

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA APPROVING A TEMPORARY NAME FOR THE PARK AT FRANKLIN CIRCLE, “FRANKLIN CIRCLE COMMUNITY PARK,” AND DEDICATING ON A PARK BENCH THE SUCCULENT GARDEN TO GLENNY FARNEY, AND RECOGNIZE ON A PLAQUE AND GRANITE BOULDER, ALL OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PARK LED BY MARY AND RICK MORALES, AND JIMMY MARTIN

WHEREAS, on March 13, 1961, the “Mission Village” development was approved and the parcel map was recorded creating an extension of Franklin Street and the formation of a traffic circle forming a cul-de-sac known as “Franklin Circle;” and

WHEREAS, the small piece of property at the center of Franklin Circle was never dedicated to the City, and informally developed on and off over the years by volunteers and neighbors as a small park; and

WHEREAS, on July 3, 2019, long time resident of Franklin Circle Mary Morales presented the new City Manager with a plan that the community designed to develop this site into a new city park, a project they had been working on for the past 10-years; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 an extensive title search confirmed that the City by default is the true property owners, and this proof of ownership, allowed the City to use State grant funds to build a City park at this site; and

WHEREAS; in August 18, 2020 the City awarded a contract to design the park using the community design as a basis for the final improvements; and

WHEREAS, construction of the park is near complete, and the park has no formal name, but the city has received donated funds to build the park from the family of Glennie Farney who was a long-time resident and special request for recognition from a few families that lived at Franklin Circle including Rick and Mary Morales and Jimmy Martin;

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the City to name this park, once a park-naming policy is adopted, and for the time being, the City Council can create dedications within the park to the leaders of the community that made this park possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA NOW HEREBY FINDS:

1. That the recitals in this Resolution and accompanying staff report are true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Resolution.
2. Until such a time as a formal “park naming policy” can be established, refer to this park by the name of Franklin Circle Community Park.
3. It agrees that a park bench be used to dedicate the succulent garden at the Franklin Park to Glennie Farney;

4. That a plaque be erected on site to recognize the whole community that contributed over the past 13 years to build this park, led by Rick and Mary Morales, and Jimmy Martin.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of San Juan Bautista at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of April 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Jordan, Flores, Edge, Freels, Freeman

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:



Leslie Q. Jordan, Mayor



Don Reynolds, Acting Deputy City Clerk