



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting November 16, 2021

**DATE:** November 16, 2021

**TO:** Peter Zaroni, City Manager

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**Renaming the Public Works Department Building #21 to the  
Richard E. Martinez Public Works Facility**

**CAPTION:**

Resolution authorizing the name change of the Public Works Department Building #21 to the Richard E. Martinez Public Works Facility in honor of the late Public Works Department Director, Richard E. Martinez.

**SUMMARY:**

Resolution authorizing the renaming of a city facility on behalf of the late Public Works Director Richard Martinez in recognition for his contributions to the City of Corpus Christi.

**BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Councilman Ben Molina has recommended the renaming of the Public Works Department Building #21, located at 2525 Hygeia, on behalf of the late Director Richard Martinez. Richard was a true and inspirational leader who instilled confidence in his teammates and has spent the past two years rebuilding our public works functions.

Richard came to the City in January 2020 as part of the restructuring of the Public Works/Streets/Storm Water Department. As Public Works Director Richard spearheaded the City's first five-year rolling infrastructure management plan and worked to have over \$200 million of funding dedicated for street maintenance and reconstruction during his time with the City. Richard established an in-house Street Rehabilitation Program creating two teams to self-perform street rebuilding, augmenting work of our private sector partners. Additionally, he developed an innovative pothole repair improvement program. Richard was instrumental in the consolidation of the storm water functions from two other City departments for improved realignment of services and developed a robust street sweeping program for the first time in the City's history.

Richard enhanced the quality of life for the residents of Corpus Christi by continually improving infrastructure and providing services in a cost-effective manner.

Current Council policy approved by Resolution 21901, 8. Naming of City Facilities, states: "final decisions regarding the naming of City facilities shall be the decision of the City Council. The City Council may request recommendations from City boards, commissions, committees or advisory bodies."

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Not approve this request and not rename the building.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Public Works is coordinating the design and installation of the signage through Engineering Services and Asset Management. Design and installation is expected within the next three months. Final fiscal impact will be determined at that time.

**FUNDING DETAIL:**

Fund:	N/A
Organization/Activity:	
Mission Element:	
Project # ( <b>CIP Only</b> ):	N/A
Account:	
Amount:	

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the approval of this request.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Resolution