

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

January 22, 2002

Committee
Report No.

02-10

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Parks and Recreation Committee, having met on December 5, 2001 and January 9, 2002, makes reference to County Communication No. 01-113, from the Director of Public Works and Waste Management, relating to a request to rename the Wailuku Community Center in honor of Velma McWayne Santos.

According to the communication, the Commission on Naming Streets, Parks and Facilities (Commission) voted to recommend to the Council the denial of a request by the Council Chair to rename the Wailuku Community Center as the Velma McWayne Santos Wailuku Community Center. The Commission expressed its discomfort with naming any facility after an individual where there may be other past, present and/or future well-deserved individuals who should be equally recognized.

At its meeting of December 5, 2001, your Committee met with the Director of Parks and Recreation, the Director of Public Works and Waste Management, and a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

The Deputy Corporation Counsel stated that the Commission indicated that it received numerous requests to rename certain County parks and facilities after deserving individuals in the community. He further stated that since determining the most qualified person to receive such an honor was proving to be quite challenging, the Department of Parks and Recreation recommended that commemorative plaques be installed in-lieu of and in addition to naming or renaming County facilities. As a result, Ordinance No. 3009 which was recently passed by the Council, authorizes the installation of commemorative plaques at County parks and facilities.

The Deputy Corporation Counsel advised that your Committee has the option of sending this request to rename the Wailuku Community Center as the Velma McWayne Santos Wailuku Community Center to the Commission for

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reconsideration under the new ordinance, or the Council can adopt, modify, or reject the Commission's recommendation. He also stated that installation of commemorative plaques is subject to available funding from the County department having control and maintenance of the park or facility.

Your Committee expressed the desire to honor Mrs. Santos with the installation of a commemorative plaque and requested that a resolution be drafted honoring Velma McWayne Santos with the installation of a plaque at the Wailuku Community Center.

Your Committee deferred the matter pending further discussion.

By correspondence dated December 10, 2001, your Committee Chair requested that the Department of Parks and Recreation provide verification of funding for the installation of a commemorative plaque at the Wailuku Community Center.

By correspondence dated December 11, 2001, your Committee Chair requested that the Department of the Corporation Counsel review a proposed resolution entitled "HONORING VELMA McWAYNE SANTOS WITH THE INSTALLATION OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE AT THE WAILUKU COMMUNITY CENTER". The purpose of the proposed resolution is to honor Mrs. Santos for her many years of dedicated service and contributions to the community with the installation of a commemorative plaque at the Wailuku Community Center.

By correspondence dated December 14, 2001, the Department of the Corporation Counsel transmitted the proposed resolution, approved as to form and legality.

By correspondence dated December 26, 2001, the Director of Parks and Recreation provided verification of funding for the installation of a commemorative plaque at the Wailuku Community Center and outlined requirements as set forth by Ordinance No. 3009.

By correspondence dated January 7, 2002, your Committee Chair transmitted correspondence dated January 7, 2002 from Jocelyn A. Perreira,

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Executive Director/Tri-Isle Main Street Resource Center, in support of the installation of a commemorative plaque on behalf of Mrs. Santos. Ms. Perreira further recommended consideration of planting a tree in conjunction with the unveiling of the commemorative plaque.

At its meeting of January 9, 2002, your Committee met with the Director of Parks and Recreation and a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

The Director of Parks and Recreation indicated the Department's support of the installation of a commemorative plaque on behalf of Mrs. Santos and reiterated that funding is available for the purchase and maintenance of the plaque.

Your Committee supported the recommendation for planting of a tree in conjunction with the unveiling of the plaque, and requested that the proposed resolution be revised accordingly.

Your Committee further noted the valuable contributions that Mrs. Santos has made to our community and to the State of Hawaii. Your Committee expressed a desire to honor individuals, who have demonstrated an extraordinary level of service to our community and the people of Hawaii by honoring them with a greater level of recognition, such as naming or renaming a County park or facility. Your Committee requested that the Commission consider establishing standards for naming or renaming parks and facilities for those individuals that fall within the above-referenced category.

Your Committee voted to recommend adoption of the revised proposed resolution and filing of the communication.

Your Committee is in receipt of a revised proposed resolution, approved as to form and legality, by the Department of the Corporation Counsel. The revised proposed resolution adds a provision requesting that Mrs. Santos be honored with the planting of a tree in conjunction with the unveiling of the commemorative plaque.

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Your Parks and Recreation Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Resolution No. _____, attached hereto, entitled "HONORING VELMA McWAYNE SANTOS WITH THE INSTALLATION OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE AT THE WAILUKU COMMUNITY CENTER" be ADOPTED; and
2. That County Communication No. 01-113 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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