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REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

For business meeting on December 15–16, 2016

Title	Agenda Item Type
Court Facilities: Naming Request for the New Juvenile Courthouse in Murrieta	Action Required
Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes Affected	Effective Date
None	December 16, 2016
Recommended by	Date of Report
Court Facilities Advisory Committee Hon. Keith D. Davis, Chair of the Subcommittee on Courthouse Names	December 1, 2016
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Executive Summary

The Subcommittee on Courthouse Names of the Court Facilities Advisory Committee recommends approving the request to name the new juvenile courthouse in the Southwest Justice Center in the City of Murrieta as the *Southwest Juvenile Courthouse*. This approval provides a name for the new courthouse that is currently under construction and scheduled for completion in summer 2017.

Recommendation

The Subcommittee on Courthouse Names of the Court Facilities Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective December 16, 2016, approve the request to name the new juvenile courthouse, which is under construction in the Southwest Justice Center in the City of Murrieta, as the *Southwest Juvenile Courthouse, Superior Court of California, Riverside County*.

Previous Council Action

The council has taken no previous action on this courthouse naming request. In April 2014, the council adopted its revised *Courthouse Naming Policy*, available at www.courts.ca.gov/documents/jc-20140425-itemJ.pdf.

Rationale for Recommendation

Currently, there is a juvenile courthouse under construction for the Superior Court of Riverside County in the City of Murrieta in the Southwest Justice Center. This new juvenile courthouse is a project that the County of Riverside's Economic Development Agency is fully funding to replace superior court space in the former Indio County Administrative Building. In 2013, the superior court had to vacate that county administrative building so the county could demolish the building to construct its East County Detention Center. This space-replacement project, which will be located adjacent to the juvenile hall in the Southwest Justice Center, provides the superior court a new, two-courtroom juvenile courthouse for juvenile delinquency and dependency departments. The superior court requests a name for this new juvenile courthouse based on its location and case type (see Attachment A).

The completion of this new juvenile courthouse is expected in summer 2017. Therefore, and to have the requested name incorporated in the signage for the new courthouse, council staff must gain council approval of the name at this time to assist the County of Riverside with its preparation of the signage design submittal for fabrication in spring 2017.

The subcommittee reviewed the naming request against the naming standard by location and case type—under section III.B.2.a of the council's *Courthouse Naming Policy*—and found that it complies with all requirements.

Comments, Alternatives Considered, and Policy Implications

Per the council's naming policy, requests involving names of court facilities based on location and case type require evaluation by the subcommittee, with a recommendation directly to the council. On October 7, 2016, the subcommittee evaluated the naming request, voting unanimously that the council approve the request. In advance of that meeting, this naming request was posted for public comment on September 30, 2016, and no public comments were received.

In light of the naming request's precise compliance with the council's naming policy, no alternatives to the recommended action were considered.

Implementation Requirements, Costs, and Operational Impacts

The costs of designing and fabricating the signage for the new juvenile courthouse planned in the City of Murrieta would be paid by the County of Riverside from the project's capital-outlay budget.

Relevant Strategic Plan Goals and Operational Plan Objectives

The recommended council action supports Goal III, Modernization of Management and Administration, and Goal VI, Branchwide Infrastructure for Service Excellence.

Attachment

1. Attachment A: Courthouse naming request from Judge John M. Monterosso, Superior Court of California, County of Riverside, March 8, 2016

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
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March 8, 2016

Hon. Keith D. Davis
Chair for the Subcommittee on Courthouse names
Judge of the Superior Court of California
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Re: Naming of a new juvenile courthouse facility in Riverside County

Your Honor,

On behalf of the Riverside Superior Court and in accordance with the JCC policy on Courthouse naming, I am writing you to submit the preferred name for our new juvenile courthouse that will be located in Murrieta. This new courthouse will be fully funded and constructed by the Riverside County EDA as replacement space for courtrooms that were vacated in the old County Administration building complex in Indio. The Court vacated existing JCC owned space in 2013 so that the County EDA could move forward with demolition of the existing structure prior to construction of the new East County Detention Center on the same site.

The new Courthouse will have a total of two courtrooms dedicated to juvenile departments (one dependency and one delinquency). It will also be located adjacent to Southwest juvenile hall, which is on the campus of our existing Southwest Justice Center. Therefore, our Court requests the new facility be named:

**Southwest Juvenile Courthouse
Superior Court of California, Riverside County**

We are anticipating construction of the new facility to start in April 2016 with completion projected in the summer 2017. Please let me know if you require further information to grant our Court approval of our proposed new courthouse name.

Sincerely,

JOHN M. MONTEROSSO
Judge of the Superior Court