City Council – Action Request Form

Date:	November 13, 2019
To:	Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council
From:	Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager William L. Royston, Recreation and Parks Director

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Naming the Overlook at Hanes Park in Honor of William "Bill" Bloxham

Strategic Focus Area: Livable Neighborhoods
Strategic Objective: No
Strategic Plan Action Item: No
Key Work Item: No

Summary of Information:
The Recreation and Parks Commission, at its October 1, 2019 meeting, received a request from Council Member Jeff MacIntosh, Northwest Ward, to name the newly constructed pedestrian overlook at Hanes Park after Mr. William "Bill" Bloxham. This request was unanimously approved by the Recreation and Parks Commission at their October 1, 2019 meeting. Please see the attached letter.

Mr. William "Bill" Bloxham was a street person who was very shy, but well known in the community. Bill was known as a gentle and intelligent soul and spent most of his time near Hanes Park. A few years ago, Bill was viciously beaten, and subsequently died a few months later. Bill's one remaining family member as well as members of the community are in support of this recommendation to remember Bill in a permanent way.

As required by the City Council adopted policy on naming of City-owned buildings and facilities, the advisory body overseeing the facility, in this case the Recreation and Parks Commission supports a resolution recommending the pedestrian overlook at Hanes Park be named the William "Bill" Bloxham overlook.

Committee Action:

Committee	CDHGG 11/13/19	**Action**	Approval
For	Unanimous	**Against**	

Remarks: