



Legislation Text

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Memo Date: April 14, 2021
Agenda Date: April 27, 2021
Prepared By: Nancy A. Bunt, Community Services Director
Through: Lavander Hearn, District 2 Councilman
Requested Action:
Approval of Resolution 2021-**, Adopting "Jim Wallen Park" as the Park Name for Circle Park.

BACKGROUND:

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. 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 as Vice Mayor. Mr. Wallen 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. 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.

Councilman Hearn requested to bring forward a Resolution 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.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONNECTION:

N/A

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

None. Several business members have agreed to pay for and install a park sign.

PREVIOUS ACTION:

N/A

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

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