

Queens Community Board 11 looks to Queens Civic Congress as part of its process to review requests to rename streets and other public spaces after a person.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY BOARD 11 IS ASKED FROM TIME TO TIME BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND THE COMMUNITY TO RENAME AFTER A PERSON, A STREET, PARK OR PORTIONS THEREOF, SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES OR OTHER PUBLIC STRUCTURES, AND

WHEREAS, THE PERSON, GROUP OR NAME MAY NOT BE KNOWN TO THE MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY BOARD 11, AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY BOARD 11 HAS NO PROTOCOL TO ESTABLISH THE WORTHINESS OF SUCH NAME CHANGES, NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT ANY APPLICATION BEING REQUESTED FOR A NAME CHANGE OF ANY PUBLIC FACILITY SHOULD MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

1) PROVIDE THE COMMUNITY BOARD WITH A BIOGRAPHY OF THE INDIVIDUAL SHOWING THE WORTHINESS OF SUCH A NOMINATION. THE PERSON MUST BE DECEASED FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR. SUBMITTED INFORMATION SHOULD INCLUDE THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE INDIVIDUAL TO THE PUBLIC FACILITY, THE SERVICE HE/SHE HAS RENDERED TO THE COMMUNITY, THE CIVIC ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP IN LOCAL GROUPS, CHURCHES/SYNAGOGUES, BOARDS AND POSITIONS HELD AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION TO HELP THE COMMUNITY BOARD RECOMMEND THE NOMINATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

2) HAVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE LOCAL CIVIC ASSOCIATION. THERE BEING NONE IN THE AREA OF THE NAME CHANGE, THEN THE APPLICATION MUST HAVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE QUEENS CIVIC CONGRESS, THE UMBRELLA CIVIC ORGANIZATION FOR ALL CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS IN QUEENS COUNTY.

3) UPON RECEIVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION(S) AS STATED IN (2) ABOVE, A VOTE BY THREE QUARTERS (3/4) OF THE MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY BOARD 11 PRESENT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE NAMING OR RENAMING OF ANY PUBLIC FACILITY WILL BE REQUIRED.

4) ANY DESIGNATION SHOULD BE SUPPLEMENTARY TO THE EXISTING NAME AS RECOGNIZED BY THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

ie: THE JOHN SMITH "DOUGLASTON LIBRARY"

This resolution is policy that applies to all CB11 Committees for the naming or renaming of public facilities.

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