



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
**City Commission Agenda Memo**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**#21-0696**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** October 5, 2021

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving the Naming of a Portion of the Riverwalk Walking Trail, along the North Side of the New River, between SW 4th Ave and SW 2nd Ave, partially located in the H-1 Historic Preservation Zoning District of Fort Lauderdale, as the "Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk" - **(Commission District 2)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving the naming of a portion of the Walking Trail, along the North Side of the New River, between SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave and SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, located in the Historic District Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk Historic District.

**Background**

In May 2021, the Parks and Recreation Department was contacted by Edward D. Stone, Associates with a proposal to name a portion of the walking trail, along the North Side of the New River, between SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave and SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, located in the in the Historic District, Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk Historic District.

In compliance with the Guidelines for Naming Parks, Recreation Areas and Facilities (Exhibit 2), Parks and Recreation staff notified the surrounding homeowners associations of the suggested name (Exhibit 3). In addition, two public advisory notices were placed at the property to notice that the proposed naming would be on the August 17, 2021, City Commission Meeting for approval. The item was discussed at the June 23, 2021, Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board. After reviewing the item, a motion was made by Joann Smith, seconded by Deborah Rosenbaum, to accept the naming of a portion of the Historic District along the Fort Lauderdale Riverwalk Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk Historic District and was approved unanimously. A site map marking the location of the trail is attached as Exhibit 9.

On September 1, 2020, this item was presented to the Historic Preservation Board for review and approval. This item was approved unanimously 8 to 0 (Exhibit 8).

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2021 Top Commission Priority, advancing Parks and Public Places initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Building a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Here*.

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Naming Proposal

Exhibit 2 – Guidelines for Naming a Park

Exhibit 3 – Letter to HOA #1

Exhibit 4 – Letter to HOA #2

Exhibit 5 – Letter to HOA #3

Exhibit 6 – Letter to HOA #4

Exhibit 7 – Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board Minutes 06/23/2021

Exhibit 8 – Historic Preservation Board Draft Minutes 09/01/2021

Exhibit 9 – Site Plan

Exhibit 10 – Resolution

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