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ORDINANCE NO. 200292

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Section 18-18, Listing of city parks, to rename certain parks; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

WHEREAS, the City’s parks are listed and named in Section 18-18, Code of Ordinances;

and

WHEREAS, on or about August 18, 2020, the School Board of Alachua County officially renamed J.J. Finley Elementary School to Carolyn Beatrice Parker Elementary, in recognition of her contributions as a research physicist and as a Gainesville area high school teacher and resident;

and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to change the name of the City park at Carolyn Beatrice Parker Elementary consistent with the school’s new name, and in recognition and honor of Ms. Parker; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission also wishes to change the name of Loblolly Woods to “Loblolly Woods Nature Park” to reflect the function and character of this park; and

WHEREAS, at least ten (10) days’ notice has been given once by publication in a newspaper of general circulation notifying the public of this proposed ordinance and of public hearings in the City Hall Auditorium located on the first floor of City Hall in the City of Gainesville; and

WHEREAS, the public hearings were held pursuant to the notice described above at which hearings the parties in interest and all others had an opportunity to be and were, in fact, heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE

1 **CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:**

2 **Section 1.** Section 18-18 of the Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

3 **Sec. 18-18. – Listing of city parks.**

4 (a) *Active/recreational etc.:*

5 (18) ~~Park located at J.J. Finley Elementary School, to be named (this is a~~
6 ~~placeholder)~~ Carolyn Beatrice Parker Park.

7 (b) *Nature parks, centers and conservation areas:*

8 (17) Loblolly Woods Nature Park.

9 **Section 2.** It is the intention of the City Commission that the provisions of Section 1 of
10 this ordinance will become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of
11 Gainesville, Florida, and that the sections and paragraphs of this ordinance may be renumbered
12 or relettered in order to accomplish such intentions.

13 **Section 3.** If any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section or provision of this ordinance
14 or the application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional, such
15 finding shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given
16 effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application, and to this end the
17 provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.

18 **Section 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are to the extent of
19 such conflict hereby repealed.

20 **Section 5.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

21 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this ____ day of _____, 2021.

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LAUREN POE
MAYOR

Attest:

Approved as to form and legality:

OMICHELE D. GAINEY
CITY CLERK

NICOLLE M. SHALLEY
CITY ATTORNEY

This ordinance passed on first reading this _____ day of _____, 2021.

This ordinance passed on second reading this _____ day of _____, 2021.