



## Legislation Text

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### **Request to Rename Tumblin Creek Park (B)**

This is a request to rename Tumblin Creek Park, located at 600 SW Depot Avenue, to “Cora P. Roberson Park”.

On February 28, 2005, the City Commission referred the matter of naming City parks, recreation areas, and facilities to the Recreation and the Cultural Affairs Committee. The Recreation and Cultural Affairs Committee met to discuss and forwarded their recommendations back to the City Commission on June 16, 2005. The City Commission adopted the Committee's recommendations at their August 8, 2005 meeting on how to address park naming requests. The general policy states that either the City of Gainesville Public Recreation and Parks Board (PRPB) or Nature Centers Commission (NCC) would be responsible for recommending to the City Commission approval of all names of parks, recreation areas, facilities, and centers managed by the City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department (PRCA).

At the August 21, 2019 meeting, the PRPB formally received a request from Yvette Carter on behalf of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. to rename Tumblin Creek Park to "Cora P. Roberson Park". The request was accompanied by the required petition with more than the necessary 50 signatures of adults who reside in the City of Gainesville, an explanation as to why the name was proposed, and Cora Roberson’s biography.

Based on the established Departmental Policy, the PRPB heard public comment supporting the name change during the September 18, 2019 meeting, and on October 16, 2019, the PRPB unanimously voted to recommend renaming the park “Cora P. Roberson Park”.

The only cost associated with renaming this park is the creation of new park signs. The park would require two rules signs and a bio sign for Ms. Roberson, as well as two to four possible parking signs. We estimate that the total dollar amount to replace all the signs and posts would be around \$2,000.00. PRCA will pay this expense out of its budget.

The City Commission approve the request to rename Tumblin Creek Park at 600 SW Depot Avenue to “Cora P. Roberson Park”.