

RESOLUTION 2017-114  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
NAMING THE LOUNGE AT THE FORT COLLINS SENIOR CENTER  
AFTER FORMER MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER ANN AZARI

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2015, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 090, 2015, which repealed and enacted City Code Section 23-141 regarding the naming of City properties and facilities for persons or entities; and

WHEREAS, Ann Azari, who served as a City Council member (1989-1993), Fort Collins Mayor (1993-1999), and member of the City's Cultural Diversity Task Force, passed away in September 2009; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure with the City, Ann Azari provided significant service and direct benefits to the community by bringing together diverse interest groups and fostering a tradition of inclusivity that has enduring historical significance in the City's growth; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Center Expansion Project (the "Project") was a capital project approved by voters in 2005 under the Building on Basics Capital Program; and

WHEREAS, the Project focused on increasing fitness and wellness facilities, activities, and programs for the City's active adult population, including improvement to administrative, wellness, lobby, storage, and restroom areas of the Fort Collins Senior Center facility located at 1200 Raintree Drive in Fort Collins; and

WHEREAS, construction of the Project was complete in 2015; and

WHEREAS, following completion of the Project, the City Manager asked Recreation Department staff to provide recommendations for naming portions of the Project, including individual rooms and spaces; and

WHEREAS, in evaluating potential names for the Project, staff considered preferences by the Fort Collins Senior Center Expansion Committee to honor influential member of the community by naming portions of the Project after such individuals, including Ann Azari; and

WHEREAS, staff subsequently identified the lobby/lounge area of the Project as an appropriate space to name after Ann Azari (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Section 23-141 of the City Code states that names of person or entity to be applied to City-owned or -operated properties or facilities shall be adopted and amended by the City Council by resolution which includes a description of the donation or other significant service, benefit or significance to the community associated with the recommended person or entity that is the basis for the approved name designation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 23-141(g), staff has identified and obtained the consent of Ann Azari's next of kin to name the Property in honor of the former City mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager and staff have recommended to City Council naming the lobby/lounge area of the Project the "Ann Azari Lounge"; and

WHEREAS, upon consideration of the recommendations of the City Manager and after further review and consideration, City Council finds it to be in the best interest of the City to name the Senior Center lounge after Ann Azari.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.


Section 2. That the City Council hereby directs that the lounge portion of the Senior Center Expansion Project be designated the "Ann Azari Lounge."

Section 3. That the City may modify or remove the approved name in the future in the event the City Council determines such modification or removal to be appropriate in light of changed circumstances or other matters of public interest or convenience.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 19th day of December, A.D. 2017.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

