

## **MEMORANDUM**

Council Agenda Item No. IX.L. 8/2/2016

## The City of **OKLAHOMA CITY**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Resolution renaming Quail Creek Park "Berta Faye Rex Quail Creek Park," in honor of the late Berta Faye Rex, former Quail Creek neighborhood leader and civic volunteer, 11130 Quail Creek Road. Ward 8.

Location 11130 Quail Creek Road

Background On June 7, 2016, staff received a request from City Councilman Mark K.

Stonecipher to rename Quail Creek Park, located in Ward 8 at 11130 Quail Creek Road, "Berta Faye Rex Quail Creek Park." The renaming would be in honor of the late Berta Faye Rex. According to the request, Ms. Rex was a dedicated civic volunteer who, for many years, organized a patriotic 4th of July celebration that included a parade culminating in

Quail Creek Park.

The request also stated that Ms. Rex was active in various community organizations, including the United Way, Allied Arts, the Oklahoma City Orchestra League, and the Oklahoma Symphony Orchestra. Ms. Rex was also a founder of the Oklahoma City Philharmonic Society and was a leader in efforts to improve educational opportunities in Oklahoma City.

On July 20, 2016, the Oklahoma City Park Commission recommended

approval of the renaming.

Review Parks and Recreation Department

<u>Recommendation:</u> Resolution be adopted.