



Legislation Text

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Resolution - A Resolution to Consider Naming the New Off-Leash Dog Park at 610 W. Broad Street as "Mans Best Field"

Consider the MPFDC's Naming Recommendation for New Off-Leash Dog Park

Approve Resolution

In 2013, the Mansfield Park Facilities Development Corporation (MPFDC) purchased approximately 12 acres of the 16-acre tract of land at 604 W. Broad Street for future park development purposes. The site was formerly owned by one of Mansfield's co-founders Ralph Man.

On August 13, 2018, City Council directed staff to move forward with design of the City's first off-leash dog park at this location. On May 28, 2019, the City Council awarded a construction contract to Ratliff Construction to build the first phase of the dog park. The new off-leash dog park is under construction with a public opening expected in early 2020.

During the master planning phase for the dog park, a citizen emailed the Parks and Recreation Department with a recommendation to name the park "Mans Best Field." She felt like the name would memorialize Mr. Ralph Man as one of the city's co-founders and former owner of the property, remind everyone that dogs are man's best friend, and capitalize on Mansfield being in the name. During a special meeting on October 30, 2019, the MPFDC voted 6-0 in favor of the naming recommendation.

Following the guidelines outlined in the Park Naming Policy, the MPFDC approved the name "Mans Best Field" and forwarded their recommendation to City Council for final consideration and action.

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