

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

MEETING DATE: May 16, 2005

DEPARTMENT ID NUMBER: PD-05-007

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**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

SUBMITTED TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

SUBMITTED BY: DR. PENELOPE CULBREATH-GRAFT, CITY ADMINISTRATOR *Penelope Culbreath Graft*

PREPARED BY: KENNETH W. SMALL, CHIEF OF POLICE *KWS*

SUBJECT: ADOPT RESOLUTION 2005-3 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PROVIDING FOR THE CHANGE OF THE STREET NAME ALCALA CIRCLE TO VELETA CIRCLE.

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Statement of Issue, Funding Source, Recommended Action, Alternative Action(s), Analysis, Environmental Status, Attachment(s)

Statement of Issue:

The Huntington Beach Police Department is recommending the renaming of Alcala Circle to Veleta Circle in the new housing tract off of Pacific View Drive, which is the street in front of the Hilton and the Hyatt Resort, tract 15549, grid 462. The Police Department brought this item to Council on January 3, 2005, but an error was made in the street identifier. In the January 3, 2005 Council item Alcala was identified as a Drive, but it is actually a Circle. The reason for the change in street name was that this particular name is associated with a horrific murder that occurred over 25 years ago in Huntington Beach.

Funding Source:

Any costs associated with changing the street sign can be absorbed in the existing fiscal year 2004-2005 Police Department budget. The identified cost is related to changing the one street sign and is estimated to be \$26.00.

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Recommended Action:

Motion TO ADOPT Resolution No. 2005-3 "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of the Huntington Beach Providing for the Change of the Street Name of Alcalá Circle to Veleta Circle."

Alternative Action(s):

Do not adopt Resolution 2005-3 of the City Council of the City of the Huntington Beach Providing for the Change of the Street Name of Alcalá Circle to Veleta Circle and retain the current street name.

Analysis:

The Police Department initiated the request for the name change of Alcalá Circle to Veleta Circle and brought an item before Council at the January 3, 2005 meeting. At that meeting the Council voted to change the name from Alcalá Drive to Veleta Drive. Recently, it was noted that Alcalá is not a Drive, but is actually a Circle. The Police Department is requesting that the name of Alcalá Circle be changed to Veleta Circle.

The original request to change the name was because it is associated with a murder, which occurred in Huntington Beach in 1979. On June 20, 1979, Rodney Alcalá kidnapped, raped and murdered 12-year-old Huntington Beach resident, Robin Samsøe. Alcalá, a convicted serial killer, was tried and convicted at his first trial. Due to complex legal circumstances, he has been granted two additional trials since his original conviction. The Huntington Beach Police Department is in the process of the third trial.

The family of Robin Samsøe has had to live with this tragedy for over twenty-five years. Their grief is amplified not only due to the repeated trials, but also because a new street in Huntington Beach has been named Alcalá Circle. Although the naming of this street has no relationship to the 1979 crime, it is still difficult for the family to know a street bears the name of the suspect. Alcalá Circle is located less than one mile from the current residence of the Samsøe family and the location where the victim was last seen alive. Specifically, the street is located in the Sea Cove Condominium Development, which is across from the Hyatt Resort and Spa. Alcalá Circle is located in a phase of the development that is not occupied, but is expected to be in the near future.

The name change of Alcalá Circle to Veleta Circle will allow the family of Robin Samsøe to gain some closure to the tragedy that has been prolonged by the repeated court trials and it will remove the association of a Huntington Beach street to Orange County's most notorious serial killer. The developer, the Fire Department and the Police Department, have agreed to the alternate name. No other parties are affected by the name change.

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ACTION

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Environmental Status:

None

Attachment(s):

City Clerk's Page Number	No.	Description
4	1	Resolution <i>Res. No. 2005-3</i>
6	2	Grid Map

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ATTACHMENT # 1

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-3

RESTATE AND REVISED RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PROVIDING FOR THE
CHANGE OF THE STREET NAME OF ALCALA CIRCLE
TO VELETA CIRCLE

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2005, the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach adopted Resolution No. 2005-3 changing the street name of Alcala Circle to Veleta Circle. However, a typographical error referenced "Alcala Drive" and "Veleta Drive"; and

The City Council desires to clarify its intent to change the street name of Alcala Circle to Veleta Circle,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach does hereby change Alcala Circle to Veleta Circle.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to various public agencies including the Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange, pursuant to Government Code §34092.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach at a regular meeting thereof held on the _____ day of _____, 200__.

Mayor

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

Lynette Cullin
City Administrator

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jennifer M. Gauth
City Attorney
9/18/05
WTM 3/14/05

INITIATED AND APPROVED:

H. Stewart (ACTING C.O.P.) 4/20/05
Police Chief

REVIEWED AND APPROVED

James O...
Fire Chief

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