

City of Las Cruces®

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

Council Action and Executive Summary

Item # 7Ordinance/Resolution# 10-295Council District: ALL

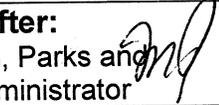
For Meeting of June 7, 2010
(Adoption Date)

TITLE:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF LA LLORONA PARK RIVER WALK AS THE FORMAL LOCATION FOR A MEMORIAL WALKWAY SPONSORED BY TRANSPLANT RECIPIENT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION INC. - SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO CHAPTER.

PURPOSE(S) OF ACTION:

To approve La Llorona Park river walk pathway as the location of a memorial walk honoring organ donors sponsored by Transplant Recipient International Organization Inc. - Southern New Mexico Chapter (Southern New Mexico Transplant Support Group).

Name of Drafter: Mark Johnston, Parks and Recreation Administrator		Department: Facilities / Parks & Recreation		Phone: 541-2550/2553	
Department	Signature	Phone	Department	Signature	Phone
Facilities		541-2651	Budget		2300
			Assistant City Manager		2271
Legal		541-2128	City Manager		2076

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

In 2009, representatives from the Southern New Mexico Transplant Support Group approached City staff with an idea of creating a memorial to honor organ donors. The concept for the memorial was envisioned to be located in a Las Cruces Park, with an area that citizens could rest and reflect, and be expandable as the need to recognize others grows.

The primary focus was on the La Llorona Park river walk pathway where an entrance monument, bench, and plaque could be mounted, and where several other monuments could be constructed along the pathway.

The representatives are not requesting City funds; they have embarked on a fundraising campaign and are requesting formal approval by City Council in order to qualify for grant funding opportunities.

SUPPORT INFORMATION:

Fund Name / Account Number	Amount of Expenditure	Budget Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A

1. Resolution

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

1. Vote "YES" and approve the Resolution designating La Llorona Park river walk pathway as the location for a memorial walk honoring organ donors sponsored by Transplant Recipient International Organization Inc. - Southern New Mexico Chapter (Southern New Mexico Transplant Support Group).
2. Vote "NO" and do not approve the Resolution. Denial of the Resolution will result in the City not supporting the Transplant Recipient International Organization Inc. - Southern New Mexico Chapter (Southern New Mexico Transplant Support Group) for a memorial walk honoring transplant donors.
3. Modify the Resolution and provide staff with further direction.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-295

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF LA LLORONA PARK RIVER WALK AS THE FORMAL LOCATION FOR A MEMORIAL WALKWAY SPONSORED BY TRANSPLANT RECIPIENT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION INC. - SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO CHAPTER.

The City Council is informed that:

WHEREAS, The Transplant Recipient International Organization Inc. – Southern New Mexico Chapter, approached City staff with an idea of creating a memorial to honor organ donors; and

WHEREAS, the concept for the memorial was envisioned to be located in a park with an area that citizens could rest and reflect, and be expandable as the need to recognize grows; and

WHEREAS, the primary focus is La Llorona Park river walk pathway where an entrance monument, bench, and plaque could be mounted with other monuments to be constructed along the pathway; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Southern New Mexico Transplant Support Group are not requesting City funds as they have embarked on a fundraising campaign and are seeking approval by City Council to qualify for grant funding opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Governing Body of the City of Las Cruces:

(I)

THAT the City of Las Cruces hereby approves the memorial to honor organ donors and the location requested at La Llorna Park.

(II)

THAT City staff is hereby authorized to do all deeds necessary in the accomplishment of the herein above.

DONE AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____ 2010.

(SEAL)

APPROVED

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Moved By: _____

Seconded by: _____

VOTE:

Mayor Miyagishima: _____

Councillor Silva: _____

Councillor Connor: _____

Councillor Pedroza: _____

Councillor Small: _____

Councillor Sorg: _____

Councillor Thomas: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Anten *Ray McLaughlin*
City Attorney