INTRODUCED: November 14, 2022

AN ORDINANCE No. 2022-326

To rename th	ne park in the city	of Richmond	known as Carter	Jones Park as "Fonticello Park."	,,
		Patroi	n – Mrs. Lynch		
		1.1	s to form and lega e City Attorney	ality	
	PUBL	IC HEARING	: DEC 12 2022	AT 6 P.M.	
WHE	EREAS, the City (Council has fro	om time to time for	und it appropriate to name or ren	ıame
City-owned s	streets and facilit	ies for historic	and honorific rea	sons; and	
WHE	EREAS, upon the	information a	nd belief of Cour	ncil, the park known as Carter J	ones
Park was nan	ned in honor of a	former membe	er of the Council o	of the City of Richmond who ens	ured
that the land	was acquired by	the City to pro	ovide green space	for Southside residents; and	
WHE	EREAS, upon the	information ar	nd belief of Counc	cil, Native Americans called the	land
Fonticello; ar	nd				
WHE	EREAS, upon the	information an	nd belief of Counc	il, the land was once owned by V	W.G.
Taylor, who	called his estate o	n that land Fon	nticello and operat	ed a mineral water bottling com	pany
-			_	spring on the land; and	. •
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ADOPTED:	DEC 12 2022	REJECTED:		STRICKEN:	

WHEREAS, upon the information and belief of Council, community members continue to refer to the park land as Fonticello; and

WHEREAS, sections 8-7 through 8-10 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020), as amended, generally prescribe a process for the renaming of City facilities, including parks such as Carter Jones Park; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Richmond that the park located in the city of Richmond and known as Carter Jones Park be renamed as "Fonticello Park" without the necessity for strict compliance with the requirements set forth in sections 8-7 through 8-10 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020), as amended; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

- § 1. That, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 8-7 through 8-10 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020), as amended, or any other law to the contrary, the park located at 2715 Bainbridge Street and 2813 A Bainbridge Street in the city of Richmond, with Tax Parcel Nos. S000-0914/001 and S000-0799/001, respectively, in the 2022 records of the City Assessor, and known as Carter Jones Park be and is hereby renamed as "Fonticello Park."
- § 2. That, in order to effectuate the provisions of section 1 of this ordinance, the Chief Administrative Officer shall (i) cause the appropriate City agency to prepare and erect signs appropriately marking "Fonticello Park," (ii) request that all City agencies note such renaming in the records maintained by each such agency, and (iii) take all other appropriate actions to effectuate the renaming of Carter Jones Park as "Fonticello Park."
 - § 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

ATRUE COPY:

TESTE

City Clerk





Richmond City Council The Voice of the People Richmond, Virginia

Office of the Council Chief of Staff

Ordinance/Resolution Request

TO	Haskell Brown, City Attorney				
THROUGH	Joyce Davis, Council Chief of Staff				
FROM	Steven Taylor, Council Policy Analyst				
СОРУ	Stephanie Lynch, 5th District Council Member Amy Robins, 5th District Liaison Tabrica Rentz, Deputy City Attorney				
DATE	October 27, 2022				
PAGE/s	1 of 2				
TITLE	Rename Carter Jones Park as 'Fonticello Park'.				
This is a request	for the drafting of an Ordinance Resolution				
REQUESTING CO	UNCILMEMBER/PATRON SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE				
Stephanie Lyr	Land Use Housing & Transportation				
ORDINANCE/RES	SOLUTION SUMMARY				
Patron request	ts that legislation be drafted renaming the park currently known as Carter Jones				
Park as "Font	icello Park."				

BACKGROUND

Patron has received requests from residents and volunteers at the park requesting this renaming. The park is owned by the City and under the control of the Department of Parks and Recreation. Residents have done research and found evidence that the Native Americans called the area *Fonticello* in a Richmond Virginian newspaper article (dated Thursday, August 11, 1910).

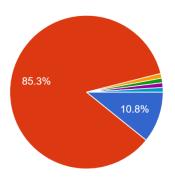
This portion of the City was annexed by the City approximately a hundred years ago. The park is an area once owned by W.G. Taylor, who purchased an estate there called Fonticello in 1872. Long-term community members still refer to the park as Fonticello. The water spring in the park area was the source of mineral water for mineral water bottling company known as Fonticello Lithia Springs Company owned by Mr. Taylor.

Carter Jones was a City Council member who saw to it that the parkland was acquired by the City in 1924 in order to provide green space for Southside residents. There are hopes that a feature in the park will be named in Mr. Jones' honor.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT					
Fiscal Impact	Yes No No				
Budget Amendment Required	Yes No No				
Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact	\$ N/A				
Note: Exact costs of signage changes are not known at this writing.					
Attachment/s Yes No					

Which name do you prefer?

102 responses



- Carter Jones Park
- Fonticello Park
- I say take a survey of the long term residents from the generations and see what they would name the park. I want something to remember Markea
- Woodland Heights Park or Powhatan (River) Heights Park
- Need more info
- Seven Springs Park