

INTRODUCED: June 8, 2015

AN ORDINANCE No. 2015-133-226

To designate and establish the property located at 241 East Ladies Mile Road as an official City park named "Lieutenant Ozell Johnson Memorial Park."

Patron – Vice President Hilbert

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JUNE 22 2015 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, the property known as 241 East Ladies Mile Road and identified as Tax Parcel No. N000-1550/005 in the 2015 records of the City Assessor is currently owned by the City; and

WHEREAS, section 26-12 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2004), as amended, provides for the designation of the use of City-owned real estate by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Richmond that the City Council officially designate such surplus property as a City park for its protection and preservation as natural areas for future recreational enjoyment;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: DEC 14 2015 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

§ 1. That the property known as 241 East Ladies Mile Road and identified as Tax Parcel No. N000-1550/005 in the 2015 records of the City Assessor is hereby designated and established as a City park and placed into the City's park system.

§ 2. That, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 26-7 through 26-10 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2004), as amended, to the contrary, the park established pursuant to section 1 of this ordinance shall be named "Lieutenant Ozell Johnson Memorial Park."

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.



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Office of the Council Chief of Staff

Ordinance/Resolution Request

TO Allen Jackson, City Attorney

THROUGH Lou Ali, Council Chief of Staff *W*

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COPY Chris Hilbert, 3rd District Council Member
 Lisa Townes, 3rd District Liaison
 Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney
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DATE May 29, 2015

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TITLE Naming a City owned Pocket Park after former RPD Officer Ozell Johnson

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OFFICE OF CITY ATTORNEY

This is a request for the drafting of an **Ordinance** **Resolution**

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

C. Hilbert

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Land Use, Housing & Transportation

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

The patron requests that an ordinance be drafted naming the City owned pocket park at 214 E. Ladies Mile Road (Parcel No. N0001550005) in honor of the late RDP Lt. Ozell Johnson. Generally, the provisions of City Code Sections 26-7 through 26-10 govern the naming of City owned property.

BACKGROUND

Lt Ozell Johnson was one of the first African-American officers hired by RPD. He graduated from the City's Police Academy. During his life he was very involved in efforts to reduce violence among our youth and prevent illicit drug abuse. He also helped to organized neighborhood watch programs. His efforts were recognized by proclamation/letter by former Governor Robb.

During his life, Lt Johnson was active in the NAACP and Phi Beta Sigma fraternity.

Members of Civic Associations in the area of the park support this proposal.

