



City of Santa Fe New Mexico

Memorandum



Date: October 30, 2020

To: Quality of Life Committee/Public Works Committee/Finance Committee/Governing Body

Via: 
Regina Wheeler (Nov 10, 2020 12:08 MST)

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Cc: John P Munoz, Recreation Division Director

From: Melissa McDonald, Interim Parks Division Director 
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RE: Memorial – A Resolution Renaming Alto Park to Ron Shirley Alto Park

ITEM AND ISSUE:

Resolution No. 2010-19 permits City-owned parks to be named after community members who meet certain criteria.

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY:

Ron Shirley served the City of Santa Fe in the Parks and Recreation Department for 28 years. He joined the department as a laborer, steadily worked up the ladder, and eventually became the department's director. Mr. Shirley was highly regarded by staff and residents for his conscientious devotion to the City and its parks and would never ask his employees to do something he hadn't done himself. Ron volunteered countless hours to the City in his work, taking care of parks and being involved in various sports leagues including coaching football and girls basketball at Santa Fe High School. Ron Shirley, who retired in 2007, passed away on December 27, 2018.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Public Works Department- Parks Division and the sponsors of this resolution are requesting the Governing Body change the name of Alto Park to Ron Shirley Alto Park, in recognition of the contributions made by Ron Shirley.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

Exhibit A – Article The New Mexican Jan 11, 2019 'Heaven is going to have Beautiful Park'; Ron Shirley accomplishments: May 15, 1948 – December 27, 2018

Exhibit B - Pronto Sign Picture of the Memorial RON SHIRLEY Alto Park Sign

Fiscal Impact Report