BOISE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019
4:00 P.M.

Location:
Boise City Hall
150 N. Capitol Boulevard
Maryanne Jordan Council Chambers
3rd Floor, Building 1

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ATTENDANCE

III. CONSENT

*A. Cottonwood Creek Daylighting Project – Boise River System & Floodplain Permit

*B. Idaho State Museum – Monument Sign Request

IV. NEW BUSINESS

*A. Minutes – August 15, 2019

*B. Proposal to Name City of Boise Trail – “Florence’s Trail” – Public Hearing

*C. Alta Harris Community Park Master Plan Revision – Public Hearing

*D. Executive Session: 1) Pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(c) to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency, and Idaho Code §74-206(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-204(4), all items on the Agenda marked with an asterisk * are action items that require a vote. Identifying an item as an action item on the Agenda does not require that a vote be taken. All Consent Agenda items will be enacted by one motion, unless a Commissioner or citizen requests the item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of business.
TO: Jon Ruzicka, President, Boise City Parks and Recreation Commission  
FROM: Doug Holloway, Director  
DATE: 10/11/2019  
RE: October 17, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Please find enclosed the descriptive information supporting your agenda topics for this meeting. The meeting is anticipated to last 45 minutes and will take place in the Maryanne Jordan Council Chambers of City Hall.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. COTTONWOOD CREEK DAYLIGHTING PROJECT – BOISE RIVER SYSTEM & FLOODPLAIN PERMIT – Requested by Trevor Kesner, Parks Planner (See Item III. A. on the agenda)

Julia Davis Park is the city’s oldest park within the Boise Parks and Recreation Department’s system. Throughout the master planning process for Julia Davis Park, it was proposed to daylight Cottonwood Creek, a stream flowing southward into the Boise River via a buried flume at the east end of the park. The project (Exhibit A) is included in the Julia Davis Park Master Plan (2002) for habitat rehabilitation and interpretive opportunities. The project is also recommended in the City of Boise 2011 Comprehensive Park and Recreation Plan and highlighted in the Boise River Resource Management and Master Plan (2014).

In 2018, the Idaho Chapter of Trout Unlimited was awarded a grant from the Boise Open Space and Clean Water Advisory Committee to move the proposed project forward. Project construction would involve site preparation, including tree and turf removal, asphalt demolition and disposal, relocation of power poles, adjustment of the irrigation system, and water diversion and controls. A timeline for construction has not yet been established.

Greenbelt Setback Lands and Waters:
The submitted site plans indicate approx. 60 feet of impact to riverbank area setbacks for Class A Lands and Waters (or areas set aside for the protection and preservation of the Greenbelt, Heron rookeries, eagle perching, feeding and loafing areas, or riparian areas.)

Greenbelt Setback Impacts:
The Cottonwood Creek project intersects directly underneath the Greenbelt. Proposed construction activities will likely require partial closures and detouring of public access to the Greenbelt corridor in the project area. Access to adjacent public uses will not be impeded.

Findings of Fact:
All construction activities will occur within the existing boundaries of the Julia Davis Park property.

The proposed project complies with the Boise River System Ordinance.

The proposed project is located outside of the Heron Rookeries Setback Lands and Waters.

Aesthetic features within the Greenbelt Setback Area, as viewed from within the corridor, shall be improved when the project is complete.

RECOMMENDATION: The department requests that the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission recommend approval of the Boise River System Application to the Boise Planning and Zoning Commission.

B. IDAHO STATE MUSEUM – MONUMENT SIGN REQUEST – Requested by Toby Norton, Parks Planning Manager (See Item III.B. on the agenda)

At the November 15, 2018 Boise Parks and Recreation Commission meeting, the Idaho State Historical Society requested approval of a monument sign to be placed along Capitol Blvd. The Commission denied the signage request because its proposed placement along Capitol Blvd would interfere with the other tenants of Julia Davis Park (Zoo Boise, the Discovery Center of Idaho, the Black History Museum, and the Boise Art Museum).

Boise Parks and Recreation Department staff have worked with the Idaho State Historical Society and Idaho State Museum staff to find an alternative location adjacent to their building within the landscape planter. The monument sign has been modified to better fit the scale of the building and its surrounding landscaping (Exhibit B).

RECOMMENDATION: The department recommends that the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission approve the Idaho State Museum’s monument sign request.

NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS

A. MINUTES – AUGUST 15, 2019 – Requested by Doug Holloway, Boise Parks and Recreation Director (See Item IV.A. on the agenda)

RECOMMENDATION: The department requests that the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission review the August 15, 2019 Boise City Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (Exhibit C) and approve the minutes if there are no recommended changes.

B. PROPOSAL TO NAME CITY OF BOISE TRAIL – “FLORENCE’S TRAIL” – Requested by Sara Arkle, Foothills & Open Space Superintendent (See Item IV.B. on the agenda)

The Boise Parks and Recreation Commission is authorized to review proposals of naming a city-owned park, trail, natural area, or public recreational facility, per Resolution No. 358-15 (Exhibit D). The Resolution establishes that naming an asset for a person is limited to those people whose significance and exemplary reputation have been accepted in the history of the city, state, or nation.

Director Holloway received a proposal to name a trail in Camel’s Back Reserve, “Florence’s Trail.” The proposal came via email from Laurie Cavey on August 14, 2019 and included a proposal to the Commission and expressions of public support (Exhibit E).

A public hearing will be included for this agenda item.
**RECOMMENDATION:** The department requests that the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission recommend approval of naming the City of Boise Trail in Camel’s Back Reserve, “Florence’s Trail,” to Boise City Council.

**C. ALTA HARRIS COMMUNITY PARK MASTER PLAN REVISION –** Requested by Jennifer Tomlinson, Parks Superintendent (See Item IV.C. on the agenda)

Alta Harris Community Park is a 20-acre undeveloped park located off Eckert Rod, adjacent to the Boise River. An open house was held in January 2018 to present development concepts to the public. Preferred amenities included a playground, interactive water feature, pollinator gardens, group shelters, pickleball and bocce ball courts, soccer fields, passive open space, wetlands, and walking paths. A Greenbelt extension will be completed in the future.

The master plan concept was approved by the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission in March 2018. Since then, the department has secured water rights for the park, eliminating the need for an irrigation pond and allowing for the addition of a third soccer field. Additionally, after accounting for the demographics of Barber Valley, additional pickleball courts were added to the plan. The revised master plan (Exhibit F) was presented to the Barber Valley Neighborhood Association and department staff received positive feedback on the revision (Exhibit G).

Approx. 10% of the Alta Harris Park site is situated within the Boise River floodway and approx. 50% is situated within the floodplain. With the approval of the revised master plan, the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission would be recommending a Boise River System & Floodplain Permit to the Boise Planning and Zoning Commission.

A public hearing will be included for this agenda item.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The department requests that the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission approve the revised Alta Harris Community Park Master Plan and recommend approval of the Boise River System Application to the Boise Planning and Zoning Commission.
Cottonwood Creek Daylighting - Boise River System Permit

Exhibit A
This map is a user generated static output from an Internet mapping site and is for reference only. Data layers that appear on this map may or may not be accurate, current, or otherwise reliable.

THIS MAP IS NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATION.
Idaho State Museum Monument Sign Request

Exhibit B
DOUBLE FACE MONUMENT SIGN

ALUMINUM CABINET AND DECORATIVE ACCENTS TEXTURED & PAINTED

DOWNING SAND (SW 2822)
DOWNING STONE (SW 2821)

REVERSE PAN ALUMINUM MUSEUM GRAPHIC WITH 2" RETURNS PAINTED PMS 228 C
#49 BEIGE HP VINYL ACCENTS APPLIED TO FACE
WHITE L.E.D. HALO ILLUMINATION INSTALLED WITH STAND OFFS

MAIN COPY BACKED WITH WHITE ACRYLIC & #222 BLACK DUAL COLOR FILM OVERLAY
MUSEUM COPY BACKED WITH WHITE ACRYLIC & DIGITALLY PRINTED PMS 228 C ON CLEAR VINYL
INTERNAL L.E.D. ILLUMINATION

1/4" ALUMINUM ADDRESS NUMBERS PAINTED BLACK FLUSH MOUNTED

2" THICK SANDSTONE VENEER WITH ALUMINUM CAP PAINTED TO MATCH CABINET
(3) ROWS OF 7 5/8" TALL SANDSTONE WITH 1/2" MORTAR JOINTS & 1/2" MORTAR BEHIND VENEER
Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2019

Exhibit C

PARKS AND RECREATION
I. CALL TO ORDER:

Commission President Jon Ruzicka called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

II. ATTENDANCE:

A. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Jon Ruzicka, Angela Johnson, Preston Carter, Susan McIlroy, Stephen Smith and Scott Raeber

Commissioners Absent: Kate Lovan and Erik Stidham

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Beer/Wine Sales and Serving Permits for 2019 Special Events

MOTION: Boise Parks and Recreation Commission recommended approval of the beer/wine sales and serving permits for Latino Fest and the Boise Grilled Cheese and Beer Festival.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: S. Smith
SECONDER: S. Raeber
AYES: Unanimous
ABSENT: K. Lovan and E. Stidham

B. Memorandum of Agreement - City of Boise and Friends of Zoo Boise

MOTION: Boise Parks and Recreation Commission recommended approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Boise and Friends of Zoo Boise.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: S. Smith
SECONDER: S. Raeber
AYES: Unanimous
ABSENT: K. Lovan and E. Stidham

C. Park Rule Establishment - Surfing Leashes within J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation Boise River Whitewater Park
MOTION: Boise Parks and Recreation Commission established a rule prohibiting the use of surfboard leashes within the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation Boise River Whitewater Park.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: S. Smith
SECONDER: S. Raeber
AYES: Unanimous
ABSENT: K. Lovan and E. Stidham

D. Boise River System and Floodplain Permit - Bernadine Quinn Riverside Park

MOTION: Boise Parks and Recreation Commission recommended approval of the Boise River System and Floodplain application to the Boise Planning and Zoning Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: S. Smith
SECONDER: S. Raeber
AYES: Unanimous
ABSENT: K. Lovan and E. Stidham

IV. IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS:

A. Minutes - June 20, 2019

MOTION: Boise Parks and Recreation Commission moved to recommend the approval of the June 20, 2019 Boise Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes to Boise City Council.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: S. Smith
SECONDER: S. Raeber
AYES: Unanimous
ABSENT: K. Lovan and E. Stidham

E. Stidham joined the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

B. Park Naming - J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation Bike Park

Summary: D. Holloway stated there was an agreement with the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation to name its latest contribution to the department, the bike skills park in Military Reserve, after the Foundation.

The proposed park name was ‘J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation Bike Park.’ The park naming would be voted on by the Commission, then ratified by resolution by City Council.
A. Johnson questioned if pushback on the proposed name was expected, to which D. Holloway stated that none was anticipated. The proposed name fits within the confines of the Park and Facility Naming Policy.

**MOTION:** Boise Parks and Recreation Commission moved to recommend the approval of ‘J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation Bike Park’ as the resolved name of the park to Boise City Council.

**RESULT:** APPROVED
**MOVER:** S. Smith
**SECONDER:** E. Stidham
**AYES:** Unanimous
**ABSENT:** K. Lovan

V. **IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Commission at the time, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

**RESULT:** APPROVED
**MOVER:** S. Smith
**SECONDER:** S. McIlroy
**AYES:** Unanimous
**ABSENT:** K. Lovan

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Jon Ruzicka, President
Park and Facility Naming Policy
(Res. 358-15)

Exhibit D
CITY OF BOISE

Resolution NO. RES-358-15

BY THE COUNCIL CLEGG, JORDAN, LUDWIG, MCLEAN, QUINTANA, AND THOMSON

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ESTABLISHING A PARK AND FACILITY NAMING POLICY FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOISE CITY, IDAHO:

Section 1. That the Park and Facility Naming Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, for the City’s Department of Parks and Recreation, shall be, and is hereby, approved as to both form and content.

Section 2. That the Park and Facility Naming Policy shall be, and is hereby, formally established as an official policy of the Boise City Department of Parks and Recreation.

Section 3. That Parks and Recreation Department staff be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to all things reasonably necessary to implement and adhere to the Park and Facility Naming Policy.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

ADOPTED by the Council of Boise City, Idaho, on July 28, 2015.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the Boise City, Idaho, on July 28, 2015.

APPROVED: ATTEST:

David H. Bieter, Mayor Lynda Lowry, Ex-Officio City Clerk
I. **Background.** The act of naming a park, trail, natural area, or public recreational facility (each being a City-owned “Asset”) is significant and meaningful. A name invokes powerful emotions, creates impressions, and evokes memories of history and events. The naming of an asset is intended to be a permanent act, and must be approached in a thoughtful manner. The name given to an Asset should:

A. Honor the history of the land and of the area;
B. Reflect the present character of the land;
C. Respect the use of the land and our relationship to the land; and
D. Maintain this honor, reflection, and respect into the future.

II. **Purpose.** This Park and Facility Naming Policy establishes a systematic and consistent approach to use in reviewing and considering names for major Assets.

III. **Authority.** The Boise Parks and Recreation Commission is authorized, by Boise City Code Section 13-01-04, to propose, adopt, promulgate, and ratify rules, regulations, and policies governing the control and regulation of all public park grounds, park and recreation facilities, open space, zoos, and cemeteries in the City.

IV. **Guiding Principles.**

A. Naming Assets will best serve the interests of the City, and will provide a worthy and enduring legacy for the City’s parks and recreation Assets.

B. Boise Parks & Recreation strives to name Assets to best reflect the significance of a feature and the community it serves, while also providing a worthy and enduring legacy for the Boise City parks and recreation system.

C. The name given to an Asset must be appropriate to the location and must remain relevant as the community grows and changes.

D. Proposed names for Trails or Trailhead locations within City-owned open space reserves should be descriptive of the character of the country through which the trail passes. New trails generally will be named for one of the following:

1. A significant point of interest in the vicinity of the trail (i.e., “Chuckar Butte Trail”);
2. Local geographical designations in the vicinity of the trail (i.e., “Cottonwood Creek Trail”);
3. Local flora or fauna found in the vicinity of the trail (i.e., “Bucktail Trail” or “Bitterbrush Trail”); or
4. A point of historical significance located near the trail (i.e., “Table Rock Quarry Trail”).
5. A trail or trailhead may be named after a person (or for people) per section ‘V. (Policy) C.’ of this policy.

V. Policy.

A. All naming suggestions for Assets shall be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

B. General Standards. In reviewing proposed names, the Commission shall consider whether the proposed name has any or all of the following:
   1. Is appropriate for the Asset being named;
   2. Honors the location and history of the Asset;
   2. Will retain its historical, cultural, or social significance for future generations;
   3. Commemorates places, people, or events of importance to the City, the region, the state, or the nation; and
   4. Has broad public support.

C. Specific Criteria. The Parks and Recreation Commission shall use the following criteria in reviewing a suggested name for an Asset, depending on the category of name suggested and the type of Asset for which the name is being considered:
   1. Naming an Asset for a Person (or for People). Naming for individuals is limited to those people whose significance and exemplary reputation have been accepted in the history of the City, the state, or the nation.
   2. Naming an Asset for an Historic Event, Person (or People), or Place. When an Asset is associated with or located near events, people, or places of historic, cultural or social significance, consideration will be given to naming that park and/or facility after such events, people, and places. In considering such proposals, the relationship of the event, person, or place to the Asset must be established through research and documentation.
   3. Naming an Asset that Qualifies as a Major Donation. Significant donations may be made to the City, adding considerable value to the City’s park and recreation system. The City will consider recognizing significant donations by naming a related new Asset in honor of, or at the request of, the donor(s). The threshold for considering the naming of a related new Asset in honor of, or at the request of, the donor(s) shall be one (1) or more of the following:
      a. Fee simple ownership of a minimum of thirty percent (30%) of the land required or used for the Asset is donated to the City.
      b. A minimum of sixty percent (60%) of the costs of designing, developing, and constructing the Asset is donated or contributed to the City.
      c. An endowment, for a minimum term of twenty (20) years, for the continued maintenance or programming of the Asset, is dedicated to the City.
4. Naming a Capital Project. When a partner organization of the Parks and Recreation Department raises funds for a capital project that will be built within the parks and recreation system, the partner organization may present an integrated naming plan that includes Assets to be named, proposed naming standards, and proposed donation tiers. Approval by the Parks and Recreation Commission shall be a prerequisite to any such integrated naming plan.

VI. Procedure. For all Asset naming requests, the following procedure shall be followed:

A. All naming requests shall be made in writing to the Director of the Department of Parks & Recreation.

B. All naming requests shall include, at a minimum:
   1. The proposed name;
   2. Reasons in support of the proposed name;
   3. Documentary proof of any broad community support for the proposed name;
   4. A description of the Parks and Recreation Asset for which the name is proposed;
   5. A detailed map, aerial depiction, or land survey showing the location and site or boundaries of the Asset for which a name is being proposed;
   6. Any additional documents, information, or other supporting items requested by staff or by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

C. If proposing to name an Asset for a person or for people, documentary proof must be included that demonstrates the namesake’s exemplary reputation or significant role in the history of the City, the state, or the nation.

D. Upon receipt of a naming request, the relevant neighborhood association(s) shall be advised of the request and invited to comment.

E. Each naming proposal will be considered by Parks & Recreation Commission.

F. The Parks & Recreation Commission will review the proposed name(s), take public comment, and make a recommendation to the Mayor and City Council.

G. In all cases, the Boise City Council retains authority to:
   1. Accept or decline ownership of the proposed Asset;
   2. Reject the proposed name for the Asset; and
   3. Waive any standard or requirement contained in this policy.
Proposal to Name City of Boise Trail - Florence's Trail

Exhibit E

Parks and Recreation
Chloe Sallabanks

From: Laurie Cavey <lauriecavey@boisestate.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:14 AM
To: Doug Holloway
Cc: Chloe Sallabanks
Subject: [External] Proposal to name Camel's Back area trail Florence's Trail

Director Holloway,

Please see the attached proposal to name a trail in the Camel's Back area, "Florence's Trail," after a longtime resident of Boise who immigrated to the US from the Republic of Cameroon and who was also a naturalized citizen of the US.

The information provided addresses each of the requirements stated in the Boise Parks and Recreation Department's policy for naming a trail. However, should additional information be needed, please advise.

I sincerely appreciate your consideration of this request.

Laurie

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Laurie Cavey
Professor, Mathematics Department
Project PI, VCAST
MB 141
208-426-1829
Florence’s Trail Proposal to the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission
Laurie Cavey
August 14, 2019

Proposal Summary: Give the Camel’s Back area trail, circled in black below, the name, “Florence’s Trail,” to honor and memorialize a long-time resident of Boise, Florence Niba, whose love for life and running was an inspiration to everyone she met. Florence immigrated to the US in the late 1980s from the Republic of Cameroon, and died, at age 52, due to complications from ovarian cancer on June 30, 2018. By naming a trail after her, the Boise Parks and Recreation Commision would be making a significant statement about the importance of our immigrant population to the Boise community.

Three viewpoints, marked on the map with numbered yellow circles are pictured below.

Viewpoint 1  Viewpoint 2  Viewpoint 3
Background: Florence Niba immigrated to the US from the Republic of Cameroon with her husband in the late 1980’s. Soon after settling in the US, she found herself as a young, single parent in a foreign country, trying to raise her infant daughter and attend college. By the time she moved to the Boise area in the late 90’s, she had completed a bachelor’s degree at BYU in management with honors. Like many immigrants here in the US, Florence was the financial backbone of her family, both here and in her native country. She often worked more than one job and saved money while sacrificing her own needs. She helped her sisters start businesses in Cameroon and, at the time of her death, was in the process of building a family home in Cameroon to establish honor for her family in their village.

Southminster Presbyterian Church
Camel’s Back Area

I met Florence in 2009 soon after moving to Boise to start a faculty position at Boise State University. Florence and I connected through our love of running, spending time together on the many miles of trails available to us in the Boise foothills. We ran many races together in the area, including the Idaho Potato Half Marathon, the Race to Robie Creek, the Sawtooth Relay, the YMCA’s Christmas Run and the Zeitgeist Half Marathon. It was through our time running that we learned about each other--both our personal struggles and triumphs. Having Florence as a friend has had a huge impact on my life and led to my having a much greater appreciation for the challenges that immigrants face, especially those who are persons of color. The identified trail in this proposal is significant to me because this trail is the one that Florence would regularly insist that we run up at the end of our Camel’s Back area runs. (And the Camel’s Back area was the place we met for our weekly runs for several years.) Florence continued to insist that we push ourselves to run this short, yet challenging, trail even through her illness. She is undoubtedly the most positive, and hardworking person I have ever met. Her capacity to stay motivated, even when enduring great pain, is nothing I have ever witnessed before, and doubt I will ever do so again.

Once I began working on this proposal, I started to see the many ways that Florence also touched the lives of so many in the Boise community and beyond. As you will see in the supporting evidence, Florence had a positive impact on the people she worked with, the people in her church community, those she coached and supported through their athletic pursuits, and even those she didn’t really know. Every time I meet someone who knew her, the response is the same. That is, I can say with confidence that Florence was unique in her ability to make individuals feel loved. While I thought I was someone special to her because of the fact that we called each other sister, I learned that’s how Florence thought about each and every individual--as family. Finally, her story is one worth being told and remembered.
Rationale: The rationale for this proposal is summarized via the following points.

1. The identified trail is part of a collection of trails in the main Camel’s Back Park area referred to as “Camel’s Back Trails.” As such, the trail does not currently have a unique name.
2. Runners who frequent the Camel’s Back area recognize the trail as an opportunity to challenge themselves one last time at the end of a run. Running up this trail, especially at the end of a long run, requires the kind of positive spirit and mental toughness Florence had. Naming the trail after Florence would also provide continued inspiration to those who walk or run it in the future.
3. Naming the trail after Florence is also an opportunity to honor a member of Boise’s immigrant population who significantly contributed to the lives of many through her work at the prison, involvement in her church community, and her many endeavors related to inspiring people to be physically active and take care of their bodies, such as through her part-time job at Curves.
4. Finally, naming the trail after Florence is an opportunity to bring the ratio of male to female named trails closer to one-to-one. I identified 8 trails associated with men (Bob’s, Freddy’s Stack Rock, Hard Guy, Kemper’s Ridge, Mr. Big, Robert Smylie, Scott’s, Shane’s) and 5 trails associated with women (Peggy’s, Hell Mary, Sweet Connie, Femrite’s Patrol, Twisted Sister). I was not able to determine the gender associations for either D’s chaos trail or Huck.

Demonstration of Broad Community Support: Broad community support is demonstrated through the attached personal letters, email communications, the online petitions on Facebook and Tumblr, and paper petitions. The range of individuals supporting this proposal includes,

- members of Florence’s church community,
- individuals with whom Florence worked,
- other friends and acquaintances,
- local educators,
- local elected officials,
- individuals associated with the International Rescue Committee, and
- local runners and other athletes.

To date, a total of 257 individuals have expressed their support for naming the identified trail Florence’s Trail. Of those, at least 216 are associated with the Boise area. I anticipate further support to be demonstrated through the number of individuals who appear for the public hearing to be held when the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission considers this proposal. Attachments are listed below.

- Letters from:
  - Marie-Flore Akwen Quarles, daughter
  - Reverend Marci Auld Glass, Southminster Presbyterian Church
  - Carolyn Blackhurst, longtime friend
  - Janna Sherwood, longtime friend
  - Pete Cavey, friend
  - Bruce Walters, Mountain View High School Cross Country and Track Coach
  - Kim Gunn, English Learner Counselor, Centennial High School
- Email communication from: Representatives Mathew Erpelding and Melissa Wintrow
- Downloaded comments from: Facebook and Tumblr petitions
- Scanned paper petitions
To whom it may concern:

Greetings and blessings,

My name is Marie-Flore Quarles, daughter of Florence Niba. I am mother to her two young grandchildren, Zuriel Dawitt and Zeruiah HalleluYah, who were and are the Lights of her life. I grew up in Boise, Idaho and lived there throughout my youth until I left for college in August of 2008. I matriculated through the Boise School District school system of education from Maple Grove Elementary School, to South Junior High, then finally on to Borah High School, my alma mater. I still have many dear and beloved friends and family who reside in Boise. Growing up in the church community of Southminster Presbyterian was a true gift and treasure allotted by my mother. She always made sure my faith was strong and secure in The Most High God; her faith was a living example and testimony to all she met. I remember when my mother first started running, as myself and our dog at the time, Jammer, would often accompany her. We started off running to the "end" of our neighborhood and back a few times every week, but shortly after, the distance steadily grew. Before I knew what hit me, I found myself (as a 12 year old girl) needing to ride my bike in order to accompany my mother as we traveled up Maple Grove Rd, to Victory Rd, then to Five Mile Rd, then to Overland Rd and back to Maple Grove, finishing at our neighborhood where we began! It was like she found complete peace in running, despite the stresses of life that were evident to me even at my young age. She was happy when she ran. She found renewed strength and vigor after each session. I have always been completely amazed at the amount of endurance and joy my mother has; it is truly like nothing I have ever before witnessed. My mother continued her running experience while I was away at college and would often tell me of the amazing new people she met and connected with. One day she called me and told me she was going to start training for marathons! I wish I could have said I was surprised, but I most definitely was not. The sheer determination and strength of my mother always has assured me that this feat would be a breeze for her. And she was absolutely incredible at it! Running became an intimate and important part of her life. She would often tell me about the adventures her and Laurie would have and what a blessing she found in her friendship. She joined a women's running team and totally loved it! Camel's Back was one of her absolute favorite spots to run and release. She would pack up her dogs Buukah and Zaephur and hit the trails all day. Buukah, at 15 years old, is still alive and very well, and I am convinced it is all because of the hundreds of miles he has ran in his lifetime with Mommy, haha! I am inspired by my mother in every aspect. I have recently began my own running journey with my children, and it would be such a blessing to come to visit Boise and run on the trail dedicated to the memory of my beloved mother. Words truly cannot express the sheer amount of joy and Love she put into each and every person she met. Naming this trail after her would not only be a blessing to her community back in Boise, but it would stand as a memorial to those worldwide who support and love her, even in death. She truly is a one of a kind joy. Please, help us keep her memory alive with the dedication of this trail in remembrance of her Spirit. All of us who love her are thankful and grateful for your time and consideration regarding the matter. We are hopeful this will come to fruition and we put our full support into seeing this come to be! Thank you again for your time and patience. Bless you all!

Sincerely,
Marie-Flore, Zuriel Dawitt, & Zeruiah HalleluYah Quarles
July 13, 2019

To whom it may concern:

I have been the pastor of Southminster Presbyterian Church for eleven years. In that time, I was blessed to know Florence Niba. She welcomed me to the church with an oversize and contagious laugh and was a faithful member of the community until she moved to Georgia to be closer to her daughter, shortly before Florence died of cancer.

Naming a foothills trail after Florence would be a perfect way to remember her. Even in the depth of her cancer, she would be found on the trails, connecting her love of running to her love of God’s creation.

She was an important part of our community, and I know she was held in similar regards at the prison where she worked, the gym where she worked out, and any other space where she spent time. She knew, maybe better than any of us, the ways we are all connected, one to another. She never took that for granted.

The foothill trails also connect us, one to another. It’s one of the spaces where we overcome our differences to enjoy the things we have in common. I hope to be able to hike on a Florence trail in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Rev. Marci Allen Glass
Pastor
July 23, 2019

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter in support of naming a trail after Florence. Florence was a dear friend of mine for over 20 years. We met at church and she became like a sister to me. Florence was compassionate and kind, and loved all people.

For many years Florence volunteered with Vacation Bible School at Southminster Presbyterian Church. VBS was a program that attracted many kids from the community who did not attend church at Southminster. They came each year because they knew they were loved and welcomed, and Florence was a big part of that. She served in many capacities at VBS including leading music and helping in crafts and snacks. She made it fun for everyone, adults and children alike.

Florence loved spending time at Camp Sawtooth, a small Presbyterian church camp in the Sawtooth Mountains. It was there where she would share stories of growing up in Cameroon-stories of sword dances, snakes, and more. We looked forward to her stories every year. There is a cross on a mountain that overlooks camp, and one year at All Church Retreat, Florence joined a group that was going to hike to the cross. As they were preparing to leave she shared with me that she was in a time of transition, and it wasn’t an easy time. She shared about her deep faith and belief in God and trusted that God had a plan for her. As she told me that, a butterfly started flying around her, and eventually landed on her shoe. It was a glorious moment, and to this day I think of Florence when I see butterflies. I am certain Florence’s trail would be filled with butterflies.

In the early 2000’s Florence served as the head of the Deacons at Southminster. Deacons tend to be compassionate caregivers; that was Florence. During that time, my mother-in-law Virginia was in hospice care. One evening I received a call from Florence checking to see how we were doing and what she could do to help. Virginia was actively dying at that point; we were caring for her in her home. Florence offered to organize food for our family and for the memorial service when the time came. She gave us comfort during an extremely hard time. Virginia had never stepped foot in our church or met Florence, and yet Florence was willing to be there for her along with our family. That was Florence—her love was for all people.

The summer of 2017, before she moved to Georgia, Florence helped me lead All Church Retreat. The theme of the camp was Be Still and Know That I Am God. Florence led us to place of holy, sacred stillness as a group. This was especially powerful because Florence’s personality was larger than life—joyful, bubbly, always laughing. She helped us deepen our faith and we experienced a different side of Florence. What a gift.

Florence was perpetually late, and this was a wonderful gift, because when she entered a room, the energy always rose. Florence brought love and life with her and she shared it with everyone. She is way too big to silenced by death. Florence is all around us now, in butterflies, sunshine, flowers and birds. To name a trail after her would be a great way to honor her life, and her love for hiking, running, Idaho, people and trails. I do hope you will consider naming a trail after Florence. I will visit it often.

Respectfully,

Caroline Blackhurst
643 E. Sedgwick St.
Meridian ID 83646
August 11, 2019

Boise Parks and Recreation Dept.
Boise, Id
Attn: Doug Holloway

Dear Mr. Holloway,

I am writing regarding the proposal presented by Laurie Cavey to name a specific trail in the Boise Foothills near Camels Back Park after our dear friend Florence Niba. We are requesting that the trail be named “Florence’s Trail”.

Florence was a very dear friend of mine and of many people in Boise. Sadly, she died of Ovarian Cancer a year ago at the age of 52. It was a very great loss as she was truly a joy to everyone who knew her. She was raised as the middle child of a family with 9 other siblings originally from Cameroon Africa and came to the United States in 1988 as an immigrant with her church at the time, settling in Provo, Utah. She was married to a man also from her province in Cameroon but divorced shortly after arriving here. At the same time bringing her beloved daughter Marie into the world. She worked very hard juggling the raising of her daughter alone in a strange new land and while going to BYU to receive her degree in Business. In 1996 she moved to Boise transferring with K-Mart without knowing anyone and put down roots here. Not too long after moving to Boise she landed a job as a Kitchen Supervisor with the Idaho Department of Corrections and worked up until she became ill. She was loved by both staff and inmates alike as she was personable and kind to everyone she knew without judgement. She later became an American Citizen and she considered this one of her proudest achievements. She was active in her church and had the most open mind and heart to all she encountered. She wanted all people to feel at ease, perhaps knowing what it’s like to be an outsider in a new country.

Florence developed many interests, one of which was running. As a child in Cameroon she ran through the local forests and through the streets of her province with great delight and as an adult re-discovered that same delight by running throughout Boise and in many local races, but her favorite place to run was in the foothills of Boise with her friends and her dog Bukkah. She truly loved the wildness of the area and remarked that being so close to nature was akin to her spirit and the feeling of freedom she experienced as a child. She loved Boise so very much but running in the hills just sang to her.

I truly can’t think of anyone that better deserves to have a trail named after her. She truly epitomizes how Boise was built, by courageous independent self-sufficient individuals with kind hearts and a willingness to work and contribute. That’s what makes our city great. She is the perfect example of how people who settle here from another nation can help build our community and make a difference. I wish you’d had the opportunity to meet this remarkable woman. Imagine arriving alone in the United States and over many years building scores of friendships that to this day have left behind a beautiful lasting mark. That’s why Florence’s Trail
will be an honor to her and the life she lived, as well as leaving a legacy for her loving family and friends to enjoy and appreciate for years to come.

Thank you for taking the time to review my letter and the many requests to make Florence’s Trail a reality.

Sincerely,

Janna Sherwood
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208-514-5579
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Boise, ID 83709  
22 July 2019

Boise Parks & Recreation

Florence Niba was a friend of mine who was very active in my church community and in the running community. For a while we would have weekly runs with anyone at church who wanted to participate. Florence was always there! And as a Mountain View Cross Country and Track coach, I really appreciate when someone wants to get out the door and run as much as she did. She wasn’t the fastest woman on the planet, but then I’m not the fastest guy either, so we had a great time whenever we got to run together. Each October during the CROP Walk, we would do the CROP Run, where we’d raise money for hunger.

When we would be on runs together, we’d have time to talk about our families, i.e. our kids and our grandkids. We’d talk about our jobs, the good parts and not so good parts. On one run, her phone kept ringing and she finally answered to hear from her sister back in Cameroon and after her call, she talked to me about her life growing up as a kid in Africa and how while she loved her life in the States, she still longed for her family back home. She worked full time and then studied for professional certification. But our runs together at Camel’s Back, Fort Boise, on the Greenbelt, wherever, were ways we got to enjoy the outdoors and each other’s company.

Florence was without a doubt the happiest person I’ve probably ever met. Even through adversity, she had a smile and a laugh that was incredible and infectious. We all knew her laugh (oh, there’s Florence!). She had a faith in God almost beyond reason. Regardless of her failing health or daily life problems, Florence would only speak of praise for God ... how lucky she and all of us were just to be alive. She is physically gone now, to be with her creator, but she is so alive in our minds and our hearts. She left an indelible impression on all of us who knew and loved her.

A fellow runner and church friend, Laurie Cavey, is eager to have an unnamed portion of the Camels’s Back Trails named on her behalf, as “Florence’s Trail.” Florence was an inspiration to many of us and even when she was so very sick, she’d find a way to get out the door for a run. I’d chide her on and she’d rise to the occasion. What a great way to honor a loving spirit such as Florence’s and letting anyone out on a trail run know it was named for such a caring woman!

Please seriously consider Laurie’s request, and give name to this particular trail she ran so often, to honor our sister and our friend.

Sincerely,

Bruce Walters  
MVHS XC & Track Coach
My wife Laurie and I met Florence Niba in 2009 through Southminster Presbyterian Church.

A group of us would get together for runs at Camelsback, Polecats and Military Reserve.

As problems with my knees progressed, I was typically walking at the back of the pack. Laurie and Florence logged many miles together, running The Sawtooth Relay, Robie, and Boise area half marathons.

After Florence’s cancer diagnosis and during her chemo treatments, the two of us would get together for walks on those same trails we had run on. I would remind her that was the only time I had ever been able to keep up with her. It was during that time that I really got to know Florence.

She told me how about her life in Africa and how she had made the journey from her village in Cameroon to Utah and navigating the change of culture. Her story of raising a daughter as a single parent, earning a college degree, and working multiple jobs here in Boise to support herself should give us all insight as to the value of immigrants to our country and society. Florence never bragged about her accomplishments, they were just the things she had to do. Her optimism, overflowing personality and laugh (just the same as they had always been), convinced us all that she would beat the diagnosis she had received. The last thing she shared with me was “I just want to live!”

The proposal to designate one of the Camelsback trails as ‘Florence’s Trail’ would be a wonderful way to celebrate Boise’s rich multicultural fabric, the contributions of her hard work to our area, and a celebration of a remarkable person who was loved by all. As I head up the trail from the back side of Camelsback after a long walk, I am inspired by how Florence always wanted to exert a little more energy into every aspect of her life (and make me walk up that last hill). As I reach the top of the trail and the view opens up over the park and beyond, it inspires me to share Florence’s joy of life.

Pete Cavey Boise, ID 83702
To the Boise Parks and Recreation Commission, August 2, 2019

I am writing this letter in support of the Florence’s Trail Proposal. As someone who enjoys our wonderful Ridge to Rivers system of trails almost daily, I was excited to hear about this proposal to name a specific section of the Camel’s Back area trails.

One of my friends told me about Florence Niba and what a part our trails played in her life here in Boise. I never had the pleasure of meeting Florence, but through conversations with her friend, Laurie Cavey, I truly wish that I had known her. Her story is compelling. Her struggles, her zest for life, and her desire to give back to her community all reflect the spirit I see everyday in the immigrant and refugee high school students that I work with.

Sometimes, I think that it is easy for those of us who grew up here to forget and appreciate what an amazing place Boise is. For those who are new to the US, Boise is a new beginning and a place to grow, a place of safety and opportunity. Most of my students and their families are a lot like Florence was. They enjoy the parks, trails, and greenbelt that make Boise unique. Giving back to the community is a part of their lives.

I can’t think of a better way to honor a wonderful woman like Florence and to recognize the rich contributions that immigrants make to our community than to add Florence’s Trail to our trail system.

Sincerely,

Kim Gunn
request to honor local immigrant Florence Niba

Representative Melissa Winrow <MWintrow@house.idaho.gov>  
To: Laurie Cavey <lauriecavey@boisestate.edu>  

Laurie,

So nice to hear from you and what a lovely gesture. It sounds like they were healing for her in her illness and she was healing to those she met. I don’t know the intricacies in naming things and policy surrounding it, but I assume you are working with the appropriate parties in the city and are just seeking my support?

Let me know how I can help and if you would like to meet sometime : - ) thanks for all your hard work helping students and helping our community!

Melissa

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From: Laurie Cavey <lauriecavey@boisestate.edu>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2019 12:38 PM
To: Representative Melissa Winrow <MWintrow@house.idaho.gov>
Subject: request to honor local immigrant Florence Niba

Dear Melissa,

Thank you for your continued service to the state of Idaho, and particularly the letter you recently penned with your Democratic colleagues in support of the ongoing diversity and inclusion efforts at Boise State University. As one of your constituents, and a professor at Boise State University, I hope you will find this request to be consistent with your interests.

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Like many immigrants here in the US, Florence was the financial backbone of her family, both here and in Cameroon. She often worked more than one job and saved money while sacrificing her own needs to make that possible. She helped her sisters start businesses in Cameroon and was in the process of building a family home at the place where her mother would be buried in order to establish honor for her family in their village.

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As someone committed to taking steps to welcome and support all individuals who live here feel welcome, I ask that you please consider supporting this proposal. I make this request as Florence’s long-time running partner and close
friend. She was truly a "sister from another mother" to me and will always have a special place in my heart.

Sincerely,

Laurie Cavey

Map showing the trail I propose to name, "Florence's Trail."

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Laurie Cavey

Professor, Mathematics Department

Project PI, VCAST

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208-426-1829
request to honor local immigrant Florence Niba

Representative Mathew Erpelding <MErpelding@house.idaho.gov>  
Fri, Jul 19, 2019 at 6:26 AM

Laurie-
I think that sounds like a respectful way to honor a friend, immigrant, and conservationist. How can I help?

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On Thu, Jul 18, 2019 at 12:34 PM -0600, "Laurie Cavey" <lauriecavey@boisestate.edu> wrote:

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As an avid supporter of Boise’s immigrant population who is committed to taking steps to welcome and support all individuals who live here feel welcome, I ask that you please consider supporting this proposal. I make this request as Florence’s long-time running partner and close friend. She was truly a "sister from another mother" to me and will always have a special place in my heart.

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Florence's Trail Proposal

Legend

- Ridge to Rivers Trails
- BPR Managed Properties

Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community
Alta Harris
Community Park Master Plan Revision

Exhibit F

PARKS AND RECREATION
Alta Harris
Community Park -
Public Comment

Exhibit G

PARKS AND
RECREATION
Hi Sarah,

Thank you for giving us an opportunity to comment. From a safety and traffic viewpoint, the pedestrian/bike underpass seems to be the best option. There has really been an increase in car traffic along Eckert which will only increase as Barber Valley grows. Having an alternative route for pedestrians and cyclists to access the park and paths further West would be optimal so I surely hope the activated crosswalk is just a temporary fix and that the new underpass will be constructed. Rather than another soccer field, have you all considered some tennis courts? The closest ones are at the junior high and are not available during school hours. While pickleball is popular, tennis is also a pretty popular sport for those in the East side of town.

Thank you for the update!
Michelle Meyers

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On Oct 9, 2019, at 8:05 AM, Sarah Collings <SCollings@cityofboise.org> wrote:

Boise Parks and Recreation has been working through the preliminary designs for Alta Harris Park that were presented to the public January 17, 2018. We are currently about a year behind on construction of the park due to a few changes to the site plan that we would like your input on.

**Pond**

The Master Plan included a pond for irrigating the park. The City conducted a Water Supply Planning Investigation and determined that the pond wasn’t a viable option for irrigation. With the removal of the pond an additional soccer field can be added to the site for a total of three fields.

**Pathways**

We have been working on the ultimate location of the Greenbelt outside of the park area including the connection to the existing Greenbelt along Eckert Road. While we intend to construct a pedestrian/bike tunnel under Eckert Road, we do not have enough funding to construct it in our current construction environment. As an interim plan, we are proposing an at grade signal activated crosswalk to align with Millbrook Way that will connect the existing Greenbelt with the park. Pathways internal to the park will create a walking loop until the alignment and funding is identified for connectivity from Eckert to the new Gateway Reserve property adjacent to the Shakespeare Festival. No timeline has been established for the Greenbelt construction outside of the park.
Playground
The playground has been relocated outside of the floodplain.

Pickleball
The approved Master Plan included four pickleball courts. In looking at the demographics of the Barber Valley, we do not believe that 4 courts will be enough to serve the need of residents. Pickleball is a highly popular sport that attracts new users every year. We are proposing to increase the number of courts to 12 to accommodate the number of users we anticipate. We are currently constructing a similar sized facility at Hobble Creek Park in West Boise and anticipate that Alta Harris can better cater to residents of the Barber Valley without the need to drive long distances to get to courts. We are exploring sound mitigation opportunities including sound attenuating fabrics in order to minimize the impact to homeowners on Eckert Road. This part of the park will not be developed with this phase and will occur no sooner that 2022 as we look at grant funding to cover the construction cost.

Parking
The number of parking spaces has been reduced from 225 to 127. This reduction takes into account the amount of parking required for full participation of the different amenities in the park. We are currently working through a parking management strategy to address the impact of floater parking during the summer months.

We have reached out to the Barber Valley Neighborhood Association and incorporated their suggestions into the updated Master Plan. With these changes, the updated Master Plan will be before the Parks and Recreation Commission on October 17, 2019 at 4 p.m. at City Hall-Maryanne Jordan City Council Chambers. Once we have approval from our Commission, we will work on construction documents and have the project out to bid this winter. While we will make every effort to have the park ready for this summer, we are more realistically looking at September of 2020 for completion of this phase of park development. We are hopeful that we can fund the playground as part of this phase.

Attached are the approved 2018 Master Plan and the proposed Master Plan going to Parks Commission on October 17, 2019.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact us at bpr@cityofboise.org.
Hello,

We received an email from Sarah Collings about planned changes to the site plan for the Alta Harris Park Project and wanted to share a few quick comments for your records and consideration.

**Removal of the pond, adding of soccer field** - We're in favor. East Boise, and especially the Barber Valley, has a need for more soccer fields and open space in general.

**Pathways**-

- We're a bit confused on where the proposed interim Greenbelt path as well as the ultimate placement will be located since it's not indicated on the Alta Harris Draft map that was included in Sarah's email. An at grade crossing of Eckert is certainly not preferred as it's far more dangerous than a tunnel under. However, we understand the funding and construction constraints in the near term. We would just hope everything possible is done to facilitate the tunnel under Eckert Rd as quickly as possible. The longer the at grade crossing is utilized the more likely a serious ped/biker vs automobile collision will happen. Greenbelt at grade crossings have proven time and time again to be unsafe for Greenbelt users. Our request is to eliminate and minimize as many at grade crossings as possible. What can be done to improve the funding plan and expedite the construction of the tunnel under Eckert Rd?

- We're also curious to know the reasoning for not routing the Greenbelt through the park? Seems to make sense to do that (on the south-west side of the park as indicated in the Draft map).

**Pickleball** - We're very much in favor of the increase in the number of courts from 4 to 12. The sport's popularity continues to increase and there is great interest in more courts in East Boise. Nice modification! The sooner they can be funded and constructed the better. Adding sound baffling measures so near by neighbors are impacted as little as possible is a necessity.

**Parking** - The reduction of 98 parking spaces (44%) seems excessive considering the amount of summer time recreation use of the area (floaters, fishers, runners, walkers, bikers, etc.). We trust some thorough analysis has been conducted to determine the newly proposed and reduced 127 space figure. Our suggestion is slightly erroring to the plus side rather than too few. Should parking be insufficient at peak times it will lead to parking along Eckert Rd which is presently a problem. We would expect many neighbors in the park vicinity will complain to the city if motorists parking on the street becomes a problem. Nobody needs more of that!

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. Commencement of the park construction has been eagerly awaited by Harris Ranch residents for many years. We're excited about the development of this much needed amenity in the Barber Valley.

Thank you,
Chris and Bethany Hendrickson