

Metropolitan Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (MPRAB)

Renaming Process for Parks Named After Historical Figures

1. Anyone can request to have the current name changed by filling out the form located at <https://www.cabq.gov/parksandrecreation/documents/form-request-for-the-naming-or-renaming-of-parks-and-facilities.pdf>

If requests are made via e-mail to mprab@cabq.gov they will be directed to the form. No fee will be collected.

The requestor may suggest an alternative name. Per the existing park renaming policy names “consideration shall be given to names which reflect geographical locations, natural or geological features, or names in common usage, which will align the park with a particular neighborhood or location within the City.”

2. When the form is received city staff will notify the City Councilor for the park. The affected Neighborhood Associations will be notified per the requirements of the current Neighborhood Association Recognition Ordinance [http://library.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/New%20Mexico/albuqwin/chapter14zoningplannin gandbuilding/article8commissionscouncilsagenciesandot?f=templates\\$fn=default.htm\\$3.0\\$vid=amlegal:albuquerque_nm_mc\\$anc=JD_Chapter14Article8Part2](http://library.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/New%20Mexico/albuqwin/chapter14zoningplannin gandbuilding/article8commissionscouncilsagenciesandot?f=templates$fn=default.htm$3.0$vid=amlegal:albuquerque_nm_mc$anc=JD_Chapter14Article8Part2)

The Neighborhood Association may recommend an alternative name.

3. An on-line survey will be uploaded to the city web site. Possible survey services are survey monkey or Tableau. (ITSD may have to help build it.) The survey will ask if a name change is desirable and will suggest up to three replacement names to choose from.

Lessons learned from the housing survey...(If possible, try to collect an IP address- there wasn't much to prevent folks from voting multiple times and that was clear in the data that people did.

There were several options where once you made a selection it also let you do a write-in response and the process wasn't clear.

At the end of the survey, once you hit submit, the screen didn't change so people were hitting submit multiple times or going back and changing answers then hitting submit again. So at the end if the screen can change or take you to a thank you page, etc. then it will help prevent duplicate answers or weird data!)

4. A public meeting will be held within 1 month of the request being made, with two weeks notice of the meeting (by zoom if necessary). Invites will be posted on the city web site, the City of Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Facebook page, on next door, a sign will be located in the park of the requested name change. Department Staff will present the request to the general

public, provide a history of the person the park was originally named for. (Should the office of equity and inclusion help facilitate the meeting)

5. All of the data will be collected and presented to the MPRAB at the next scheduled meeting. The board will consider the name change request.