

# Street & Park Renaming Ad Hoc Committee

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**Tempe**

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# City Streets/Property Impacted

- West and East Laird Streets
- Hudson Lane
- Hudson Park
- Harelson Park
- Redden Park

# School Properties Impacted

- Laird School
- Hudson Elementary School
- Gililland Middle School



# Tempe Elementary School District Action

- Public online survey and community meetings regarding name change – Winter 2021/Spring 2022
- TESD Board voted to change names on May 4, 2022
- Public input on name ideas – May/June 2022
- TESD Board voted on new names for schools on June 22, 2022
- More info at <https://www.tempeschools.org/about-us/policy-ff-naming-facilities>

# New School Names

- Cecil Shamley School  
*(formerly Laird School)*
- Joseph P. Spracale Elementary School  
*(formerly Hudson Elementary School)*
- Geneva Epps Mosely Middle School  
*(formerly Gililand Middle School)*



# City Council Direction



- City Manager appoints Ad Hoc Renaming Committee of community members
  - Follow process set-forth in Resolution R2017.967
  - Additional Community representatives recommended for inclusion
  - Ad Hoc Committee's work should be open and transparent

# Members of the Ad Hoc Committee represent:



- Tempe Arts and Culture Commission\*
- Library Advisory Board\*
- Neighborhood Advisory Board\*
- Transportation Commission\*
- Parks, Recreation, Golf and Double Butte Cemetery Advisory Board\*
- Tempe Human Relations Commission\*
- Tempe Historic Preservation Commission\*
- Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission\*
- Indigenous communities
- Veterans Commission
- African American Advisory Committee
- Los Vecinos
- Tempe Tardeada
- Tempe Elementary School District
- Faith community
- At-large Members
- City Manager

Asterisked positions are required by City Resolution R2017.967

# City Council Direction, cont.



- **Ad Hoc Committee Charge:**
  - Recommend new names for impacted streets and parks to City Manager
- Ad Hoc Committee should provide information and take public recommendations via online portal
- Ad Hoc Committee should coordinate efforts with Tempe Elementary School District as applicable/appropriate



# City Council Direction, cont.



- Ad Hoc Committee should consider landmarks as potential new names
- Ad Hoc Committee should make recommendations for reimbursing residents and businesses for costs associated with street name changes
  - City Staff to assist with these efforts



# Next Steps

- Upcoming Ad Hoc Committee meetings  
October 18, Nov 1, Dec 7 (4-6 p.m.)
- City Manager to relay Ad Hoc Committee recommendations to the City Council in 2023
- City Council will approve names at future Regular Council Meeting
- City Council will also approve costs/reimbursement in FY2023-24 budget

# Questions/Discussion

[www.tempe.gov/renaming](http://www.tempe.gov/renaming)

