



## Legislation Text

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### **Consider approving Resolution No. 2019-040 renaming the “Farmers Branch Skate Park” to the “Phillip Shelby Hemstock Skate Park”; and take appropriate action**

#### BACKGROUND:

Phillip “Shelby” Hemstock passed away January 27, 2019 at the age of 27. Shelby grew up in Farmers Branch and participated in the City’s youth programs as a child.

He was an avid skateboarder and advocated for a Skate Park in Farmers Branch in his teens. During the planning stages of the Park, Shelby acted as the liaison between the Farmers Branch skating community and City staff.

After the completion of the Park, Shelby volunteered his time assisting City staff in coordinating various events and competitions at the Skate Park. Shelby became a contract instructor offering skateboarding lessons at the Park. In his twenties, Shelby started to travel and live abroad, but when he returned home to visit family and friends, he was often seen at the Skate Park.

At the February 19, 2019 City Council meeting, Shelby’s mother presented the City with a donation of \$1,350 for the purchase and installation of a City in a Park bench to be placed at the Skate Park in honor of Shelby.

#### DISCUSSION:

At their regularly scheduled March meeting, the Parks and Recreation Board recommended unanimously to change the name from “Farmers Branch Skate Park” to “Phillip Shelby Hemstock Skate Park”.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

City Administration recommends adopting Resolution No. 2019-040 renaming the “Farmers Branch Skate Park” to the “Phillip Shelby Hemstock Skate Park”.

#### POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION:

1. I move to approve Resolution No. 2019-040.
2. I move to approve Resolution No. 2019-040 with modifications.
3. I move to table this issue for further study or take no action.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution No. 2019-040, naming skate park.
2. Resolution No. 2015-080, naming/renaming policy