



City of Emeryville

CALIFORNIA

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 15, 2018
TO: Carolyn Lehr, City Manager
FROM: Pedro Jimenez, Community Services Director
SUBJECT: Recommendation for Naming Or Dedication Of Emeryville Center Of Community Life Gymnasium

RECOMMENDATION

Consider making a recommendation to Emery Unified School District (EUSD) for the naming or dedication of the Emeryville Center of Community Life Gymnasium.

BACKGROUND

The EUSD School Board is making plans to discuss the possible naming or dedication of the School Gymnasium. At the request of Council Member Patz, the subject was discussed at the April 30, 2018 Community Services Committee meeting, and members Christian Patz and Dianne Martinez voted to recommend that the City Council consider sending a letter to the EUSD School Board, expressing support for naming or dedicating the ECCL Gymnasium.

Community Services Committee Members Patz and Martinez agreed on their support for naming the gymnasium after Steve Dain, the beloved former Emery School District PE teacher and coach. Whether Mr. Dain or another candidate, the Committee urges that the selected honoree have the following characteristics: is deceased but whose life had a strong connection to Emeryville; was representative of Emeryville's values as a diverse population, and in particular—an excellent opportunity to honor the LGBT community at this important ECCL facility.

DISCUSSION

If Council agrees to provide input on the EUSD decision, the Council could appoint a subcommittee of Council Member Patz and Mayor Bauters (or other designees) to compose a letter for the Mayor's signature on behalf of the Council that conveys the Council's input. This would be a recommendation to the EUSD Board or naming committee charged with making the final determination for naming facilities at ECCL.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

STAFF COMMUNICATION WITH THE PUBLIC

No staff communication with the public.

PREPARED BY: Pedro Jimenez, Community Services Director

**APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:**



Carolyn Lehr, City Manager