

City of Long Beach Working Together to Serve Memorandum

R-15

Subject:	Naming the park site located at 215 E. 1st Street "Promenade Square Park"
From:	Councilman Dee Andrews, Chair, Housing and Neighborhoods Committee
То:	Honorable Mayor and City Council
Date:	November 19, 2013

The Housing and Neighborhoods Committee, at its meeting held Tuesday, October 22, 2013, considered communications relative to the above subject.

It is the recommendation of the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee to the City Council to name the park site located at 215 E. 1st Street "Promenade Square Park."

Respectfully submitted,

HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

Councilman Dee Andrews, Chair

Prepared by: Megan Wiegelman

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Date: May 9, 2013

To: Housing and Neighborhoods Committee Staff

From: Larry Herrera, City Clerk

Subject: City Council Referral to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee

At the City Council meeting held Tuesday, May 7, 2013, the following agenda item was referred to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee:

PROMENADE SQUARE PARK

Councilmember Lowenthal moved, seconded by Councilman Andrews, that the communication be received and referred to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee.

LARRY G. HERRERA City Clerk

Prepared by: Carolyn Hill

Attachment

cc: Patrick West, City Manager Suzanne Frick, Assistant City Manager Reginald I. Harrison, Deputy City Manager



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	Promenade Square Park (District 2)	() 	
Subject:	Recommendation to name the park located at 215 E. 1 st St re et,		
From:	George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine		
То:	Members of the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee		
Date:	October 22, 2013	805 1724	
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DISCUSSION

On May 7, 2013, Second District City Councilmember Suja Lowenthal requested that the Mayor and Members of the City Council refer to the Parks and Recreation Commission and Housing and Neighborhoods Committee a request to name the park site located at 215 E. 1st Street Promenade Square Park. The Parks and Recreation Commission recommendation will be transmitted to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee and the full City Council.

The Parks and Recreation Commission considered this request at their June 13, 2013 meeting (Attachment) and unanimously approved this request.

The Administrative Regulation AR 8–7 applies to the naming of all public land, buildings and facilities. AR 8–7 provides several policies to guide the consideration of a naming request. The following are those policies:

- The name should incorporate Long Beach whenever important for civic recognition or identification;
- A name in honor of a recognized geographic area, a topographic feature or a historically significant event may be appropriate;
- A name in honor of persons or families who have donated the land or a substantial portion of the improvement costs may be appropriate when applicable;
- A name in honor of a person or persons who have served the nation, the State of California, and/or the City of Long Beach in an exceptional or distinguished manner may be appropriate if warranted by service of major significance;
- A name in honor of a living person, or of a deceased person within one year of their death, is not appropriate unless the significance of that person's contribution is worthy of an exception to the policy;
- A name in honor of a person is not appropriate when a name in honor of another person has been given to the same site, building or facility in the past;
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- A name may be selected through a competition or a contest.

In accordance with this regulation, the name referred to the Parks and Recreation Commission, Promenade Square Park, reflects both a recognized geographic and historic feature of the City.

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This park site was originally developed in the early 1980's as an amphitheater to support the planned office, retail and nightlife entertainment planned along the Promenade.

Funded by the former Long Beach Redevelopment Agency (RDA), the Park was reconstructed in 2010 as part of the mid-block portion of the Promenade Master Plan, which incorporated pedestrian-oriented improvements on the three blocks of The Promenade from Ocean Boulevard to the north side of 3rd Street. The project transformed a stark, underutilized, concrete pedestrian walkway and performance venue into a safe, friendly, and beautiful space for residents, visitors and business people in the Downtown to enjoy. Promenade Square is a 0.65-acre park space adjacent to the Promenade with a stage/performance area, a water feature and public art.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact with the recommendation action.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMITTEE:

Concur with the recommendation that the park site located at 215 E. 1st Street be named "Promenade Square Park", and refer the recommendation to the City Council for approval.

APPROVED:

CK H. WEST MANAGER

Attachment:



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE



June 13, 2013

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MEMBERS OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend the name Promenade Square Park to the Housing and Neighborhood Committee for the park site located at 215 E. 1st Street. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

On May 7, 2013, Second District City Councilmember Suja Lowenthal requested that the Mayor and Members of the City Council refer to the Parks and Recreation Commission a request to recommend a name for the park site at 215 E. 1st Street (Attachment A). The Parks and Recreation Commission recommendation will be transmitted to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee and the full City Council.

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"We create community and enhance the quality of life through people, places, programs and partnerships"

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Recommend the name Promenade Square Park for the park located at 215 E. 1st Street and forward to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee and the full City Council.

Respectfully submitted RAMON AREVAL MANAGER

MANAGER MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT

APPROVED: GFOR DIRECTOR

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Attachment: Aerial Map



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Dr. Suja Lowenthal Councilmember

City of Long Beach Many Unique Neighborhoods One Great City



Memorandum

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Suja Lowenthal, Second District

Subject: Promenade Square Park

REQUESTED ACTION:

Request to refer the name "Promenade Square Park" to the Parks and Recreation Commission as well as the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee for the park located adjacent to the pedestrian promenade between First Street and Broadway.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Promenade Square opened on July 24, 2010, completing construction of the mid-block portion of the promenade that included residential units, Long Beach Transit Mall and the Bikestation. As part of a larger Redevelopment Agency project that completely redeveloped the original promenade and outdoor amphitheater, Promenade Square became the working project name during construction and was adopted thereafter by city staff and residents. With the demise of Redevelopment, Promenade Square was handed over to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. As part of the City's Administrative Regulations for naming public land, Parks, Recreation and Marine staff recommended that a name be formally adopted by the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee. It accordance with those regulations, "Promenade Square" reflects the geographic and historic feature of Downtown Long Beach.

Promenade Square is 28,525 sq. ft. of park space in Downtown with a stage/performance area, a water feature and an adjacent aerial plaza public art sculpture by Carl Cheng. It has become a hub for downtown social events hosting music performances, movie nights and Promenade Area Residential Association activities.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact.

May 7, 2013