

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-033**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF COCOA, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE  
RENAMING OF CIRCLE PARK TO JIM WALLEN  
PARK; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR  
INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS; AND PROVIDING  
AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-9 of the City Code provides that the Cocoa City Council has the sole authority to name city buildings, parks and streets and establishes criteria for consideration of such names; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. James (“Jim”) Wallen served as a City Councilmember of the City of Cocoa for 6 years from 1979 to 1981 and 1983 to 1986 and also served the Cocoa community as a teacher for 37 years, teaching developmentally disabled children at Kennedy Middle School and adult education at Brevard Community College; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Wallen also regularly served the Cocoa community by volunteering with various organizations, including The Daily Bread, a nonprofit dedicated to the hungry and the needy, The Sharing Center, Meals on Wheels, the March of Dimes, the Salvation Army, and the Special Olympics; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to rename Circle Park on Manor Drive in the City of Cocoa to Jim Wallen Park in honor of Mr. Wallen’s outstanding civic service to the City of Cocoa and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined this Resolution is in the best interests of the City of Cocoa.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA**, as follows:

**SECTION 1. Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are hereby fully incorporated herein by this reference and are deemed a material part of this Resolution.

**SECTION 2. Renaming of Park.** The City of Cocoa City Council hereby approves the renaming of Circle Park, located on Manor Drive in the City of Cocoa, to “Jim Wallen Park.”

**SECTION 3. Further Actions.** The City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to take any further action as necessary to implement the name change to Jim Wallen Park.

**SECTION 4. Repeal of Prior Inconsistent Resolution.** All prior resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

**SECTION 5.** **Effective date.** This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida, in a regular meeting assembled on the 27th day of April, 2021.

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Michael Blake, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Carie Shealy, MMC, City Clerk