

**PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE MEMORANDUM
#12-2024**

DATE: May 13, 2024

TO: Honorable Mayor Meredith Leighty and City Council Members

THROUGH: Heather Geyer, City Manager *hmg*
Jason Loveland, Deputy City Manager *JL*

FROM: Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture *APP*

SUBJECT: CR-101 – Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery Naming Proposal

PURPOSE

To consider CR-101, a resolution to name the gallery wall adjacent to the Parsons Theatre after Lucille Ruibal Rivera.

BACKGROUND

A proposal to name the gallery wall for Lucille Ruibal Rivera was submitted by the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation (NAHF) in December 2023. The proposal was presented during a regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board on Dec. 14, 2023. Per the City’s policy for naming and renaming parks and recreation facilities, the Board heard the proposal and elicited community feedback during the 90-day waiting period. At the conclusion of that waiting period, the Board found Lucille Ruibal Rivera’s contributions to the community to be both “extensive and substantial.” A partial list of her contributions provided as support for the naming request included:

- Fostered collaboration between Northglenn Arts and the Chicano Humanities and Art Council (CHAC) to curate gallery collections for exhibition
- Founding member of the CHAC Gallery
- NAHF board member from 2019 to 2023
- Shared her passion for art and inclusivity

The 90-day waiting period was extended by a month, as the March Board meeting was canceled due to a snowstorm. During this four-month period, the Board received two written letters supporting the proposal. Additionally, True Apodaca-Cobell, Rivera’s son, provided verbal comments in support of the proposal at the April Board meeting.

Taking into consideration the original proposal, the public comments that were submitted and Rivera’s contributions to the City, the Board made a unanimous recommendation to name the gallery wall the “Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery” at its regular meeting on April 11, 2024.

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial or time impacts to the City directly associated with the naming of the gallery wall. If approved, signage would be developed and installed; this cost can be absorbed into the Parks, Recreation & Culture Department’s operating budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of CR-101.

STAFF REFERENCE

If Council Members have any questions, please contact Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture, at apeterson@northglenn.org or 303.450.8950.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution No. 23-78 – Parks and Recreation Facilities Naming Policy
2. Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Proposal
3. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Agendas, December 2023-April 2024
4. Letters of Support

CR-101 – Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery Naming Proposal

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR LEIGHTY

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. CR-80
Series of 2023

23-78
Series of 2023

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AMENDED POLICY FOR NAMING AND RENAMING PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the City Council previously established a policy for the naming and renaming of parks and park facilities in the City of Northglenn by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to make amendments to the policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The guidelines for naming and renaming parks and park facilities in the City of Northglenn shall be as follows:

1. Any interested organization, group of citizens, City Board or Commission, on their own initiative or in response to a City call for proposals, shall submit a written proposal for naming/renaming a park, garden dedication, memorial or park facility to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board shall be responsible for initial evaluation of the proposal and subsequently making a recommendation to City Council.

2. There shall be a ninety (90) day evaluation period from the date of written submission at a regularly scheduled Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting before the Board can make its recommendation to City Council. The proposal shall be included on the Board agenda for each regular meeting held throughout the ninety (90) day evaluation period. Public notice shall be made and there shall be an opportunity for public comment to be received regarding the proposal.

3. Alternatives to naming or renaming a park or recreation facility should be considered by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

4. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has the authority to recommend to City Council the naming or dedication of a garden, memorial, etc. within a park.

5. Only parks or facilities named for geographic location, outstanding feature or subdivision should be considered for renaming. Parks or facilities named after individuals shall never be changed unless it is found that because of the individual's character, the continued use of their name would not be in the best interest of the community. No park named for a geographic location, outstanding feature or subdivision should be renamed for a period of ten years.

6. Contribution, whether years of service, monetary donation or significant contribution to the community, should be extensive and substantial.

7. Consideration of agreements with school districts and neighboring entities shall be considered.

8. The Council shall pass a resolution to effect the requested naming, renaming or dedication in order to make the action official.

9. Notwithstanding the requirement for Council to pass a resolution to name, rename, or dedicate a park or recreation facility, City staff shall have the authority to name parks and recreation facilities for wayfinding purposes.

Section 2. Resolution No. 09-112, Series of 2009, is hereby repealed.

DATED at Northglenn, Colorado, this 22nd day of May, 2023.


MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

ATTEST:



JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



COREY Y. HOFFMANN
City Attorney

Northglenn Parks Board
C/O Amanda Peterson
11701 Community Center Drive
Northglenn, CO 80233

December 4, 2023

Dear Northglenn Parks Board,

The Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation (NAHF) respectfully submits a proposal for your consideration. We propose naming the gallery space adjacent to the Parsons Theatre the “**Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery**” after the late Lucille Ruibal Rivera. Lucille played a pivotal role in fostering collaboration between Northglenn Arts and the Chicano Humanities & Art Council (CHAC) to curate a gallery that has provided extraordinary experiences for the residents of Northglenn and visitors to the Parsons Theater.

Under Lucille's dedicated direction, the gallery showcased a diverse array of works, including those representing the LGBTQ community, Dia de los Muertos celebrations, street art, and the creations of the late Stevon Lucero. Her unwavering commitment to the arts has significantly enriched our city.

A lifelong advocate for Chicano arts and heritage, Lucille was a founding member of the CHAC gallery and an NAHF board member since 2019. As an accomplished artist and photographer, she shared her passion for art and inclusivity with everyone she encountered. We believe that naming the gallery space in her honor is a fitting tribute to her life of service and dedication to our community.

By doing so, we aim to celebrate Lucille's enduring contributions and ensure that her legacy continues to impact the arts in Northglenn. We sincerely appreciate your thoughtful consideration of this request.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Nevins
Board Member-Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation

NAHF Board of Directors

*Jill Parsons, President; Donna Cole, Vice-President; Kit Steffen, Treasurer; Laura Baukol, Secretary
Jami Bhatti, Joyce Downing, Rosie Garner, Steven George, Jennifer Nevins,
Lucille Rivera, Kirsten Tagestad, Andrew Vartabedian
Jay Jaramillo, City Council Liaison, Ex-Officio*

Arts & Humanities



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AGENDA
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Thursday, Dec 14, 2023 | 5:30 p.m.

Public access to the meeting will be available in-person or by telephone:

Call-in Numbers:

Telephone [\(720\) 961-5043](tel:7209615043)

Meeting ID: 148 262 6320

1. Roll Call
2. *Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings – Sept 14, 2023
3. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
4. Public Invited to be Heard – Limited (3 Minutes)
5. Unfinished Business
6. New Business
 - a) Naming Proposal – Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery
 - b) PRAB Interviews – Open Seat Ward 2 (pending application submission)
 - c) Manager’s Updates – Arts & Culture / Active Recreation
 - d) Review Vending Policy
 - e) Donation Redemption Report Overview – Justin Perdue
 - f) Playbook – Jay Renkens
 - g) 2024 Annual Work Plan
7. Special Report from Council Ex-Officio
8. Special Report from Director
9. Public Invited to be Heard – Limited (5 Minutes)
10. Setting Agenda for the Next Meeting
11. Adjournment

If you have a disability and need auxiliary aids or services to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact the City of Northglenn at 303-450-8877 at least 72 hours in advance of when services are needed.



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AGENDA
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Thursday, Jan 11, 2024 | 5:30 p.m.

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 - a) PRAB Interviews – Open Seat Ward 2
 1. Trevor Hosterman
 2. Sabrina Kershman
 - b) 2024 Events Update
 - c) Vendor application review (pending application submission)
 - d) Fee waiver summary report 2023
 - e) **Naming Proposal – Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery – Public to be heard**
7. Special Report from Council Ex-Officio
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AGENDA
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Thursday, Feb 8, 2024 | 5:30 p.m.

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Meeting ID: 148 262 6320

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Jan. 11, 2024
3. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
4. Public Invited to be Heard – Limited (3 Minutes)
5. Unfinished Business
6. New Business
 - a) Public Hearing – Recreation Programming
 - b) Naming Proposal – Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery
 - c) Vendor Application Review (pending applications)
 - d) Aquifer Storage Project Overview – Tami Moon
7. Special Report from Council Ex-Officio
8. Special Report from Director
9. Public Invited to be Heard – Limited (5 Minutes)
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AGENDA
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Thursday, March 14, 2024 | 5:30 p.m.

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Call-in Numbers:

Telephone [\(720\) 961-5043](tel:7209615043)

Meeting ID: 148 262 6320

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Feb. 8, 2024
3. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
4. Public Invited to be Heard – Limited (3 Minutes)
5. Unfinished Business
 - a) Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery Naming Proposal – Public Input
6. New Business
 - a) Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery Naming Proposal – Recommendation
 - b) Amplified Sound Permit Application: PBS Kids Fest – Gillian Pasley
 - c) Amplified Sound Permit Application: Heartland Acoustics Company Picnic - Jeff Barstard
 - d) Facility Use Waiver Application: Caerthe Outdoors Archery Practice at Scout Park – Joel Chapman
 - e) Amplified Sound Permit Application: TSC Awareness Walk – Aida Lucero
 - f) Park Vending Permit Application – Kona Ice – Davida Lemieux
7. Special Report from Council Ex-Officio
8. Special Report from Director
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 - f) Park Vending Permit Application – Kona Ice – Davida Lemieux
 - g) Amplified Sound Permit Application: New Destiny Christian Center – Keenan Roberts
 - h) Facility Use Waiver Application: Alzheimer’s Association – Bobbie D’Addario
 - i) 2023 Annual Report
7. Special Report from Council Ex-Officio
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Letter of support

I would like to express my support of naming the Parsons Theatre Gallery to honor Lucille Ruibal Rivera. I feel her contributions to Northglenn Arts, the larger arts community, and other organizations merits recognition. Though I did not know her well, she was willing to be in a video encouraging older adults to follow COVID protocols a few years ago; with her ties to our community and background in health care it was very meaningful. I think this is just one small example of the many things she did to improve our world. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Diana Wilson
Director of Communications
City of Northglenn

Letter of support for Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery



Desiree Westlund <desilou4@hotmail.com>
To Christie Chambers

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Dear Northglenn Parks and Recreation Advisory Board,

I am writing to support the proposal to name the gallery adjacent to the Parsons Theatre the Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery.

I was raised in Northglenn and am proud that currently four generations of my family live in Northglenn.

Ms Ruibal Rivera was instrumental in securing and protecting community space for community art, especially art from artists of color who have always lived and created art in our communities that was consistently invisibilized and excluded from formal art spaces. Naming the gallery after her symbolizes Northglenn's understanding of this history and honors its own commitment, as well as hers, to showcase and uplift community art from all members of our community. This commitment makes me proud to call Northglenn my home and supports me to raise my children to see and honor the history of the where they live while being a part of a present that strives to make all our friends and neighbors visible in our community through art.

Sincerely,

Desiree Westlund Cindric

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COUNCIL MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. CR-101
Series of 2024

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A RESOLUTION NAMING THE ART GALLERY ADJACENT TO THE PARSONS THEATRE AS THE LUCILLE RUIBAL RIVERA GALLERY

WHEREAS, the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation submitted a proposal to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to name the gallery space adjacent to the Parsons Theatre in honor of the late Lucille Ruibal Rivera and her unwavering commitment to the arts, which has significantly enriched the City of Northglenn;

WHEREAS, Lucille was an accomplished artist and photographer and a lifelong advocate for Chicano arts and heritage, serving as a founding member of the Chicano Humanities & Art Council (CHAC), a member of the Northglenn Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board, and a member of the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation;

WHEREAS, under Lucille's dedicated direction, the CHAC gallery showcased a diverse array of artwork, including those representing the LGBTQ+ community, Dia de los Muertos celebrations, street art, and the creations of the late Stevon Lucero, which provided extraordinary experiences for the residents of Northglenn and visitors to the Parsons Theatre;

WHEREAS, the naming of the gallery space in honor of Lucille Ruibal Rivera celebrates Lucille's enduring contributions to the arts community and ensures that her legacy continues to impact the arts in Northglenn; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board unanimously approved action on April 11, 2024 to recommend to City Council that the gallery wall be named the Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery, and City Council wishes to express their gratitude for Lucille's contributions to the City of Northglenn with the formal naming of the art gallery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The art gallery wall adjacent to the Parsons Theatre in the Northglenn Recreation Center at 1 E. Memorial Parkway shall hereafter be officially known as the:

LUCILLE RUIBAL RIVERA GALLERY

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this _____ day of _____, 2024.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, MMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COREY Y. HOFFMANN
City Attorney