

**CITY OF WASILLA
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 11-40**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZING THE IDITAPARK
COMPLEX PROPERTY AS THE GERRIT HEINE SNIDER MEMORIAL HOMESTEAD
PROPERTY.**

WHEREAS, in the 1930's Gerrit Heine and Alice Snider of Wasilla, Alaska donated 30 acre parcel of land for a small plane airstrip; and

WHEREAS, a new airport was planned west of town and the old airstrip was closed in 1993; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska in 1996 quitclaim the old Wasilla airstrip to the City of Wasilla with restriction that it be used for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, that former airstrip has evolved into the heart of our city, and through the combined efforts and labors of the city citizens has become the hub of our community outdoor events; and

WHEREAS, parks and open spaces are key and critical to supporting and enhancing healthy and active lifestyle for the general well being of all who enjoy their amenities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Snider's most generous and forward thinking donation to the future generations of Wasilla has added immeasurable value to the families and visitors of our wonderful city, the name of Snider deserves the respect, appreciation, and honor of recognition and acknowledgment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Wasilla City Council that the existing Iditapark Complex property is officially recognized as the Gerrit Heine Snider Memorial Homestead Property.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on September 26, 2010.

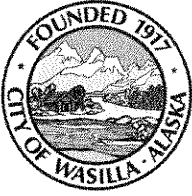

VERNE E. RUPRIGHT, Mayor

ATTEST:


KRISTIE L. SMITHERS, MMC, City Clerk

[SEAL]

VOTE: Holler, Katkus, Menard, Sullivan-Leonard and Woodruff in favor.



**CITY OF WASILLA
LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT**

Resolution Serial No. 11-40: RECOGNIZING THE IDITAPARK COMPLEX PROPERTY AS THE GERRIT HEINE SNIDER MEMORIAL HOMESTEAD PROPERTY.

Agenda of: September 26, 2011

Date: September 13, 2011

Originator: James Hastings, Recreation & Cultural Svc Director

Route to:	Department	Signature/Date
X	Recreational and Cultural Services Manager	<i>[Signature]</i>
X	Director of Public Works	<i>[Signature]</i>
X	Director of Finance	<i>[Signature]</i> 9-13-11
X	Deputy Administrator	<i>[Signature]</i> 9/13/11
X	City Clerk	<i>[Signature]</i>

REVIEWED BY MAYOR VERNE E. RUPRIGHT: *[Signature]*

FISCAL IMPACT: yes\$ or no Funds Available yes no

Account name/number: n/a

Attachments: Resolution Serial No. 11-40 (2 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT: In the 1930's Gerrit Heine and Alice Snider of Wasilla, Alaska donated 30 acre parcel of land for a small plane airstrip. A new airport was planned west of town and the old airstrip was closed in 1993. The State of Alaska in 1996 quitclaim the old Wasilla airstrip to the City of Wasilla with restriction that it be used for public purposes.

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution Serial No. 11-40, thereby officially recognizing the existing Iditapark Complex Property as the Gerrit Heine Snider Memorial Homestead Property.



SNIDER'S
WASILLA
AIRPORT
DONATED 1928
BY
ALICE & HEINIE SNIDER