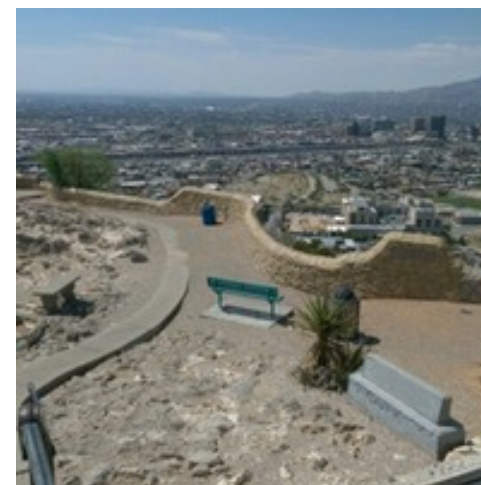


Overhead View





The Park





Amenities at the Park

This is an overlook park on Scenic Drive

- Flags
- Telescopes
- Benches
- State Historic Monument
- Parking
- Trash Receptacles



Park Naming Process

- The established protocols/procedures are guiding this process:
 - 63 signatures of support were obtained; all have been verified to live within a (1) mile radius.



Letter of Support

Dear Parks and Recreation,

My grandmother, Louise Beach Murchison, donated Murchison Park on Scenic drive to The City of El Paso through the Women's Chamber of Commerce. She dedicated it to my grandfather, Samuel Macintosh Murchison after he passed away in 1963.

I have initiated a project to refurbish the park and make it more user friendly with ADA ramps, among other improvements.


I would like to add "Rogers" to the name of the park to honor my father, Jonathan Woodruff Rogers. My father is the only mayor in El Paso's history to be re-elected for four consecutive terms. It has been nearly 30 years since his term, and his name is still referred to regularly.

He gave back to the city with not only his eight years as mayor, but also by not accepting a salary during his tenure. UTEP, Texas Tech and The Paul Foster School of Medicine are just a few of the institutions in El Paso that have benefitted generously from the philanthropy of my father and my mother.

By adding the name "Rogers" to make it The Murchison Rogers Park, we are actually recognizing them both.

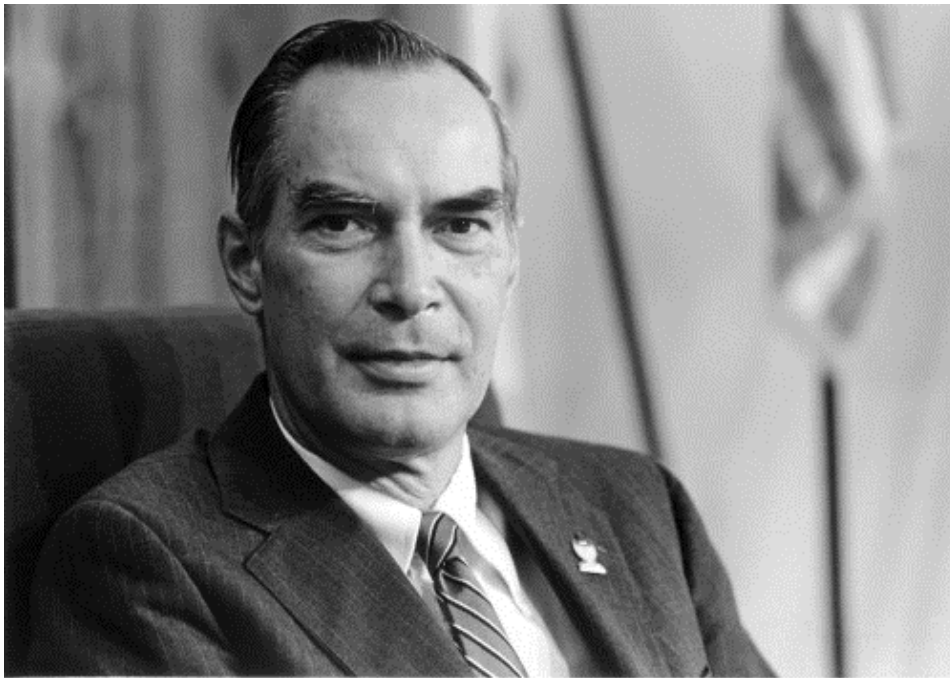
Thank you for your time.

Patricia (Isha) Murchison Rogers


5/24/17



Jonathan Rogers



- Only Mayor of El Paso to be re-elected to four consecutive terms (1981-89).
- Civic and Community involvement like the El Paso Community Foundation, UTEP, and Texas Tech.



QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

