

**MEMO TO**: Members of the City Council

**FROM**: Mayor John Marchione

**DATE:** April 16, 2019

SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Relating to the Naming of Public Parks and Park

and Recreation Related Facilities

#### I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt a resolution repealing Resolution No. 874 and replacing it with a resolution offering more flexibility in recognizing unusually outstanding service.

# II. <u>DEPARTMENT CONTACTS</u>

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#### III. DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND

Redmond City Council adopted Resolution No. 874 in 1991, which established policies and procedures for the naming of public parks and recreation related facilities. This resolution sets criteria (Section 1(5) that allows individuals who contributed outstanding civic service to the City of Redmond and have been deceased for a period of at least two years to be considered for having parks and recreational facilities be named in their honor.

Community members have requested that the City waive the two-year waiting period. Additionally, staff have heard from other community members who are in favor of maintaining the two-year waiting period to allow for community input and avoid emotional responses.

In February, the Parks and Human Services Committee of the Whole asked staff to bring back potential language for consideration that provide the City Council flexibility related to the two-year waiting period. Staff has performed a policy analysis of peer cities and national models to understand how these issues are handled in other jurisdictions. The attached resolution allows City Council to have more flexibility regarding the two-year waiting period by adding the following language.

"In the case of unusually outstanding service over at least fifteen years, City Council may waive the two-year waiting period by a super-majority (5/7) vote. "

## IV. PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS HELD

Parks and Human Services Committee February 5, 2019
Parks and Human Services Committee April 2, 2019

In addition, the Parks and Trails Commission was briefed at their December 7, 2018 and January 10, 2019 meetings regarding this item.

#### V. IMPACT

A. Service/Delivery:

None

**B.** Fiscal Note:

None

## VI. <u>ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION</u>

The City Council may approve, reject or suggest staff make changes to the proposed resolution.

## VII. <u>TIME CONSTRAINTS</u>

None

### VIII. <u>LIST OF ATTACHMENTS</u>

Attachment A: Resolution No. 874 Attachment B: Proposed Resolution

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Rachel Van Winkle, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation

Approved for Agenda \_\_\_\_\_

John Marchione, Mayor

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