

Denton Parks and Recreation  
Parks and Trails Naming Virtual Community Meeting  
June 1, 2022



## Background.

The current naming effort represents the second phase of a process that began in **Fall 2020**

On **October 20, 2020** City Council approved a set of updates to the Naming Policy Guidelines and Application Process

This process is mainly for new parks properties and trails.  
The naming policy specifically *discourages renaming* existing properties



## Background, cont'd.

**April 2021** City Council recommends Park Board review naming applications and provide recommendations

On **September 13, 2021** Parks Board recommends approval of the first set of new Parks and Trails names

**November 30, 2021** City Council approved resolutions establishing names for these park properties

Earlier this year Parks Staff began the process of determining additional properties that needed naming

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## Naming Resources

Naming  
Policy

<https://tinyurl.com/namingpol>

Naming  
Application

<https://tinyurl.com/nameappPDF>

Parks & Rec

<https://tinyurl.com/DentonParksSite>

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## Naming approval process

Group or individuals offer nominations to the City Manager

Public meeting to explain naming policy and process, and to receive resident input about specific nominations

Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Board reviews, considers, and recommends approval or denial of naming applications

Names are presented to the City Council and the Council either approves or denies the name change

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## Naming Policy Highlights (Res. 21-2706)

### General

- The policy discourages renaming parks, facilities, and other City properties that already have established names.

### Naming after an Individual

- Naming a park, facility, city property, or a portion of these after a person requires that:
  - The person must have been a resident of the City of Denton
  - The individual should be/have been a member of the community in good standing
  - The individual should be noted for making an exceptional positive contribution to society at the local, state, national, or global level.
- City Properties may also be named after
  - Individuals who died in the line of duty serving the City of Denton, the State of Texas, or the United States of America
  - Or, who died helping others in a particularly extraordinary act of bravery and courage
  - Or, after someone who made a lasting contribution to humanitarian causes.

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## Naming Policy Highlights, Cont'd.

### Naming after a Foundation or Organization

- Naming a park, facility, city property, or a portion of these after an organization requires that:
  - The organization has made a lasting, exceptional impact at the local, state, national, or international level.
  - In certain instances, a park, facility, or other city property or a portion of such a property may be named after a foundation or organization if that foundation or organization makes a unique and extraordinary contribution to the development of all or a portion of the City building, facility, land, or other City property.

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## Parks Internal Naming Criteria

The Parks Department has an informal policy of proposing names based on nearby geographic features such as street names, subdivisions, or creeks.

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## Internal Naming Requests - Park Land and Facilities

Audra Property to "Audra Oaks Park"

Country Club Terrace Property to "Country Club Terrace"

Laney Property to "Laney Lake Park"

Mayhill Property to "Mayhill Preserve"

New Tennis Center to "Denton Tennis Center"

Parkside Property to "Biddy Bye Park"

Prose Prominence Property to "Cooper Creek Park"

Sagebrook Property to "Sagebrook Park"

Villages of Carmel Property to "Villages of Carmel Park"

Vintage Village Property to "Tamarack Park"

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## Internal Naming Requests - Trails

Trail on Carroll Blvd. to "Carroll Trail"

Trail in Cross Timbers Park (North) to "Cross Timbers Park North Trail"

Trail in Cross Timber Park (South) to "Cross Timbers Park South Trail"

Trail in McKenna Park to "McKenna Park Trail"

Trail in Rayzor Ranch to "Rayzor Ranch Park Trail"

Trail on Unicorn Lake Blvd to "Unicorn Lake Trail"

Trail in Wheeler Ridge Park to "Wheeler Ridge Park Trail"

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### Country Club Terrace Property to "Country Club Terrace"



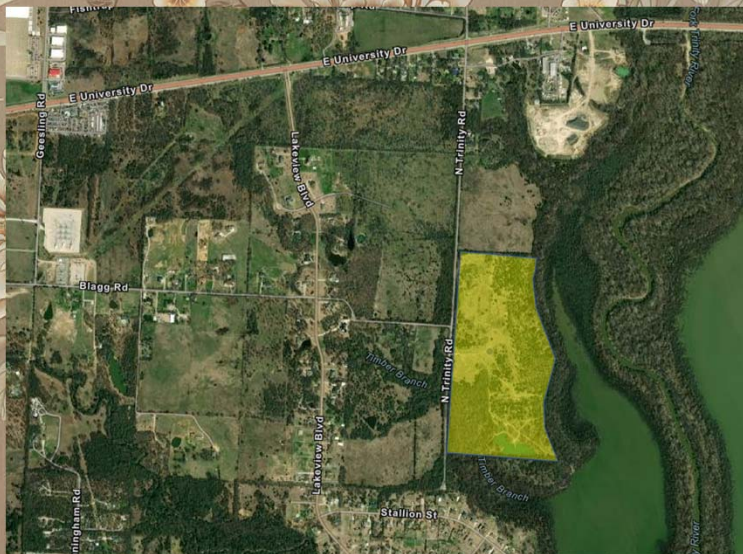
5551 Country Club Rd. Proposed naming after adjacent neighborhood.

34.1 acres

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### Laney Property to "Laney Lake Park"



Trinity Rd. At Blagg Rd. South of University Dr. Proposed naming for family that owned the land since the late 19th - century.

Street address TBD

79.004 acres

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### Mayhill Property to "Mayhill Preserve"



Spencer Rd. At S.  
Mayhill Rd.

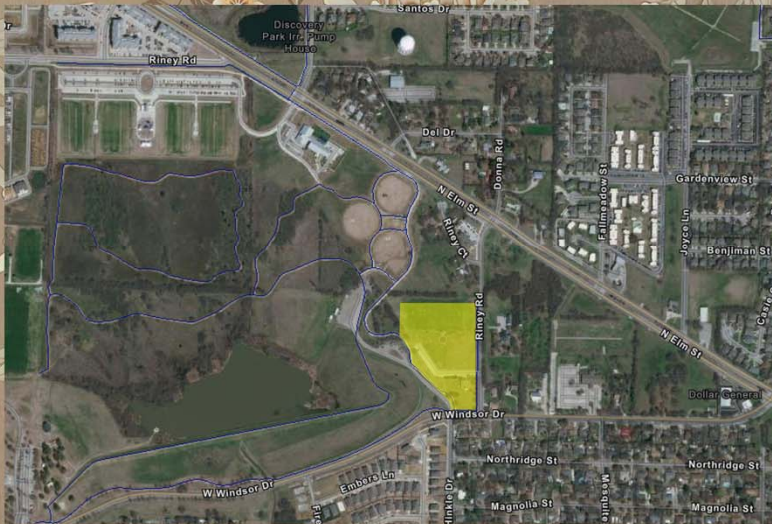
Street address TBD

4.55 acres

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### New Tennis Center to "Denton Tennis Center"



Located on Riney Road  
at W Windsor Drive  
(Former YMCA site)

1117 Riney Rd.

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### Parkside Property to "Biddy Bye Park"



Hickory Creek at  
Settler's Creek Rd. Proposed  
naming after adjacent street.

Street address TBD

17.98 acres

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### Sagebrook Property to "Sagebrook Park"



Located W. of US-377,  
E. of I-35W and S of  
Allred Rd.

Street Address TBD

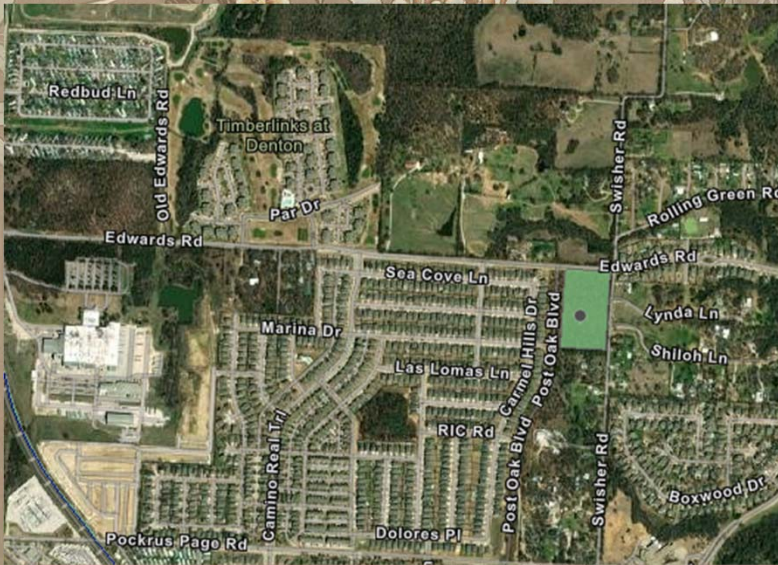
15.258 Acres

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## Internal Naming Requests - Park Land and Facilities

### Villages of Carmel Property to "Villages of Carmel Park"



Located at Vintage Blvd. and Fort Worth Drive. Proposed naming after nearby neighborhood.

6000 Edwards Rd, Denton, TX 76208

6.42 Acres

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### Vintage Village Property to "Tamarack Park"



Located at Vintage Blvd. and Fort Worth Drive. Proposed naming after nearby neighborhood street, Tamarack Lane.

Street address TBD.

25.414 Acres

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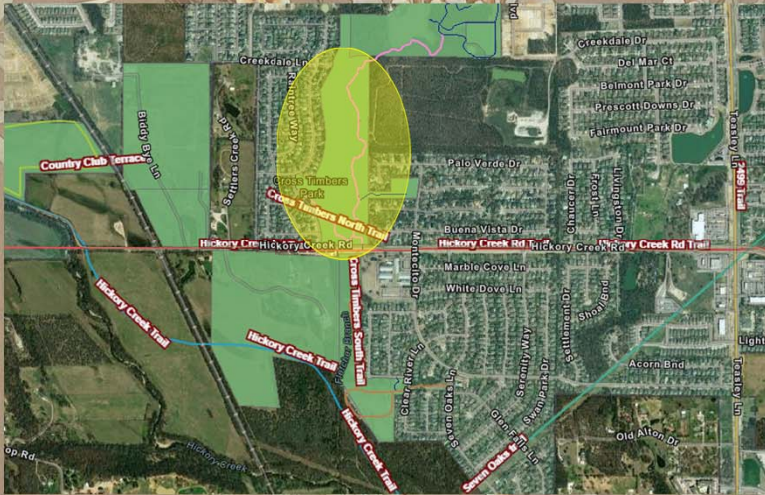






## Internal Naming Requests - Trails

Trail in Cross Timbers Park (North) to “Cross Timbers Park North Trail”



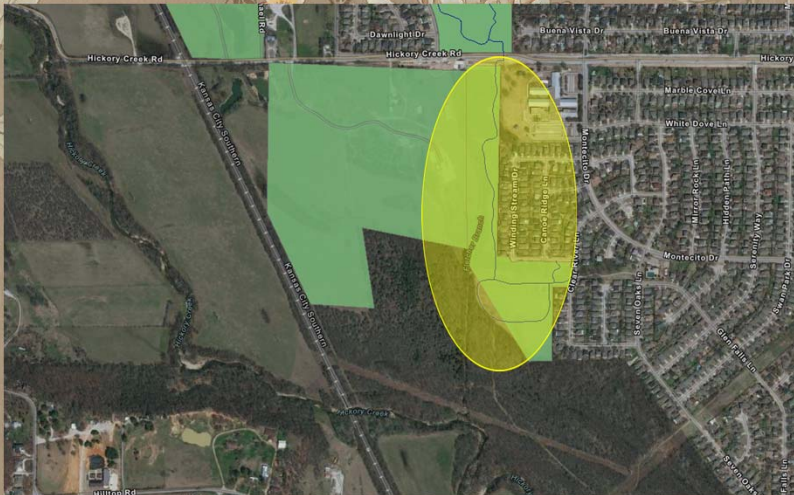
Located in the northern section of Cross Timbers Park

Distance: 2.37 miles

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## Internal Naming Requests - Trails

Trail in Cross Timber Park (South) to “Cross Timbers Park South Trail”



Located in the southern section of Cross Timbers Park, south of Hickory Creek Rd.

Distance: 0.95 mile

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## Internal Naming Requests - Trails

### Trail in McKenna Park to “McKenna Park Trail”



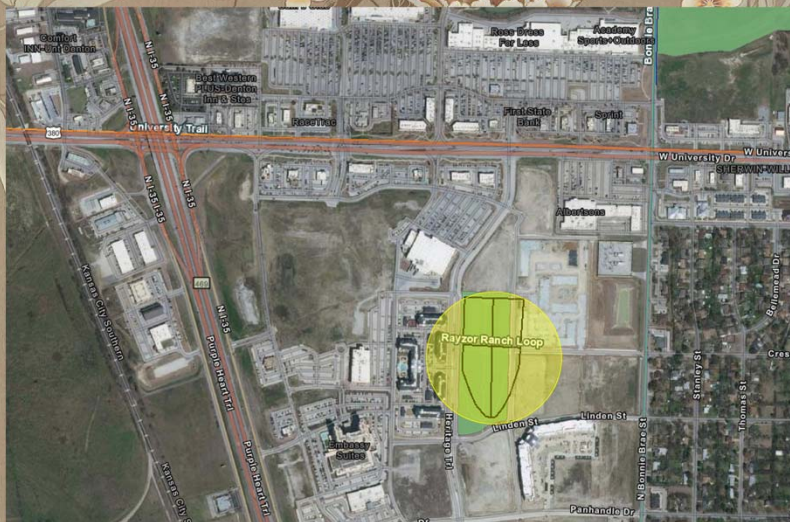
Trail loop located mostly within McKenna Park

Distance: 0.6 mile

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## Internal Naming Requests - Trails

### Trail in Rayzor Ranch to “Rayzor Ranch Trail”



Trail is located within Rayzor Ranch Park

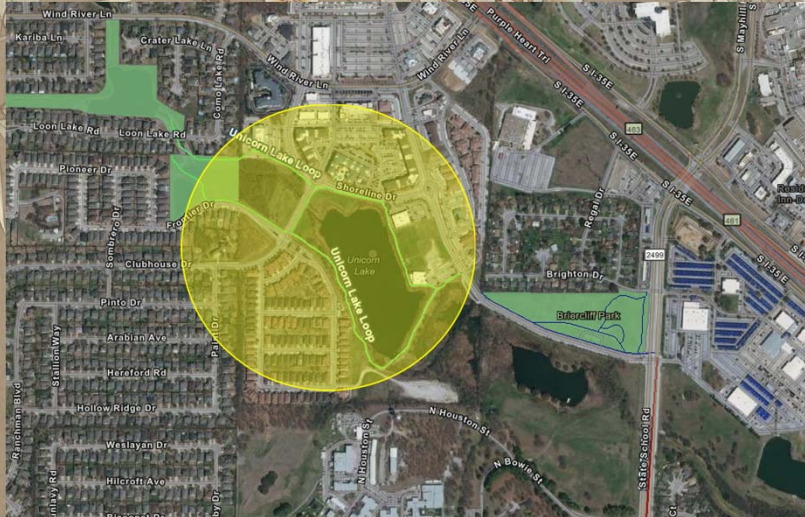
Distance: 0.8 mile

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## Internal Naming Requests - Trails

### Trail on Unicorn Lake Blvd to "Unicorn Lake Trail"



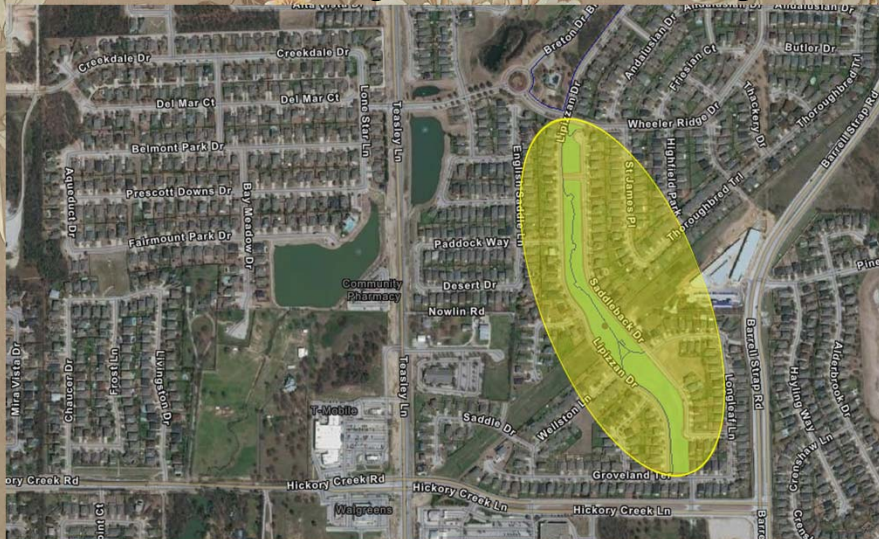
Trail is located within Briercliff park, and around the perimeter of Unicorn Lake.

Distance: 1.46 miles

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## Internal Naming Requests - Trails

### Trail in Wheeler Ridge Park to "Wheeler Ridge Park Trail"



Trail is located Wheeler Ridge Park.

Distance: 0.5 mile

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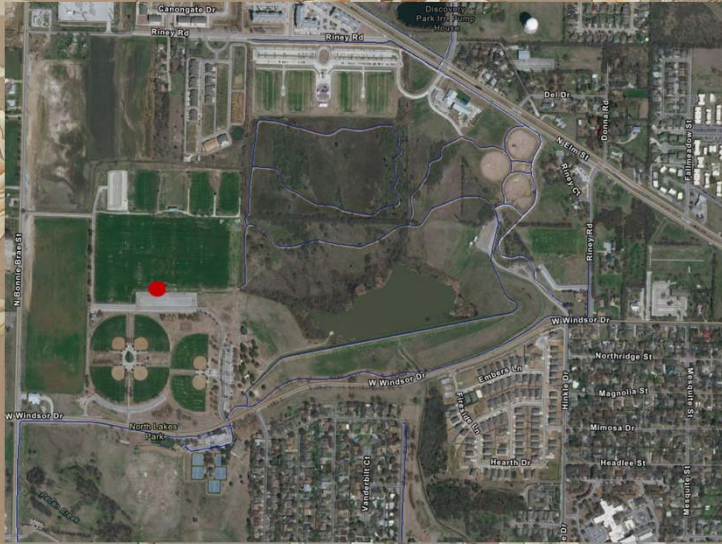






## External Naming Requests

### Building at North Lakes Park Soccer Fields to "Jean Malone Soccer Center"



3018 N Bonnie Brae St,  
Denton, TX 76207

The application supports naming this facility, which currently houses the Denton Soccer Association, after Jane Malone who served as President of Denton Soccer Association for over 25 years.

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### Baseball Field at Evers Park to "Detective Rodney MooneyHam Baseball Field"



At Evers Park  
3201 N Locust Street

The application supports naming this facility, after Det. Rodney MooneyHam, a Denton Police officer and youth baseball coach and umpire who passed away in 2021 after contracting COVID-19.

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