


Introduced by: Councilmember Scott 

Prepared by: Department of Legislative Reference

Date: March 7, 2018

Referred to: **JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS** Committee

Also referred for recommendation and report to municipal agencies listed on reverse.

CITY COUNCIL 18 - 0200

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning

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NO. _____

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Agencies

- _____ Baltimore City Public School System
- _____ Baltimore Development Corporation
- _____ City Solicitor
- _____ Comptroller's Office
- _____ Department of Audits
- _____ Department of Finance
- _____ Department of General Services
- _____ Department of Housing and Community Development
- _____ Department of Human Resources
- _____ Department of Planning
- _____ Other: _____
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- _____ Board of Estimates
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Boards and Commissions

- _____ Department of Public Works
- _____ Department of Real Estate
- _____ Department of Recreation and Parks
- _____ Department of Transportation
- _____ Fire Department
- _____ Health Department
- _____ Mayor's Office of Employment Development
- _____ Mayor's Office of Human Services
- _____ Mayor's Office of Information Technology
- _____ Office of the Mayor
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CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE **18-173**
Council Bill 18-0200

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Introduced and read first time: March 12, 2018
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

Committee Report: Favorable
Council action: Adopted
Read second time: June 25, 2018

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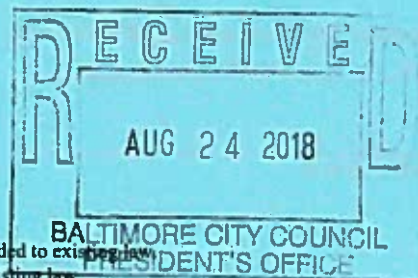
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President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,

this _____ day of JUL 09, 2018



Chief Clerk


Approved this 14 day of August, 2018



Mayor, Baltimore City

Approved For Form and Legal Sufficiency

This 13th Day of July, 2018



Chief Solicitor

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BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL
JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE
VOTING RECORD

BILL#: CC-18-0200 DATE: 6/13/18

BILL TITLE: City Property - Renaming Radecke Park to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park

MOTION BY: Scott SECONDED BY: Clarke

- FAVORABLE FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS
 UNFAVORABLE WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Costello, E., Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clarke, M., Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bullock, J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pinkett, L.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reisinger, E.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott, B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stokes, R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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CHAIRPERSON: C. V. [Signature]

COMMITTEE STAFF: Matthew L. Peters, Initials: MLO

CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

ANDRE M. DAVIS, City Solicitor
101 City Hall
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

June 7, 2018

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202


Re: City Council Bill 18-0200 – City Property – Renaming Radecke Park to
Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park

Dear President and City Council Members:

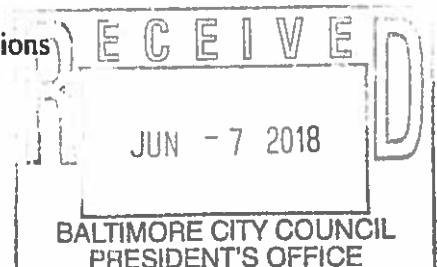
The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 18-0200 for form and legal sufficiency. The purpose of the bill is to change the name of Radecke Park, located at 5602 Radecke Avenue, to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park.

The Baltimore City Code (“BCC”) requires that property owned by the Mayor and City Council be named or renamed by ordinance. *See* BCC, Article 5, § 20-2(a). The bill must be referred for comment to the Planning Commission, the municipal agency that has or will have control of the City property, the Department of Real Estate, and any other agency that may have an interest in the naming the City property. BCC, Article 5, §20-2(b)(1). This bill was referred to the City Solicitor, the Planning Commission, the Department of Real Estate, and the Department of Recreation and Parks. Presumably, the Department of Recreation and Parks is the agency to control this property. Provided that is the case, or that the property will be controlled by one of the other agencies to whom the bill was referred for comment, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.


Sincerely,


Ashlea H. Brown
Assistant Solicitor

cc: Andre Davis, City Solicitor
Karen Stokes, Director, Mayor's Office of Government Relations
Kyron Banks, Mayor's Legislative Liaison
Elena DiPietro, Chief Solicitor, General Counsel Division
Hilary Ruley, Chief Solicitor
Victor K. Tervalo, Chief Solicitor



Fav w/ comments

FROM	NAME & TITLE	THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR	CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET		
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #18-0200/ CITY PROPERTY – RENAMING RADECKE PARK TO RALPH SEARS FIELDS AT RADECKE PARK		

TO

The Honorable President and
 Members of the City Council
 City Hall, Room 400
 100 North Holliday Street

DATE: May 10, 2018

At its regular meeting of May 10, 2018, the Planning Commission considered City Council Bill #18-0200, for changing the name of Radecke Park, located at 5601 Radecke Avenue to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park.

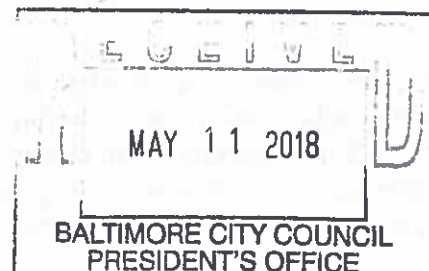
In its consideration of this Bill, the Planning Commission reviewed the attached staff report which recommended approval of City Council Bill #18-0200 and adopted the following resolution, eight members being present (eight in favor):

RESOLVED, That the Planning Commission concurs with the recommendation of its Departmental staff, and recommends that City Council Bill #18-0200 be passed by the City Council.

Attachment

TJS/WA

- cc: Mr. Pete Hammen, Chief Operating Officer
 Mr. Jim Smith, Chief of Strategic Alliances
 Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office
 Mr. Colin Tarbert, Mayor's Office
 Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office
 The Honorable Edward Reisinger, Council Rep. to Planning Commission
 Mr. William H. Cole IV, BDC
 Mr. Derek Baumgardner, BMZA
 Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration
 Ms. Sharon Daboin, DHCD
 Ms. Elena DiPietro, Law Dept.
 Mr. Francis Burnszynski, PABC
 Ms. Katelyn McCauley, DOT
 Ms. Natawna Austin, Council Services





Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
Mayor

PLANNING COMMISSION

Sean Davis, Chairman

STAFF REPORT



Thomas J. Stosur
Director

May 10, 2018

REQUEST: City Council Bill #18-0200/ City Property- Renaming Radecke Park to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park

For the purpose of changing the name of Radecke Park, located at 5602 Radecke Avenue, to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

STAFF: Ivor Quashie

PETITIONERS: Councilmembers Brandon M. Scott, Mary Pat Clarke

OWNERS: Mayor and City Council

SITE/GENERAL AREA

Site Conditions: Radecke Park is a 10 acre public park in northeastern Baltimore. The park located in the Frankford neighborhood, west of Moore's Run Park.

General Area: This Park is in a predominantly residential area. It is surrounded by single family homes with the Garden View Apartments to the southeast and the Gardenvillage Apartments to the south.

HISTORY

There are no previous Planning Commission actions regarding this site.

ANALYSIS

Mr. Ralph Sears was a dedicated, hardworking true volunteer servant to the Radecke Ave Playfield for nearly thirty years. Despite not getting paid or otherwise compensated for the work he did on the field, he was always willing to spend endless hours to ensure that the field, the field house, and bathrooms were kept clean and maintained for the kids and teens using the field for sports activities.

When there was soccer, baseball and football team practice and game days or even meetings, Mr. Sears would show up early mornings or sometimes during the day to pick up trash, empty trash cans, fill field pot holes with dirt from the nearby creek banks, mark and set up the fields for games and even cut some of the grass on both the Radecke Avenue fields and the surrounding areas. He would always ensure that the concession stand had enough supplies.

Most people thought he was a Baltimore City employee because he spent so much time working on and around the fields. Others, thought he had family members associated with the teams until they got to know him and discovered he had no affiliation with the city or the teams that used the park.

Mr. Sears consistently worked to ensure the field and the facilities were ready for the kids, coaches, families and visitors. He was always willing to lend a hand when asked. The people that knew him always said good things about him and what he did to support the activities in the park. For these reasons, staff recommends approval of City Council Bill #18-0200.

Notification: Planning staff notified the Cedonia Community Association, Frankford Improvement Association, Councilmembers Brandon Scott and Mary Pat Clarke of this matter.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas J. Stosur". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "T" and "S".

Thomas J. Stosur
Director

CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

REGINALD MOORE, Director
DR. RALPH W. E. JONES, JR. BUILDING
3001 East Drive - Druid Hill Park
Baltimore, Maryland 21217
410-396-7900

March 15, 2018

Honorable President Bernard Young
Members of the City Council
Baltimore City Council
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

RE: **Council Bill #18-0200**
Renaming of Radecke Park

Dear President Young:

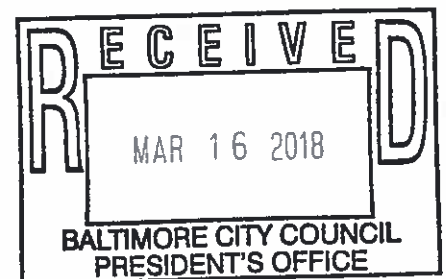
Baltimore City Recreation and Parks strongly supports Council Bill #18-0200 proposing to rename Radecke Park to **Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park**. Mr. Sears's lifelong dedication to the park, and in particular, the neighborhood children, are outstanding examples of how the heart of a community can sometimes be traced back to just one man.


We applaud the Frankford Community Coalition for their efforts to honor Mr. Sears and his years of service to their community. Therefore, the Department of Recreation and Parks is in favor of Council Bill #180200.

Sincerely,

Reginald Moore
Director
Baltimore City Recreation & Parks

favorable



FROM	Name & Title	Walter Nelson Real Estate Officer	CITY OF BALTIMORE MEMO	
	Agency Name & Address	Department of Real Estate Room 304 – City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street		
	Subject	City Council Bill –18-0200 Renaming Radecke Park to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park		

TO: Honorable President and Members
of the City Council
c/o Natawna B. Austin
Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council
400 City Hall

DATE: March 15, 2018

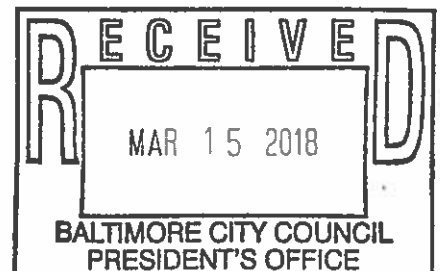
The above mentioned bill was referred to the Department of Real Estate for review. As is the case of all naming and renaming, I defer to the wisdom of that district's delegation and generally to the City Council.

The Department of Real Estate has not objections to it passage.

WJH/law

cc. Kyron Banks

No Objection



City of Baltimore

City Council
City Hall, Room 408
100 North Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland
21202

Meeting Minutes - Final

Judiciary and Legislative Investigations

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

4:45 PM

Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall

18-0200

Rescheduled from 5-16-18

CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 6 - Member Eric T. Costello, Member Mary Pat Clarke, Member Leon F. Pinkett III, Member John T. Bullock, Member Brandon M. Scott, and Member Robert Stokes Sr.

Absent 1 - Member Edward Reisinger

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

18-0200

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Sponsors: Brandon M. Scott, Mary Pat Clarke

A motion was made by Member Scott, seconded by Member Clarke, that this Ordinance be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Member Costello, Member Clarke, Member Pinkett III, Member Bullock, Member Scott, and Member Stokes Sr.

Absent: 1 - Member Reisinger

ADJOURNMENT

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

CITY OF BALTIMORE

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OFFICE OF COUNCIL SERVICES

LARRY E. GREENE, Director
415 City Hall, 100 N. Holliday Street
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email: larry.greene@baltimorecity.gov

HEARING NOTES

Bill: 18-0200

City Property - Renaming Radecke Park to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park

Committee: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations

Chaired By: Councilmember Eric Costello

Hearing Date: June 13, 2018
Time: 4:45 PM to 4:50 PM
Location: Clarence "Du" Burns Chamber
Total Attendance: ~30

Committee Members in Attendance:
Eric Costello Mary Pat Clarke Brandon Scott
Leon Pinkett Robert Stokes John Bullock

Bill Synopsis in the file? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Attendance sheet in the file? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Agency reports read? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded? [] yes [X] no [] n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Moted by: Councilmember Scott
Seconded by: Councilmember Clarke
Final Vote: Favorable

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Ivor Quashie, Department of Planning

Major Issues Discussed

1. Chairman Costello opened the proceedings and introduced the committee members in attendance.
2. Councilman Scott explained the bill and its intent to honor Mr. Sears for his commitment to the park and community.
3. Councilman Costello reviewed the reports and recommendations from the agencies to which the bill was referred.

Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe. N/A

Committee Vote

E. Costello: Yea
M. Clarke: Yea
J. Bullock: Yea
L. Pinkett: Yea
E. Reisinger: Absent
B. Scott: Yea
R. Stokes: Yea

Matthew Peters

Matthew L. Peters, Committee Staff

Date: June 13, 2018

cc: Bill File
OCS Chrono File



CITY OF BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL HEARING ATTENDANCE RECORD

Committee: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations

Chairperson: Er

Date: June 13, 2018

Time: 4:45 PM

Place: Clarence "Du" Burns Chambers

Subject: Ordinance - City Property - Renaming Radecke Park to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park

PLEASE PRINT

IF YOU WANT TO TESTIFY PLEASE CHECK HERE

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Ivor	Quastie		Rawlings		Ivor.Quastie@Baltimore
Kristyja	Gleiderdorf		Apt		

(*) NOTE: IF YOU ARE COMPENSATED OR INCUR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS BILL, YOU MAY BE REQUIRED BY LAW TO REGI BOARD. REGISTRATION IS A SIMPLE PROCESS. FOR INFORMATION AND FORMS, CALL OR WRITE: BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF ETHICS LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE, 626 CITY HALL, BALTIMORE, MD 21202. TEL: 410-396-4730. FAX: 410-396-8483.

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BILL SYNOPSIS

Committee: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations

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AGENCY REPORTS

Planning Commission

Department of Real Estate

Department of Recreation and Parks

City Solicitor

Favorable

No Objections

Favorable

ANALYSIS

Current Law

Baltimore City Code Article 5, Section 20-2(a) authorizes the renaming of city-owned property by ordinance of the Mayor and City Council.

Background

The bill renames Radecke Park (shown below), located at 5602 Radecke Avenue, to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park. The park occupies ten acres in the Frankford neighborhood of northeast Baltimore. For nearly 30 years, Mr. Sears dedicated much of his time to maintaining the fields and other facilities in Radecke Park as a volunteer. Mr. Sears passed away in 2014. The Planning Commission and the Department of Parks and Recreation submitted favorable reports on this bill, and noted Mr. Sears' lifelong dedication to the park and the neighborhood children.





ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Fiscal Note: None

Information Source(s): Baltimore City Code, Planning Commission, Department of Recreation and Parks, Department of Real Estate, Google Maps, Legacy.com, Bill 18-0200.

Matthew Peters

Analysis by: Matthew L. Peters
Analysis Date: June 7, 2018

Direct Inquiries to: (410) 396-1268

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COUNCIL BILL 18-0200
(First Reader)**

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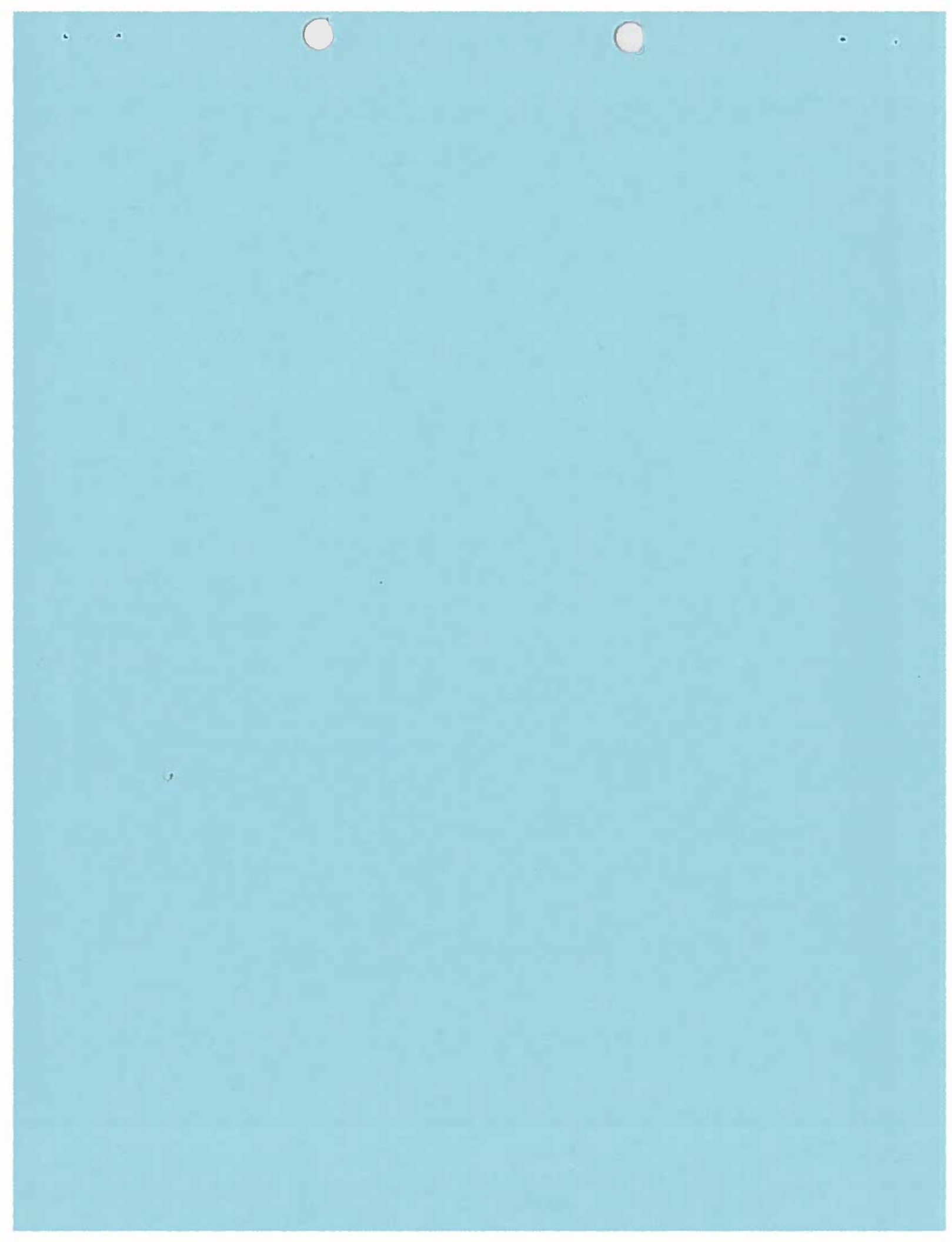
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ACTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL

MAR 12 2018

FIRST READING (INTRODUCTION) _____ 20 _____

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON June 13, 2018 _____ 20 _____

COMMITTEE REPORT AS OF June 25, 2018 _____ 20 _____

FAVORABLE _____ UNFAVORABLE _____ FAVORABLE AS AMENDED _____ WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION _____

[Signature]
Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

SECOND READING: The Council's action being favorable (unfavorable), this City Council bill was (was not) ordered printed for Third Reading on:

JUN 25 2018

_____ Amendments were read and adopted (defeated) as indicated on the copy attached to this blue backing.

THIRD READING _____ JUL 09 2018

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THIRD READING (ENROLLED) _____ 20 _____

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THIRD READING (RE-ENROLLED) _____ 20 _____

WITHDRAWAL _____ 20 _____

There being no objections to the request for withdrawal, it was so ordered that this City Council Ordinance be withdrawn from the files of the City Council.

[Signature]

President

[Signature]

Chief Clerk