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NAMING OF FACILITIES

POLICY	The City Council shall name municipal buildings/facilities in recognition of the following:
	 Individuals, living or deceased, who have made outstanding contributions to the City of Santa Clara or Santa Clara community
	 Individuals, living or deceased, who have made contributions of local, state, national or worldwide significance
	 The geographic area in which the municipal building/facility is located
	The renaming of existing municipal buildings/facilities shall be discouraged and shall occur only under extraordinary circumstances, after thorough study. This policy does not change the existing procedures for Facility Naming recommendations from City Commissions. Under current practice, Parks and Recreation Commission, Youth Commission, Board of Library Trustees, and Cultural Advisory Commission make recommendations to the City Council for names of facilities relating to their respective Commissions. In addition, the Historical and Landmarks Commission, is responsible for recommendations on naming of streets and historical facilities.
PROCEDURE	1. Proposals for naming of facilities shall be referred to the Council Ad Hoc Facilities Naming Committee, which shall consist of three City Council Members appointed by vote of the Council, and the City Manager. Meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee shall be open to the public.
	2. The Ad Hoc Committee shall review all naming proposals, with the exception of naming proposals from the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Historical and Landmarks Commission, and make a recommendation to the City Council. Naming proposals from the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Historical and Landmarks Commission shall go directly to the City Council. The City Council at its discretion can choose to refer these naming proposals to the Ad Hoc Committee.
	3. The City Council shall have final approval of all naming recommendations.

Reference: City Council–approved policy dated August 2003

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