

**City of Gainesville
NAMING CITY PARKS
APPLICATION**

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Tot Lot #9

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Today's Date:	Application submitted by a Citizen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or on behalf of an Organization <input type="checkbox"/>
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WHAT IS THIS APPLICATION FOR?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARK <input type="checkbox"/> FACILITY <input type="checkbox"/> AREA <input type="checkbox"/> CENTER
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CURRENT NAME OF (PARK, AREA, FACILITY OR CENTER):	No known name for this park
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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Contact Person/Applicant's Last name: Brown	First: Ruth W	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Miss	Other:
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Organization name (if applicable): NA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mrs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms.
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Street address: 913 N.E. 22nd St.	Apt./Unit #: NA	Home phone no. (352) 372-0621	Alternate phone no. (284) 0185
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913 N.E. 22nd St	NA	(352) 372-0621	(352) 284-0185 (C)
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P.O. Box: NA	City: Gainesville	State: FL	ZIP Code: 32641
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Email Address: NA

DETAIL INFORMATION

PROPOSED NAME:	Dollree Bowens' Tot Lot or Playground
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PLEASE DESCRIBE IN DETAIL WHY THE NAME YOU ARE PROPOSING SHOULD BE DESIGNATED TO A PARTICULAR PARK, AREA, FACILITY OR CENTER. If additional information is required for full consideration of an application, the Public Recreation and Parks Board (PRPB) or Nature Centers Commission (NCC) may require presentation of additional material-including public presentation-before action is taken.

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Applicant signature:	Date:
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September 26, 2007

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PROPOSED NAME: Dolliree Helen Bowens City Park

I would like for the City of Gainesville Parks and Recreation Cultural Affairs Department to consider naming the park on N. W. 4th Avenue in honor of Dolliree Helen Bowens; for the many years she worked in the area of Recreation in the City of Gainesville.

Dolliree, as she was commonly known, worked for the City of Gainesville for 41 years. She retired from her position with the Recreation Department in 1984. Upon her retirement she was the only person to have such a lengthy term of employment with the city.

She lived with her mother and sister at 816 N.W. 4th Avenue, which is next door to the park, from her early school years until she retired. Dolliree graduated from the Old Lincoln High School on 10th Avenue and 7th Street. After graduation and a few months at Florida A & M College, she returned to Gainesville. She was rehired by the Recreation Department where she had worked after school during her high school years; now known as the Rosa B. Williams Center.

There she provided recreational activities for boys and girls in the area and the City of Gainesville. It was the only facility for Black kids, at that time. She also provided activities for adults, including Ceramic Classes.

After the new recreation center was built, known as the TB Mc Pherson Center on S.E. 15th Street, Dolliree was transferred there to work. Mr. Walter Jones was the Director. She taught recreational activities to many young children, and teenagers too, after school and during the summer months.

The facility was equipped with a kiln and other material for her ceramic classes that she taught to many adults. There are hundreds of homes in Gainesville and Alachua County that proudly display their ceramic series made under her supervision.

She was awarded a Certificate for Outstanding Civic Service to the Community by the Ebony Award Organization. Dolliree was a member of Greater Bethel A.M. E. Church, where she served with the Willing Workers Club. She was a member of the Daughter of Elks also.

I personally feel that the Citizens of Gainesville would be honored and delighted to have the park on N.W. 4th Avenue, next door to her family home at 816 N.W. 4th Avenue, named in her honor.

Respectfully Submitted by



Ruth Welcome Brown, her niece

Please see the attached signatures.

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PETITION FORM**

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Petition to Rename: Tot lot N.W. 4th Avenue

Petition summary and background. (Enter the background and reasons for this petition.)	See the attached Summary.
Action Patroned for: (Enter action item(s) for which you are petitioning.)	We, the undersigned, are concerned citizens who would like for the City of Gainesville Parks and Recreation Cultural Affairs Department to consider naming the Tot lot on N.W. 4 th Avenue in honor of Dollree H. Bowen's.

Printed Name (Must be an Adult Resident)	Signature	Address (Must be within the City Limits of Gainesville)	Comment	Date
1. Roth W. Brown	<i>Roth W. Brown</i>	913 NE 22 nd Street	✓ Deserving of this Recognition	10/10/07
2. Regina Brings Morse	<i>Regina Brings Morse</i>	5737 N.W. 43 rd Road	X Very deserving of this Recognition	10/10/07
3. Mobile white	<i>Mobile white</i>	804 NE 24 st	✓	10/10/07
4. Neil Butler	<i>Neil Butler</i>	5906 NE 78 th Lane	X	10/10/07
5. Jon P. Hinson	<i>Jon P. Hinson</i>	5906 NE 78 th Lane	X	10/10/07
6. Cassioiré Dech.	<i>Cassioiré Dech.</i>	1511 NE 1 st place	✓	10/10/07
7. W. Arnette Thomas	<i>W. Arnette Thomas</i>	11835 SW 5 th Ave	X	10/10/07
8. Daryel White	<i>Daryel White</i>	4888 NE 1 st Ave	X	10/10/07
9. Lynn White	<i>Lynn White</i>	804 NE 24 th St	✓	10/10/07

Printed Name (Must be an Adult Resident)	Signature	Address (Must be within the City Limits of Gainesville)	Comment	Date
10. Whitney Tyson	<i>Whitney Tyson</i>	44140 SW Archer Rd Apt 1407		10/10/07
11. Emma Sacks	<i>Emma Sacks</i>	2317 SW 73rd Terrace		10/10/07
12. Henry Long III	<i>Henry Long III</i>	6849 SW 21st Ln X		10/10/07
13. Tracie L Thomas	<i>Tracie L Thomas</i>	1121 NE 21st Ct	very deserving, long time resident, was done a lot for community	10/10/07
14. Asheltra King	<i>Asheltra King</i>	2511 NE 11th Ter A		10/10/07
15. Krystal King	<i>Krystal King</i>	2511 NE 11th Ter C		10/10/07
16. Mame Williams	<i>Mame Williams</i>	626 N.W. 8th St.		10/12/07
17. Nez Cobb	<i>Nez Cobb</i>	1910 NW 37th St GAINESVILLE 32605		10/12/07
18. Leakee Lathrop	<i>Leakee Lathrop</i>	1126 SW 17th St Archer #11, 32608	long time friend	10/12/07
19. Cease Bradley	<i>Cease Bradley</i>	1617 SE 22nd St		
20. Yvonne Hinson	<i>Yvonne Hinson</i>	901 NW 4th Ave P.O. Box 23824	long time resident	10/18/07
21. Josephine Reddick	<i>Josephine Reddick</i>	929 S. E. 11th St.		10/18/07
22. Eula L. Williams	<i>Eula L. Williams</i>	P.O. Box 1234 Dulles, 22602		10/18/07
23. Bettye Payer	<i>Bettye Payer</i>	7805 S.W. 13th Rd		10/18/07
24. Loretta Young	<i>Loretta Young</i>	828 NW 41st Ave	nice neighbor	10/21/07
25. Tisha McGowan	<i>Tisha McGowan</i>	817 NW 4th Ave	long time resident	10/21/07

Printed Name (Must be an Adult Resident)	Signature	Address (Must be within the City Limits of Gainesville)	Comment	Date
Eugene Brown	Eugene Brown	913 N.E. 22nd St	she's very deserving of this	19 Oct 20, 2007
27. Dorely Fleming	Dorely Fleming	1003 N.E. 22nd St	Very nice lady	10/24/07
28. Gladys M. Hays	Gladys M. Hays	2128 N.E. 7th Ave	My Neighbor for 40 years ^{more}	10/25/07
29. Ruthie K. Brown	Ruthie K. Brown	3354 N.W. 18th St	Very kind person	10/25/07
30. Beth M. Taylor	Beth M. Taylor	2004 N.E. 9th Place	" "	10/26/07
31. J. Leslie Cosh	J. Leslie Cosh	3037 W. 4th St	Overdue recognition	10/28/07
32. Rebecca Kirkham	Rebecca Kirkham	1917 SE 14th Ave	GIVE her REWARDS!	10/28/07
33. Jimmie White	Jimmie White	510 S.E. 14th Terr	Give her this honor ^{please}	10/28/07
34. Elizabeth Shade	Elizabeth Shade	903 NE 24th St.	Very Deserving	11/8/07
35. Antionette Hill	Antionette Hill	2510 N.E. 9th St.	Excellent Leader for Youth	11/8/07
36. John Hill	John A. Hill	2510 N.E. 9th St.		11/8/07
37. Dorothy Jackson	Dorothy Jackson	1509 S.E. 13th Pl.	Very worthy of the ^{plate} recognition	11/8/07
38. Tony Shade	Tony Shade	903 N.W. 4th Pl.		11/8/07
39. Darryl Hayes	Darryl Hayes	901 N.W. 4th Pl.		11/8/07
40. ARETHA Foster	ARETHA Foster	1004 N.E. 22nd St		11/8/07
41. Juanita Mills	Juanita Mills	2419 NE 8th Ave - Giller	Hope it happens for ^{such a deserving} person	11/9/07
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POLICY FOR NAMING CITY PARKS

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I. General Policy Statement

A. The City of Gainesville Public Recreation and Parks Board (PRPB) and the Nature Centers Commission (NCC) shall be responsible for recommending approval for all names of parks, recreation areas, facilities and centers managed by the City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department.

1. Where nature or passive parks, areas, facilities or centers are being considered, recommendation for approval shall be governed by the NCC.
2. Where active parks, areas, facilities or centers are being considered, recommendation for approval shall be governed by the PRPB.
3. Where both an active and passive park, area or facility is being considered, recommendation for approval shall be governed by both NCC and PRPB.

B. Once a recommendation has been made by the PRPB and/or NCC, this action—in recommendation form—will be forwarded to the Gainesville City Commission for final approval and official designation.

II. Presentation to the Public Recreation and Parks Board or Nature Centers Commission

A. The PRPB or NCC will consider written application only. Applications may come from any citizen or organization, including the staff of the Recreation and Parks Department. The application should include as much background information as possible as to why a particular name should be designated to a particular park, area, facility or center.

B. If additional information is required for full consideration of an application, the PRPB or NCC may require presentation of additional material—including public presentation—before action is taken.

III. Criteria for Consideration

A. The PRPB or NCC will accept applications recommending the naming of a park, area, facility or center in honor of a person, historical event, natural phenomenon or geographic location.

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- B. The PRPB or NCC may approve the name of an individual for a particular park, area, facility or center when that individual has made exceptional contributions. Such contributions may have been financial or rendered in a donation of land, time or in overall service and/or promotion of parks, recreation and leisure. Exceptional service in areas other than Park and Recreation services is equally acceptable.
- C. Generally, the PRPB and NCC strongly recommends that structures or amenities within a park, area, facility or center should not have separate names, but should bear the name of the park, area, facility or center itself. If however a structure or amenity within a named park, area, facility or center is to be named, the inner-structure or amenity will in some manner denote its affiliation with the encompassing park, area, facility or center.
- D. The name must not duplicate, or be closely related, or pronounced similarly, to any other name within the City park and recreation system(s), or any other local County park and recreation system(s) so as to eliminate confusion to the general public.
- E. Naming of parks, areas, facilities or centers after companies or corporations shall not be excluded from consideration; however, consideration for recommendation shall not include reference to alcohol, tobacco, sexually explicit products, or related activities.
- F. When the PRPB or NCC feels that the contribution of a particular individual or group of individuals warrants the name to be associated with a park, area, facility or center, the PRPB or NCC may name or add a name to the existing name. Such an addition to a park, area, facility or center may not be made until at least five (5) years has elapsed from the time of the original naming of the park, area, facility or center. Only one (1) additional name may be added and no more than two (2) names may be given to any park, area, facility or center (i.e. the Joyce Oransky Tennis Center at Westside Park).
- G. Recognizing that under extreme or extenuating circumstances it may be appropriate to change the name of a park, area, facility or center, the PRPB or NCC reserves the right to allow a change to the name of a park, area, facility or center. However, the name of a park, area, facility or center that has been named for an individual cannot be changed for one hundred (100) years after

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the original name was established. In the event other agreement(s) prohibit a proposed name change, such agreement(s) shall be honored.

- H. When naming or re-naming a park, area, facility or center, the PRPB or NCC will accept applications in writing at a first regular meeting; have discussion and hear public discussion at a second regular meeting; and take action at a third regular meeting. All such meetings are to occur during a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the first regular meeting.
- I. Applications to the PRPB or NCC for the naming of a neighborhood or smaller park, area, facility or center initially must be supported by a petition of at least twenty-five (25) signatures of adult residents within the City of Gainesville in support of the request. See Addendum A for a current listing of City of Gainesville neighborhood parks/facilities.
- J. A community or regional park, area, facility or center serving more than just the nearby community or neighborhood will require a petition of one hundred (100) adult signatures of City of Gainesville residents accompanying the application. See Addendum A for a current listing of City of Gainesville community parks/facilities. This list of the parks and properties, including the addresses, will be updated annually with any name changes done or new acquisitions occurring in the previous year.
- K. An application for changing the name of an existing park, area, facility or center by addition of another name or a complete name change shall require a petition of at least five hundred (500) signatures of adult residents of City of Gainesville in support of the request.
- L. The PRPB or NCC may place a plaque at an appropriate location within a park, area, facility or center, whereby the names of individuals(s) may be placed for their contributions to the City. This action may occur when the PRPB or NCC finds that it is inappropriate to name a park, area, facility or center in its entirety for the individual(s).
- M. When there has not been a suggested title or appropriate suggested title for a new park, area, facility or center, the PRPB or NCC may, at the park, area, facility or center's completion, determine an appropriate title for recommendation to the Gainesville City Commission.

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- N. Certain parks or features in parks, areas, facilities or centers should be named for such things as fauna, flora, habitats, and geological formations, exclusive of people. Consideration for naming these parks or items should be at the discretion of the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department; however, these should first be considered by the NCC for accuracy, and then be presented to the PRPB for consideration to avoid any conflict with pending name issues for these parks, areas, facilities or centers.
- O. In the event that there is any opposition to the naming or renaming of a park, area, facility or center, those opposed must submit a written statement of opposition identifying the reasons for their opposition prior to the approval of the name by the City Commission. The PRPB or NCC has the right to require opponents to appear before them to answer questions concerning their written statement of opposition. Organized opposition should also follow the general requirements in opposing a request just as the proponents followed when making the request. The PRPB or NCC can also request those opposed to provide a petition.
- P. When opposition occurs to a request, the PRPB or NCC will automatically delay action on the naming or renaming of the park, area, facility or center for at least ninety (90) days in order to evaluate the opposition's information and thus, provide an equitable decision-making process.
- Q. The staff of the Recreation and Parks Department will be responsible for informing the public of the naming or renaming request.
1. Issuance of Public Service Announcements (PSA) via local media forms.
 2. Site posting.

All information devices will encourage participation and involvement from all pro/con viewpoints of the different elements of the citizenry. Such information devices must be exposed publicly for a minimum period of forty-five (45) days.

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ADDENDUM A

This list of the parks and properties, including the addresses, will be updated annually with any name changes done or new acquisitions occurring in the previous year.

Neighborhood Parks/Facilities

A.N.N.E. Park	6224 NW 28 th Terrace
Green Acres Park	700 Block, SW 40 th Street
Kiwanis Park (Girl Scouts)	NW 8 th Street & NW 8 th Place
Lynch Park	500 Block, S Main Street
Northeast Community Center	1700 NE 8 th Avenue
Northeast 35 th Avenue Park	1700 NE 31 st Avenue
Roper Park	400 Block, NE 2 nd Street
Rosa B. Williams Comm. Center	524 NW 1 st Street
Sharmie Ffar Park	321 NW 10 th Street
Smokey Bear Park	2300 NE 15 th Street
Springtree Park	2800 NW 39 th Avenue
Tumblin Creek Park	600 SW Depot Avenue
Woodlawn Park	1900 SE 14 th Street
Tot Lot #1	NE 4 th Avenue & NE 15 th Street
Tot Lot #2	SE 9 th Street & SE 8 th Avenue
Tot Lot #3	508 NW 2 nd Street
Tot Lot #4	500 Block, NW 6 th Avenue
Tot Lot #5 (Barbara Higgins Park)	1352 SE 2 nd Street
Tot Lot #6	NW 32 nd Place & NW 20 th Lane
Tot Lot #7	500 Block, SW 7 th Terrace
Tot Lot #9	820 NW 4 th Avenue

Community Parks/Facilities

Northeast Complex/Citizens Field	1200 NE 14 th Street
Fred Cone Park/Eastside Rec Center	201 SE 27 th Street/2841 E. University Avenue
Greentree Park/Kiwanis Challenge	1900 NW 39 th Avenue
Lincoln Park	900 SE 15 th Street
TB McPherson Park	1717 SE 15 th Street
Northeast Park	400 NE 16 th Avenue
Northside Park	5725 NW 34 th Street
Possum Creek Park	4000 Block, NW 53 rd Avenue
Southeast Urban Park	2000 Block, SE 15 th Street
Thelma Boltin Activity Center	516 NE 2 nd Avenue
Westside Park/Westside Rec Center	1001 NW 34 th Street

Nature Parks/Properties

Palm Point Park	7401 Lakeshore Drive
Alfred A. Ring Park	1801 NW 23 rd Boulevard
Bivens Arm Nature Park	3650 South Main Street

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Boulware Springs Park	3400 SE 15 th Street
Boulware Springs Historic Water Works Building	3500 SE 15 th Street
Gum Root Park	NE 27 th Avenue and State Road 26
Morningside Nature Center	3540 East University Avenue
Loblolly Environmental Facility	3315 NW 15 th Avenue
Colcough Pond	South Main Street
Broken Arrow Bluff	SW 46 th Place
Clear Lake	SW 51 st Terrace
Split Rock Conservation Area	SW 20 th Avenue
Forest Park - West	4501 SW 20 th Avenue
29 th Avenue Road Property	3056 NW 14 th Street
Sugarfoot Prairie	SW 8 th Avenue
Terwilliger Pond	460 SW 62 nd boulevard
The Flatwoods	2001 NE 39 th Avenue
Cofin Nature Park	4810 NW 8 th Avenue