



Commission on Naming Public Properties

Department of City Planning

200 Ross Street

1st Floor Hearing Room

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2016

2:05 PM

Commission Members Present: Mike Gable and Jim Griffin

Staff Present: Lisa Ray, Josh Lippert,

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Mr. Gable and seconded by Mr. Gastil the minutes of the April 4, 2016 meeting were approved. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Mr. Gable stated that there was no correspondence.

Items for Review

a) Trail Naming Policy

Josh Lippert of the Department of City Planning reviewed the Trail Naming Guidelines as submitted. The purpose of the guidelines is to create a uniform way to name trails throughout the city. He worked with the Addressing Committee, Emergency Management System, and a number of City Departments. A number of existing trail names exist in the 4 Historic Regional Parks and will remain until an application to the Naming Commission occurs.

The Trail Naming conventions are similar to the way the city addresses streets to conform to the 911 and CAD systems. No duplications unless they are adjacent to the street/open space. Renaming existing trails is discouraged. The bylaws adopted by the naming commission will be following concerning the naming of trails.

Mr. Gable stated that he is not aware of how naming trails were handled in the past. Going forward DPW will work with DCP to make sure things are named according to the guidelines.

Mr. Gastil stated that this will be adopted as Trail Naming Guidelines.

Mr. Gable asked if there were any trails named after living people.

Mr. Lippert stated that not to his knowledge.



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A motion was made by Mr. Griffin to adopt the Trail Naming Guidelines to be submitted to the City Clerk's office before the next meeting. Mr. Gastil seconded the motion, Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

b) South Side Park Trail Naming

Josh Lippert of the Department of City Planning gave presentation relating to trails that to be named in the South Side Park. South Side Park is located in the South Side neighborhood and is mostly undeveloped forested hillside. The site contains upper and lower areas of flat land; the lower area has a lighted rectangular field and the upper area has a ball field. The park lacks a formal entrance and parking, and has unrealized potential given its location and large size.

The South Side Neighborhoods Association submitted a letter of support of the proposed names.

Bandi Schaum Trail
Sterling Connector Trail
Marengo Connector Trail
Quarry Trail
Tombstone Trail
Julia Connector Trail

Mr. Gable suggested that Mr. Lippert go back and speak to the South Side Neighborhoods Association with the Commission's suggestions

Serpentine Steps will be tabled at this time.

On motion by Mr. Gastil accept the names except Serpentine Steps due to an existing street with that name. The name of Paved Loop was suggested by the Commission to be the "South Side Park Trail" and would be approved electronically. Mr. Griffin seconded the motion. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

c) Emerald View Park Trail Naming

Judith Cook of the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy along with Josh Lipper presented the Trail Naming Master Plan.

Emerald View Park was established in 2005 and designated a Regional Park in 2007 and in 2010 the Mount Washington Community Development Corporation produced a Master



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Trail Plan for the Park. None of the trails, new or pre-existing have officially been named. All signs and trail markers will follow the City's Regional Park or Open Space design standards and placed in consultation with City Planning and Department of Public Works.

The main trail will named the Emerald View Trail. The secondary trails will be named as follows: Saddle Trail, Moss Trail, Grandview Park Trail Roanoke Connector Trail, Marne Connector Trail, Dilworth Trail, Locust Grove Trail, Turkey Run Trail, Oneida Connector Trail, Augusta Connector Trail, Republic Connector Trail, Bradley Connector Trail, Expedition Trail, and Clarence Connector Trail.

A letter of support was submitted from the Mt. Washington CDC in support of the trail naming.

On motion by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Mr. Gastil, all ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Mr. Gastil, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Jim Griffin, Secretary