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SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

ORDINANCE

**APPROVING THE RENAMING OF THE WESTSIDE CREEKS
ECOSYSTEM TO THE “ROBERTO RODRIGUEZ WESTSIDE
CREEKS ECOSYSTEM.” IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY CODE
ARTICLE XVI, CHAPTER 6**

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WHEREAS, the ecosystem of creeks located just west of Downtown and comprised of the San Pedro, Apache, Alazán, and Martínez creeks, is presently known as the “Westside Creeks Ecosystem;” and

WHEREAS, Roberto Rodriguez has been a proponent of the Westside Creeks Ecosystem Restoration Project since joining the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 6, Article XVI of the City Code prescribes the procedures for renaming City facilities, and the proposed renaming fits the criteria for the proposed name; and

WHEREAS, the Westside Creeks Restoration Oversight Committee, led by District 5 Council Member Teri Castillo, initially suggested renaming the ecosystem to the City Clerk on March 21, 2024; and

WHEREAS, a committee was established, consisting of District 5 Council Member Teri Castillo, Public Works Director Razi Hosseini, and former District 5 Council Member Lourdes Galvan, to hold a public hearing on this proposed naming, which was held on September 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, public notice was provided pursuant to City Code, which garnered 35 responses in favor of the proposed naming via letter, phone call, email, website, and social media, including a letter of support from Bexar County Precinct 2 Commissioner Justin Rodriguez, expressing his appreciation for the years of work by Mr. Rodriguez to restore the San Pedro, Apache, Alazán or Martínez creeks, and 4 written responses in opposition, and;

WHEREAS, at the public hearing, 25 residents attended, and 11 residents spoke in favor of the renaming, after which the renaming committee then voted 3-0 in favor of recommending the proposed name for full Council consideration; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the naming of the Westside Creeks Ecosystem to the “Roberto Rodriguez Westside Creeks Ecosystem,” consistent with the City’s Naming of City Facilities and Streets ordinance; the ecosystem of creeks is proposed to be renamed and the individual creeks will retain their names; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

DAH
12/5/2024
Item No.

SECTION 1. The Westside Creeks Ecosystem is hereby renamed the “Roberto Rodriguez Westside Creeks Ecosystem”. All place name change requirements of Article XVI, Chapter 6 of the City Code have been met. City Staff is directed to provide appropriate signage to this effect.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of December 2024.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney

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