



AMENDED

STANDING NAMING COMMITTEE MEETING April 22, 2024

4:00 – 5:30 PM
Council Chambers
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, California

Councilmember James Kyriaco
Councilmember Stuart Kasdin
John Birchim, City Resident
Jeff Campbell, City Resident
Robert Nisbet, City Manager
Ryan Kintz, Assistant to the City Manager
George Thomson, Parks and Open Space
Manager Shannon Kirn, Management Analyst

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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AGENDA

- I. Public Comment (5 Minutes)
- II. Consider the Naming of Potter's Point at Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve Open Space (60 Minutes)

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 22, 2024
TO: Naming Standing Committee
FROM: Robert Nisbet, City Manager
CONTACT: Shannon Kirn, Management Analyst
SUBJECT: April 22, 2024, Naming Standing Committee Meeting

ITEM I. Public Comment

ITEM II. Consider the Naming of Potter's Point at Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve Open Space (60 Minutes)

BACKGROUND

Naming Policy

On November 16, 2010, the City Council adopted Resolution 10-45 adopting a City of Goleta Parks and Facilities Naming Policy.

The Naming Policy (Policy) provides guidelines and procedures for the City Council and City staff concerning requests to name City parks, park amenities, park facilities and City buildings. As stated in Section II of the Policy, the Naming Committee considers and evaluates requests and makes appropriate recommendations to the City Council for the naming or re-naming of City parks, park facilities, open spaces, and City buildings. The full Resolution and Policy can be found in Attachment 1.

The Standing Naming Committee is authorized by Goleta Resolution No. 10-43. This Committee consists of two members of the City Council and two City residents to be appointed annually by the Mayor and ratified by the City Council. The Standing Naming Committee serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council and is supported by the Public Works Department.

On March 19, 2024, the City Council ratified the mayoral appointments of Jeff Campbell and John Birchim to the Standing Naming Committee.

Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve

The 230-acre Ellwood Mesa Sperling Preserve is part of a multi-agency 650-acre open space that includes areas around UCSB's satellite campuses, the Coal Oil Point Reserve, Monarch Butterfly Grove, and the Sperling Preserve. Named after Ellwood Cooper (1829-1918), who owned the large Ellwood Ranch in what is now Goleta and the adjacent hills, and philanthropist Peter Sperling, who made a significant contribution of \$5 million towards the preservation of Ellwood Mesa, this preserve is a testament to the community's commitment to preserving natural habitats and recreational opportunities.

With 10 miles of trails connecting the open space with Goleta and Isla Vista, Ellwood Mesa attracts visitors from across the region. Popular activities include hiking, running, biking, surfing, horseback riding, and wildlife and birding. The Monarch Butterfly Grove, located on the north side of Ellwood Mesa, is a particularly cherished destination, providing a home for Monarch butterflies during the winter months.

The Mesa's protected status from future development is the result of significant community efforts dating back more than two decades. In the early 1990s, a proposal for residential development on Ellwood Mesa threatened to encroach upon environmentally sensitive habitats and restrict public access to the area. Efforts led by the Environmental Defense Center (EDC) and Save Ellwood Shores aimed to preserve the Mesa's natural beauty and ecological integrity. Despite initial challenges and legal battles, a collaborative approach involving community stakeholders, developers, and government entities led to the creation of the Ellwood Devereux Coast Open Space, preserving 652 acres of contiguous open space and natural areas.

DISCUSSION

Naming Request

On March 6, 2024, Santa Barbara County Supervisor Laura Capps submitted an application to the City of Goleta to name a specific location at Ellwood Mesa "Potter's Point" after the late local artist, Christopher Potter. See Attachment 2 for the completed Parks and Facilities Naming Policy Completed Request Form. Supervisor Capps also established an online petition which has received over 1,400 signatures from members of the greater community. The petition can be view [here](#) or in Attachment 2.

As stated in the Policy, the City will name parks in a manner that will provide an easily recognizable reference to the City, be compatible with the area in which they are in, meet the needs of the community, and serve a public purpose (Section IV. Policy pg 2-3). The naming of Potter's Point falls within the open space definition of a park according to the policy which includes "developed and undeveloped park areas and designated open space areas". Two of the naming options recommended in the policy are for "individuals or organizations who have made significant service contributions to the community" and "geographical or natural features which heighten a sense of area identity" (Section IV. Policy pg 2-3). This request could potentially fall under one or both of these recommendation options. Chris Potter became a well-known figure in Santa Barbara, recognized for his daily paintings and generosity in supporting various causes. Potter's art has served as a significant community contribution as he has memorialized the beauty and natural landform of Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve. His legacy lives on through his art, which adorns public and private spaces throughout Santa Barbara and beyond.

As stated in the Policy, the City will obtain approval from family members of deceased individuals recommended for a naming in their honor. The family member(s) of Chris Potter signed the petition approving of their support for the naming request.

As stated in Chris Potter’s obituary, Chris was born and raised in the Goleta community and was a renowned landscape artist beloved by the Santa Barbara community. See Attachment 3 for Chris Potter’s obituary from the Santa Barbara Independent.

Staff is recommending the Naming Committee consider the application and recommend to City Council the following:

- Name a general location at Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve, “Potter’s Point”. See the map in Figure 1 below depicting the proposed general location of “Potter’s Point” and Figure 2 showing one of Christopher Potter’s landscape paintings from this location.

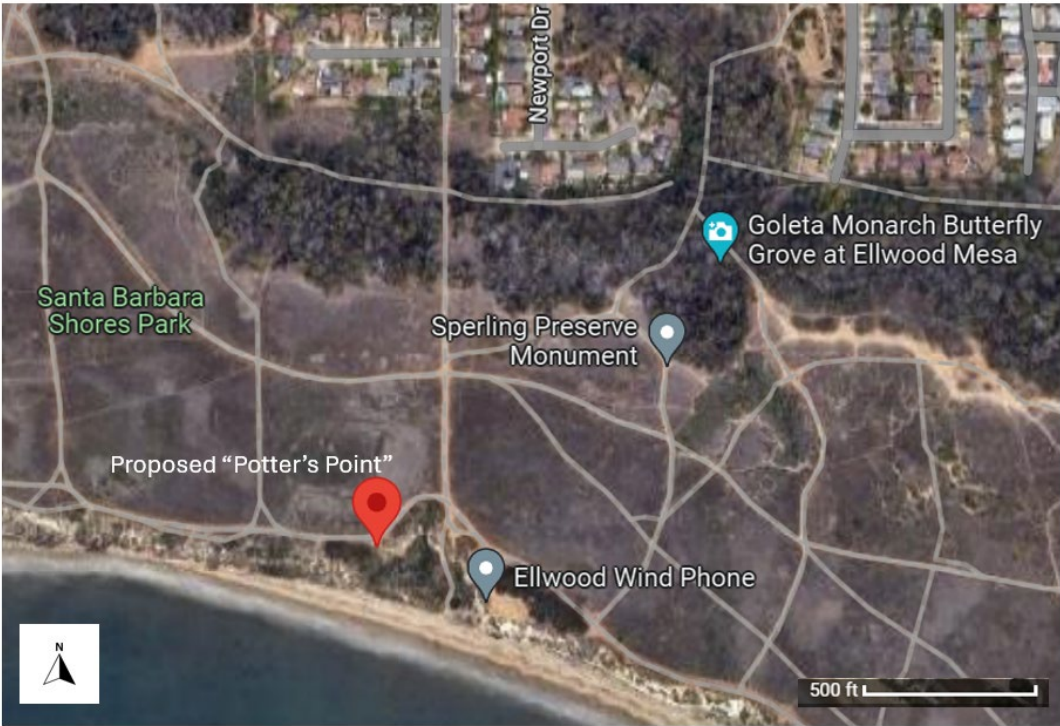


Figure 1 Location of Proposed Potter’s Point



Figure 2 Chris Potter painting from proposed "Potter's Point"

Commemorative Bench Request

Additionally, Supervisor Capps submitted an application to install a commemorative bench at the proposed "Potter's Point" to further honor Christopher Potter's legacy. While according to the Policy, City staff have the final authority to approve the placement of dedications, commemorative objects, plaques or markers, which includes benches, there are several other factors to be taken into consideration due to the location and proximity to the coast of this request. The General Plan and Open Space Plan generally support the potential placement for benches. However, due to the requested location of this placement at Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve and there currently has not been a bench placed at this location, there will be multiple levels of review required. If the request moves forward, there will be a review process through the City's development process as well as the Coastal Commission's development process. Other considerations are to be taken into account regarding the original intended use of the Ellwood Mesa Sperling Preserve as well as the Open Space Element. There will also be additional costs associated with this request that the applicant would be taking on due to the Coastal Commission coastal development permit application process. Staff plan to review this request and coordinate with the applicant appropriately. The Committee could also weigh in on this request.

Attachments

1. Resolution 10-45 adopting a City of Goleta Parks and Facilities Naming Policy
2. Parks and Facilities Naming Policy Completed Request Form – Potter's Point
3. Chris Potter's obituary from the Santa Barbara Independent

Attachment 1

Resolution 10-45 adopting a City of Goleta Parks and Facilities Naming Policy

RESOLUTION NO. 10- 54

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING A CITY OF GOLETA PARKS AND FACILITIES NAMING POLICY

WHEREAS, the Goleta City Council wishes to establish a Naming Policy for the purpose of providing guidelines and procedures for the naming of City parks, park amenities, park facilities and City buildings, as well as the placement of dedications, commemorative objects, plaques or markers in parks, open spaces or the public right-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The City Council hereby establishes the Naming Policy by adopting the principles and guidelines attached in Exhibit "A".

SECTION 2.

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of November, 2010.




ERIC ONNEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
CITY CLERK



TIM W. GILES
CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA) ss.
CITY OF GOLETA)

I, DEBORAH CONSTANTINO, City Clerk of the City of Goleta, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 10-54 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Goleta at a regular meeting held on the 16th day of November, 2010 by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: MAYOR ONNEN, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE
CONNELL, COUNCILMEMBERS ACEVES,
BENNETT AND EASTON.

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(SEAL)


DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
CITY CLERK



CITY OF GOLETA

PARKS AND FACILITIES NAMING POLICY

Section I. Purpose and Application

- A. Purpose: To provide guidelines and procedures for the naming of City parks, park amenities, park facilities and City buildings, as well as the placement of dedications, commemorative objects, plaques or markers in parks, open spaces, parkways or other portions of the public right-of-way.
- B. Application: This policy has been created to guide the City Council and City staff in taking action concerning requests to name City parks, park amenities, park facilities and City buildings, as well as requests for the placement of plaques, markers, dedications and commemorative objects in parks, open spaces or in the public right-of-way.
- C. Nothing in this policy is intended to create, foster or allow parks, open spaces, parkways or other portions of the public right-of-way to become a public forum for private content speech. By requiring all naming actions and placement of plaques, markers, dedications and commemorative objects to conform to this policy, it is the intent of the City Council to exercise full jurisdiction over speech in such forum and to determine that it is consistent with and meets the needs of the community and services a public purpose.
- D. This process does not apply to the naming of streets which will continue to be processed through the Planning and Environmental Services Department in coordination with the Santa Barbara County Fire Department. Furthermore, this policy does not apply to development projects on private property which are named by the project applicant.

Section II. Authority

- A. The policies contained herein are adopted by resolution of the Goleta City Council ("Council"), and as such may be changed or amended only by Council action.
- B. The City Council shall have the final authority to approve names of parks, park facilities, park amenities and City buildings. City staff in the Community Services Department shall have the final authority to approve the placement of dedications, commemorative objects, plaques or markers.

- C. The City Council's Naming Committee ("Committee") is hereby tasked with reviewing requests for the naming of parks, park facilities, park amenities and City buildings to ensure compliance with the terms of this policy, and making naming recommendations to the Council for approval.

Section III. Definitions

As used in this policy, the following words shall have the meaning supplied in this section:

- A. Parks: Real Property owned and managed by the City, used for public recreation purposes, and including developed and undeveloped park areas and designated open space areas.
- B. City Buildings: Buildings under the control of the City used to conduct City business. Buildings may include, but are not limited to, City Hall, the Corporation Yard and the Goleta Library.
- C. Recreation Facilities and Amenities: City Owned facilities/amenities that may be located within a park or part of a facility. These include, but are not limited to, athletic fields, meeting rooms, picnic shelters, ball diamonds, tennis and basketball courts and playground equipment.

Section IV. Policy

The following criteria shall be used in the naming or renaming of parks, City buildings and recreation facilities and amenities.

- A. General
1. The City Council will evaluate the merit of each suggested naming opportunity according to criteria outlined in this policy. Existing or current names of sites within the City need not be changed.
 2. The policy of the City is to name parks, City buildings and recreational facilities and amenities in a manner that will provide an easy and recognizable reference to the City and be compatible with the area in which they are located. Therefore, it is recommended that naming options be taken from the following:
 - a. Geographical or natural features which heighten a sense of area identity.
 - b. Significant historical references or local historical figures.
 - c. Endemic cultural or wildlife features.
 - d. Major facility donors, whether individuals or organizations.

e. Individuals or organizations who have made significant service contributions to the community.

3. The creation of new names where old names have common community usage is discouraged
4. The City Council finds public involvement essential in considering naming of public lands and facilities. It is the intent of this policy that opportunity for citizen input at a City Council meeting is provided prior to approval of recommendations for City Council consideration.
5. No part of this policy shall conflict with any City ordinance, code or other laws or regulations.
6. Council must determine that names are appropriate, consistent with and meet the needs of the community and serve a public purpose. Therefore, names must be tasteful and non-controversial. Names with connotations which are determined by the City Council to be derogatory or offensive and names that promote or refer to political organizations, issues or religious affiliations will not be permitted because they are deemed to be inappropriate, inconsistent with community needs and serve no public purpose.

B. Naming or Renaming of Parks, City Buildings and Recreation Facilities and Amenities after Individuals or Organizations:

The naming in honor of individuals (deceased or living) or community organizations may be considered using the following criteria:

1. Naming may be in recognition of outstanding service, a donation, or a contribution to the facility or community.
2. Naming may be in the name of a person who died in the line of duty serving the City of Goleta or the United States of America, or died while performing a heroic act (example: saving the life of another person).

Satisfying one or more of the eligibility criteria listed above does not assure approval of any naming recommendation. Recommendations must be appropriate, consistent with and meet the needs of the community and serve a public purpose.

The City will obtain approval from family members of deceased individuals recommended for a naming in their honor.

The City will obtain written approval from the governing body of any active organization recommended for a naming in its honor.

C. Placement of Dedications, Commemorative Objects, Plaques and Markers:

In addition to the naming opportunities described above, the City may recognize individuals, either deceased or living, or organizations, active or non-active, by

the placement of objects (such as public benches, rocks, flagpoles, sculptures, trees etc.), plaques or markers in public facilities, parks, open spaces, parkways or other portions of the public right-of-way, provided such recognition is appropriate, consistent with and meets the needs of the community and serves a public purpose. The approval, placement, and identification of these dedications will be at the discretion of the Community Services Department staff. Approval is subject to the following guidelines and conditions:

1. Dedications, commemorative objects, plaques or markers may not be placed in or on City facilities or the public right-of-way without Community Services Department approval. The location, size and type of these items require approval by the designated Community Services staff. Upon the receipt of a request for the placement of an object, plaque or marker in a City park, open space or other portion of the public right-of-way, the Community Services Department will review the request to ensure that it can be accommodated in a way that provides some public purpose, meets the intended use of the proposed location in a manner that does not mar the appearance or function of the requested location, or cause or contribute to an overabundance of items in the immediate area.
2. Responsibility for the purchase, installation and maintenance of any recognition object and/or associated plaque or other form of label associated with the object must be borne by the requesting party. Such objects and plaques must not pose a burden on City resources for their maintenance, upkeep, repair or replacement. The Community Services Department may accept the transfer of responsibility for the purchase, installation and maintenance of recognition items and plaques, provided that sufficient funds for these activities are provided to the City by the requesting party. In either case, applicants must enter into a service agreement with the City which specifies:
 - a. The cost of the recognition object and/or plaque, and whether the applicant or the City will purchase the object and/or plaque;
 - b. The costs associated with the installation of the object and/or plaque, and whether the applicant or the City will conduct the installation;
 - c. The costs associated with the ongoing maintenance of the object and/or plaque, and whether the City or the applicant will perform maintenance of the object and plaque;

The City will not be responsible for maintenance, upkeep, repair or replacement of any dedication or commemorative object if the placement of the item(s) was not approved by the City. The City may immediately remove any dedication or commemorative object placed without approval by the City.

3. The City reserves the right to reject any request for a dedication or recognition object placement upon determination that it is part of an organized fund raising effort or commercial venture.

4. The City will make every effort to preserve any dedication plaque or other object placed with the approval of the City. If necessary, due to repair of surrounding areas, construction or redesign of a facility, the plaque or dedication object may be relocated. If the plaque or other recognition object cannot continue to be reasonably maintained or poses a public nuisance or hazard, it may be removed by the City.
5. If the dedication includes the gift of an object (e.g. bench, picnic table, play equipment), the City will provide its regular standard of care and maintenance for the object. If the object is damaged due to vandalism, becomes unusable due to age, wear and tear or is stolen, the City is not obligated to replace or repair the object. Any object that poses a public nuisance or hazard may instead be immediately removed by the City.
6. Plaques and markers must be designed to blend with or compliment the existing City park or facility. Markers or plaques must be made of bronze or any other material which has been pre-approved by Community Services staff. The wording on plaques or markers must conform to the standardized format provided in Exhibit C of this policy.
7. If a request for placement of a dedication, commemorative object, plaque or marker is denied by the Community Services Department, the decision may be appealed to the City Manager or designee by filing a written request for a hearing within 10 days of the issuance of the denial. The City Manager or designee shall set a hearing date and provide the requesting party with at least 10 days notice prior to the hearing. The hearing shall be held within 60 days of the receipt of the request. The applicant shall have the right to be present at the hearing, review the Community Services staff arguments against their request, and present arguments in support of their request. The City Manager or designee shall issue a decision within 30 days of the hearing date. The decision of the City Manager or designee shall be final.

D. Fundraising Campaigns:

The naming of City parks, park facilities, open spaces or City buildings in association with fundraising campaigns may be considered under the following conditions:

1. Organizations affiliated with the City that desire to raise funds for a City-sponsored project must receive a recommendation from the Naming Committee and receive final approval from the City Council prior to attaching naming opportunities to the fundraising campaign.
2. Organizations conducting fundraising campaigns with approved associated naming opportunities must immediately notify the City Clerk when a naming proposal is under consideration in order to facilitate the review of the proposal by the Naming Committee and the City Council.
3. Naming proposals that promote political organizations, religious

affiliations, and alcohol or tobacco products will not be considered.

4. No part of this policy shall conflict with any City ordinance, code or other laws or regulations.
5. Names must be tasteful and non-controversial. Names with connotations which are determined by the City Council to be derogatory or offensive shall not be considered.

Section V. Procedure

A. Nomination Process for Naming/Renaming of Parks, City Buildings and Recreation Facilities and Amenities :

All requests to the Naming Committee and City Council, including those developed by City or Redevelopment Agency Staff for naming opportunities, must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk and contain detailed justification for the request.

1. The detailed request must provide the minimum of information contained on the form included in this policy.
2. The City Clerk will transmit the form and supporting documents to the Community Services Director or his/her designee for review. Community Services staff will then forward the form and supporting documents to the Naming Committee for review.
3. After action has been taken on the nomination by the Naming Committee, the recommendation will be sent back to the City Clerk to be placed on the City Council agenda.
4. The Clerk will notify the petitioner of the date for Council consideration and/or the subsequent action by City Council.

B. Request Process for Placement of Dedications, Commemorative Objects, Plaques or Markers:

1. Working in cooperation with the Community Services Department, individuals, groups, and organizations interested in proposing to place a commemorative or plaque, marker or object in any park area or facility must do so in writing. Requests shall be presented to the City Clerk for consideration by Community Services staff.
2. At a minimum, the attached form must be completed. The inclusion of additional supporting information (photos, brochures, area map, drawings, etc.) is recommended.
3. Community Services staff will act on each request made, and if approved, will coordinate with applicant on the installation of the plaque, marker or other object.

Section VI. Temporary Memorials and Shrines

In some instances, residents have taken it upon themselves to construct temporary memorials within the public right-of-way to honor deceased family members or friends. These types of installations are subject to different considerations than the City sponsored naming or dedication initiatives previously outlined in this policy. These memorials are not formally recognized by the City, the Council, or staff.

Since commemorating a loved one is a deeply personal thing, the City desires to accommodate the City's residents, and allow creativity with sensitivity and tact, while maintaining the safety of all residents and the aesthetic integrity of neighborhoods and public spaces. This section pertains only to City maintained medians, parks, and right-of-ways, and not to the use of private property. Under no circumstances may anything be constructed within 100 feet of a blind corner.

A. Safety and Aesthetic Concerns:

Since creation of a shrine is generally done following a loss, the City recognizes the social and community value of such a construction; under all other circumstances, personal or commercial items, signs, or personal effects are not appropriate and are prohibited within City medians, parks, or right-of-ways.

Accumulation of personal items (for memorials) within public spaces can cause safety and access issues; it can also create debris and litter within the public right-of-way. Without these guidelines and on-going maintenance, these shrines may become visual distractions to motorists, potential visual blight to the immediate neighborhood, and can become a public nuisance.

B. Thirty-Day Courtesy:

The City will permit memorials and shrines to exist in or adjacent to the public right-of-way for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of a significant accident or loss, provided they do not create a safety hazard in the sole and exclusive discretion of City Staff. City Staff will not remove personal items from the location with the exception of:

1. Safety hazards.
2. Dead or dying flowers.
3. Dead or dying plants (with or without vases).
4. Debris and trash.
5. Deflated balloons.

These items may be removed at the discretion of the City. The City is not responsible for maintaining items in the right-of-way. Furthermore, memorials or shrines dedicated to animals will not be permitted.

C. Removal:

Following the thirty (30) day period, all materials will be removed by City personnel. The City may grant an exception for an indefinite time for one single identifying commemorative item such as a photograph, small sign, or other symbolic item provided it is small and tasteful, does not present a distraction, or pose a safety hazard.

D. One Year Accommodation:

Prior approval from the City must be obtained for an exceptional item and the item may remain at the location for no more than one (1) year from the date of the incident. If the item remains unclaimed after three-hundred sixty-five days, City personnel will make it available to the owners in accordance with the provisions outlined in the following section of this policy. The City retains full discretion as to the appropriateness of the item, which will be determined in part by but not limited to:

1. Size.
2. Placement or arrangement.
3. Visual impact.
4. Potential to distract motorists or pedestrians and promote an unsafe environment.

E. Retrieval:

All non-perishable personal items will be made available to family members upon removal and will be held by the City's Public Works Division for up to thirty (30) days following removal. The City assumes no responsibility and is not liable for lost, damaged, or stolen items that were left in the median or public right-of-way; additionally, the City does not assure or guarantee the safe transport or storage of items once they are removed and in City custody.

Section VII. Amendments

Amendment of this policy may be made from time to time by action of the City Council.

Section VIII. Inquiries

Inquiries regarding this policy may be directed to the City Clerk's office in person or by phone at 805-961-7505.



CITY OF GOLETA

PARKS AND FACILITIES NAMING POLICY

REQUEST FORM

Please type or print clearly in ink and return to:

- City Clerk's Office, City of Goleta
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, CA 93117

I. Date of Submittal: _____

II. Request Type (Check One):

- Naming of Park or Building for an Individual
- Naming of a Park or Building for an Organization

III. Nominated Name/Organization: _____

VII. Recommended Name of Facility: _____

VIII. Location of building or park recommended for naming/renaming:

IX. Explanation of why this individual/organization should be considered. (This information will be used by City Staff and the Naming Committee to determine the basis for their recommendation to the City Council). Use additional paper if necessary.

XII. Individual or Organization Submitting Naming or Memorial Request:

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

City Staff Review Completed:	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Naming Committee Recommendation:				
Date of Meeting: _____	Approve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Decline	<input type="checkbox"/>
City Council Action Date: _____	Approve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Decline	<input type="checkbox"/>



CITY OF GOLETA

**REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT OF A DEDICATION,
COMMEMORATIVE OBJECT, PLAQUE OR MARKER**

Please type or print clearly in ink and return to:

- City Clerk's Office, City of Goleta
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, CA 93117

I. Date of Submittal: _____

II. Request Type (Check One):

- Placement of a Dedication or Commemorative Object
- Placement of a Plaque or Marker

III. Nominated Name/Organization: _____

IV. Location of proposed dedication, memorial, plaque or marker:

V. Explanation of how the individual or organization is to be honored/commemorated. Indicate the specific desired location. Please include any photos, drawings or specification of the desired item.

VI. Individual or Organization Submitting Dedication or Commemoration Request:

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

City Staff Review Completed:	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Installation Approval Status: _____	Approved	<input type="checkbox"/>	Denied	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date of Approval: _____				

SAMPLE WORDING
FOR
COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUES AND MARKERS

"THIS (insert type of commemorative item) IS IN HONOR OF

(Name of Honoree)

DEDICATED BY

(Name Group or Individual)

(Date of Dedication)"

Attachment 2

Parks and Facilities Naming Policy Completed Request Form – Potter's Point



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PARKS AND FACILITIES NAMING POLICY
REQUEST FORM

Please type or print clearly in ink and return to:

- City Clerk's Office, City of Goleta
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, CA 93117

I. Date of Submittal: March 6, 2024

II. Request Type (Check One):

- Naming of Park or Building for an Individual
- Naming of a Park or Building for an Organization

III. Nominated Name/Organization: Christopher Potter

VII. Recommended Name of Facility: Potter's Point

VIII. Location of building or park recommended for naming/renaming:

Coastal lookout point along the Ellwood Bluffs
where Chris used frequently paint.

IX. Explanation of why this individual/organization should be considered. (This information will be used by City Staff and the Naming Committee to determine the basis for their recommendation to the City Council). Use additional paper if necessary.

This particular point in Ellwood along the coast was
a favorite spot of Goleta legend Chris Potter to paint.
After his passing, friends and family of Chris gathered
there to celebrate and honor him. Please see attached
letter and list of signatories from community members for more.

XII. Individual or Organization Submitting Naming or Memorial Request:

Laura Cuypps, Santa Barbara County Supervisor

Address: 105 E. Anapamu Street

City, State, Zip: Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Telephone: 805-568-2191

City Staff Review Completed:	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Naming Committee Recommendation:				
Date of Meeting: _____	Approve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Decline	<input type="checkbox"/>
City Council Action Date: _____	Approve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Decline	<input type="checkbox"/>



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I. Date of Submittal: March 6, 2024

II. Request Type (Check One):

- Placement of a Dedication or Commemorative Object
- Placement of a Plaque or Marker

III. Nominated Name/Organization: Christopher Potter

IV. Location of proposed dedication, memorial, plaque or marker:

Point along the Ellwood Bluffs coast, a scenic point where
Chris often painted and his friends and family gathered
after his passing.

V. Explanation of how the individual or organization is to be honored/commemorated. Indicate the specific desired location. Please include any photos, drawings or specification of the desired item.

Chris' and his family's wish is to install a commemorative
bench in honor of Chris at "Potter's Point" on a coastal
lookout at the Ellwood Bluffs. Attached are pictures of the
particular point.

VI. Individual or Organization Submitting Dedication or Commemoration Request:

Laura Capps, Santa Barbara County Supervisor

Address: 105 East Arapamu Street

City, State, Zip: Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Telephone: 805-568-2191

City Staff Review Completed:
Installation Approval Status: _____
Date of Approval: _____

Yes No
Approved Denied

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Second District Supervisor



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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

March 6, 2024

Dear Councilmembers James Kyriaco and Stuart Kasdin,

For your consideration, enclosed is a letter with a community-wide request to name a point along the coastline in Ellwood to “Potter’s Point” in honor of Goleta legend Christopher Potter. Per Chris’ final wishes, it was his hope that a commemorative bench would be placed at his favorite point in Ellwood where he loved to paint landscapes, and after his passing, families and friends gathered to honor him.

Along with this letter, enclosed is a list of more than 1,100 Goleta residents and friends and family of Chris, who join me in support of designating this point and installing a bench in his honor.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'LC' with a long, sweeping underline.

Second District Supervisor
Santa Barbara County

Dear Mayor Perotte and Members of the Goleta City Council,

Christopher Potter (1975 - 2024) is a local Goleta legend; his loving impact on our community will last far into the future. Chris was born in Goleta Valley Hospital and he attended Ellwood Elementary, Goleta Valley Jr. High, Dos Pueblos and UCSB. He and his wife Julie raised their two children, Malakye and Zenia, in Goleta.

For decades, Chris' art has captured the beauty and spirit of our county's seascapes, landscapes and historical sites. Chris' attitude to life also embodied the best of our community. He was a wonderful father, a steady friend to many, and a warm and engaging presence to countless people who were the recipients of his infectious smile. He gave back in many ways, often by donating his art to nonprofit organizations for their auctions.

Christopher's beloved place to be was along the coastline in Ellwood, unofficially deemed by his friends as "Potter's Point." It is there where he often painted. It is there where he spent time with his friends and family. It is there where he took in and was inspired by nature. As one of his friends shared at his memorial service, Chris would often say at Ellwood, "Good Job, Mother Nature!"

Upon learning the news of his sudden passing on February 3rd, many spontaneously gathered at Potter's Point to share their grief, hugs, and love for Chris. Several hundred people turned out for his memorial service, filling the Elings auditorium at Dos Pueblos High School. Story after story reminded us of the gifts of humor, generosity, and love he gave to us.

As Matt Kettman eloquently described in [The Santa Barbara Independent](#):

"I've never known someone who so brilliantly used his own natural wonder about the world to spark similar awe in all who gazed upon his creations. His daily dedication and ability to paint efficiently led to remarkable success as an artist, turning what most approach as a hobby into a full-time job to support his family. Despite needing to earn a living through that work, he frequently acted selflessly, donating hundreds of paintings to causes and people who needed a financial or emotional boost."

A fitting tribute to the indelible impact Chris has on us all would be to officially designate Potter's Point with a commemoration that is in keeping with the ancestral people of this land. I hope you will take such an action that would mean so much to Chris' family and the thousands of us who deeply feel the loss of such a caring, talented and giving man. It would be a fitting tribute to a life that exemplified the best of Goleta.

Thank you for your consideration.
Supervisor Laura Capps



Potter's Point / Image by Jerry Calkins

Designate “Potter’s Point” in honor of Christopher Potter Signatories

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Attachment 3

Chris Potter's obituary from the Santa Barbara Independent

| Wed Feb 07, 2024 | 9:33am



Chris Potter

Date of Birth

January 29,
1975

Date of Death

February 3,
2024

Christopher Joseph Stewart Potter, a renowned landscape artist beloved by the Santa Barbara community, died suddenly on February 3, 2024, just days after his 49th birthday.

Chris was born at Goleta Valley Cottage Hospital on January 29, 1975 to Susan and Jay Potter. He was a descendent of the founders of the famous Potter Hotel, which dominated the Santa Barbara shoreline in the early 20th century.

Chris learned to love the sea and the shoreline while growing up near the Ellwood Bluffs, a place that remained dear to his heart until the end, particularly an overlook where he loved to paint that's now being called Potter's Point.

He attended Ellwood Elementary, Goleta Valley Junior High, and Dos Pueblos High, then studied art at UCSB, where he became close to a large group of friends, including a surfer and songwriter from Hawaii named Jack Johnson. Upon graduating in 1998, Chris moved to be close to his brother, Jay Potter Jr., in San Diego, settling into a career as a stockbroker but continuing to paint in his free time.

During a trip to Europe in August 2001, he met a woman from Quebec named Julie Beaumont in Paris, sharing a bottle of wine under the Arc de Triomphe. Julie tracked down Chris in California, convinced him to focus on his painting as a career, and then they moved to Montreal. They married on June 14, 2003, in Bromont, Québec.

The couple moved back to Santa Barbara in September 2003, where Chris continued working as a stockbroker for Charles Schwab while painting every day. The Potters were blessed by the birth of their son, Malakye, in August 2006, and again by the birth of their daughter, Zenia, in May 2008.

In 2009, after more than a decade as a stockbroker, Chris quit that career to paint full-time, pledging to create at least one piece per day. His risky life change inspired the community at large, giving hope to those who wanted to follow their own dreams and live life on their own terms.

Chris mostly kept up that pace – often producing even more than one painting per day – until his death, becoming very successful in this endeavor. He was a common sight on the beaches and bluffs around Santa Barbara County, but he also brought his easel much deeper into nature than most plein air artists, exploring the rugged reaches of the Los Padres National Forest during annual backpacking trips and the isolated coves of Channel Islands National Park.

Chris Potter Family Art Shows became known as legendary gatherings, where he sold works small and large. Prices ranged from near-nothing to tens of thousands of dollars, and paintings were frequently donated to support a variety of causes, including his most recent donation just weeks ago to a young woman fighting cancer. Chris Potter pieces hang in public and private places all over Santa Barbara and beyond, leaving a visual legacy that will be appreciated long into the future.

His infectiously joyous life was interrupted in the fall of 2021, when Chris was diagnosed with an incredibly rare and aggressive form of cancer called NUT carcinoma that had invaded his lungs and elsewhere. He spent weeks on the verge of death in Cottage Hospital, eventually traveling across the state and country for consults and treatments.

The community rallied around him and his family, supporting them financially and emotionally through The Friendship Paddle in the summer of 2022.

Miraculously, and against all predictions by doctors from Harvard to UCLA, Chris came back from near-death to return to his daily regime of painting and living the good Santa Barbara life.

Following recent scans that showed his body was free of visible cancer, Chris was in the midst of that life when he died suddenly while visiting friends and family in San Diego and Huntington Beach. He spent his last day golfing and hanging out with close buddies, but did not awake the next morning, having passed away peacefully in his sleep.

Chris Potter is survived by his wife Julie; son Malakye; daughter Zenia; mother Susan Potter; brothers Jay Potter Jr. and Alex Potter; sister Megan Elizabeth Stern; and five nieces. On Julie's side, Chris is survived by his father-in-law Gilles Beaumont, mother-in-law Carmelle Brosseau; stepmother-in-law Lise-Margerite Legare; and brother-in-law Francis Beaumont. He is preceded in death by his father, Jay Sheldon Potter, who passed away in October 2023.

A celebration of life will be held at the Elings Performing Arts Center at Dos Pueblos High School on Saturday, February 24, 1 p.m. Given the potential for a large crowd, attendees are being asked to register in advance by visiting chrispotterart.com. Those who would like to support Malakye and Zenia can donate to gofundme.com/f/for-malakye-and-zenia.