

INTRODUCED: September 25, 2017

A RESOLUTION No. 2016-R074

To name a parcel of City-owned property located at 1907 Texas Avenue as “Riverview Community Park.”

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Patron – Mayor Stoney

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Approved as to form and legality  
by the City Attorney  
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PUBLIC HEARING: NOV 13 2017 AT 6 P.M

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 8-7 through 8-10 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, the Maymont Civic League, as the applicant, has requested that a parcel of City-owned property located at 1907 Texas Avenue, with Tax Parcel Number W000-0700/025 in the 2017 records of the City Assessor, be named “Riverview Community Park;”

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

1. That the parcel of City-owned property, with Tax Parcel Number W000-0700/025 in the 2017 records of the City Assessor, located at 1907 Texas Avenue be and hereby is named and designated as “Riverview Community Park.”

AYES:           8                    NOES:           0                    ABSTAIN:           \_\_\_\_\_

ADOPTED:   NOV 13 2017   REJECTED:           \_\_\_\_\_   STRICKEN:           \_\_\_\_\_

2. That, in order to effectuate the provisions of paragraph 1 of this resolution, the Chief Administrative Officer shall (i) cause the appropriate City agency to prepare and erect signs appropriately marking “Riverview Community Park,” (ii) request that all City agencies note such naming in the records maintained by each such agency, and (iii) take all other appropriate actions to effectuate the naming of the parcel of City-owned property located at 1907 Texas Avenue, with Tax Parcel Number W000-0700/025 in the 2017 records of the City Assessor, as “Riverview Community Park.”



# CITY OF RICHMOND

## INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE



### O&R REQUEST

**DATE:** August 17, 2017

**EDITION:** 1

**TO:** The Honorable Members of City Council

**Received**

**THROUGH:** The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor

*JS 9/20/17*

AUG 25 2017

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**THROUGH:** Selena Cuffee-Glenn, Chief Administrative Officer

*[Signature]*

Office of the  
Chief Administrative Officer

**THROUGH:** Debbie Jackson, Interim Deputy CAO for Human Services

**FROM:** Deborah Morton, Interim Director  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities

*[Signature]*

**RE:** Naming of park parcel near the corner of Kansas and Southampton Avenue to  
"Riverview Community Park"

**ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION NO.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PURPOSE:** To name parcel W0000700025, at the corner of E Texas Canal and Kansas, "Riverview Community Park" by way of a request from the Maymont Civic League and supported by the Friends of Riverview Park, Richmond Area Skateboard Alliance, and Kiwanis International.

**REASON:** The Maymont Civic League has formally requested the park parcel at Kansas and Southampton Avenues be officially named Riverview Community Park. This is the name of the community in which the park sits.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities recommends approval of officially naming the aforementioned park parcel "Riverview Community Park" as it resonates with the community and the surrounding parcels.

**BACKGROUND:** In June of 2016, representatives from the Maymont Civic League reached out to the Deputy Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities (PRCF) and the Operations Manager requesting an official naming of the park parcel at Kansas and Southampton Avenues, currently known as Texas Avenue Skate Park. PRCF convened a meeting of representatives from the Maymont Civic League, Friends of Riverview Community Park, and Richmond Area Skateboard Alliance to review needs and begin plans to develop the parcel of land as a park to meet the needs of the community.

The Friends of Riverview Park engaged Kiwanis International as a supporter for park enhancement, financial support, and construction of the parcel. Thus far, a layout for the park has been designed by Kiwanis International, a community garden approved by Council, and an expansion of the footprint of the skate park. A number of meetings were held to discuss the improvements proposed and the proper course of action needed to receive approval from the City allowing the Friends of Riverview Community Park, Maymont Civic Association, and Richmond Area Skateboard Alliance to proceed. The community partners are currently completing the application for the Urban Design Committee to approve the latest proposed park improvements including a walking trail, parking, and playground.

**FISCAL IMPACT/COST:** \$600 park signage cost.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** One time signage cost to the department.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY:** None

**REVENUE TO CITY:** None

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon adoption

**REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE:** September 11, 2017

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** September 25, 2017

**REQUESTED AGENDA:** Consent Agenda

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** LUHT

**CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:**

**AFFECTED AGENCIES:** Department of Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities

**RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.:** None

**REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S):**

**ATTACHMENTS:** Attachment A- Park Name Request from Maymont Civic Association

**STAFF:** Deborah Morton, Interim Director  
Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities, 646-5714

Marlie Smith, Parks Operations Manager  
Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities, 513-9023



# M A Y M O N T CIVIC LEAGUE

Maymont Civic League  
1800 Georgia Ave  
Richmond, VA 23220

June 20, 2016

Barry Russell  
Marlie Smith  
Parks, Recreation & Community Facilities  
1209 Admiral Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Dear Mr. Russell and Ms. Smith,

The Maymont Civic League hereby formally requests that the new park being developed in our community be officially named Riverview Community Park.

We are also writing to reiterate how incredibly appreciative we are of the Department of Parks and Recreation's efforts to transform this vacant property near the corner of Kansas and Southampton Avenues into an all-ages community park. This effort is strongly supported by the Maymont community, and has a dedicated coalition of supporters including:

- Friends of Riverview Community Park – an Enrichmond 501c3 group formed by several members of our civic league and neighborhood with a mission to support the development and ongoing maintenance of the entire Riverview Community Park site. <https://friendsofriverviewcommunitypark.wordpress.com/>
- Richmond Area Skateboard Alliance (RASA) – an Enrichmond 501c3 group dedicated to supporting the development of a skate park at this site. <http://www.rasaproject.org/>
- Kiwanis International, Richmond – a group of local business leaders interested in supporting the entire community park site with in-kind gifts, volunteers, and ongoing financial support for maintenance and improvements.

As you can see, we are eager to see this park get developed and we are here to help in any way that we can.

Gratefully yours,

Gloria Bouldin, President  
Maymont Civic League

Mark Brandon, Vice President