



Recommendation to City Council on Naming New City Park at the AMD Site.

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Vicinity Map



Overall Site Plan



Council Policy 7.3.23 Naming / Renaming Parks and Recreation Facilities

Draft Presentation

The following criteria will be utilized in naming Parks and Recreation facilities:

The majority of City parks presently have the name of the planning district in which they are located. Any new parks should follow the same pattern, if possible. Where this is not possible, the following criteria will be given consideration in naming a park or facility within a park:

1. Greatest consideration should be given to a name that has historical significance to the City of Sunnyvale
2. Open space that was formerly school property or adjoined a school, consideration of the school name should be given in naming the park.
3. Naming a park for a specific individual will only be considered if that individual has made a significant contribution to the City of Sunnyvale.
4. Other name considerations will only be considered if one of the three above criteria does not provide a suitable name.
5. Facilities within a park which have not otherwise been named by Council may be provided identification signs by followed by a generic description of the facility. (e.g. “Las Palmas Dog Park” or “Sunnyvale Skatepark”).

Park Naming Suggestions

Historical Significance

- **Acorn Park** - Native food source for the Ohlone, and the new park location is close to Oakmead Parkway which is the continuation of Duane, east of Lawrence Expressway
- **AMD Park** – Previously the site of Advanced Micro Devices' headquarters
- **Manzanita Park** - Native plant used by the Ohlone
- **Shellmound Park** - One of three shellmounds in Sunnyvale are in this area
- **Thamien \ Tamien Park** - Ohlone tribe that occupied today's Sunnyvale region. Note, there is a park of the same name in Santa Clara, CA, and a light rail station in San Jose
- **Ohlone Park** - Many tribes that ring the San Francisco Bay, related by similar languages. Note, there is a park of the same name in Berkeley, CA
- **Muwekma Park** - Ohlone of the east bay, parts of south bay and parts of mid-peninsula
- **Arques Park** - Nellie Murphy Arques homestead located here
- **Ben Schmigidig Park** - Award winning Schmigidig Dairy Farm was located here in the 40s

Planning District

- **Bayside Park** - Close to Sunnyvale's Baylands Park
- **Madrone Park** – City street name system
- **East Murphy Park** – Neighborhood Planning Area
- **Duane Park** – Duane Avenue runs along the park to the N/E
- **Spanish Saints** – City street name system

School Significance

- **San Miguel Park** - Close to San Miguel Elementary School

Other Name Considerations

1. **Diversity Park** – From previous park naming list for Wiser Park
2. **Diwali Park** – Festival of Lights
3. **Lakshmi Park** - Goddess of Prosperity
4. **Redwood Place Park** – Because of mature Redwood trees at the park
5. **Remembrance Park** – From previous park naming list for Wiser Park

Project History

- 34.7-acre site – previous AMD site developed by the Irvine Company
- As part of the public improvements – 6.5-acre park land dedication
- Park is set to be dedicated to City of August 12, 2022

Alternatives

1. Recommend no more than five names to move forward for consideration and selection by the City Council.
2. Do not recommend five names or less and provide other direction.