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FROM	NAME & TITLE	THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR	CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET		
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #15-0552/ City Property Renaming Robert E. Lee Park to Lake Roland Park		

DATE: August 28, 2015

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 North Holliday Street

At its regular meeting of August 27, 2015, the Planning Commission considered City Council Bill #15-0552, for the purpose of changing the name of Robert E. Lee Park located in Baltimore County to Lake Roland Park.

In its consideration of this Bill, the Planning Commission reviewed the attached staff report recommending approval of City Council Bill #15-0552. Upon a motion to defer the bill, eight members voted to defer. As such the Planning Commission is unable to make a recommendation to the Council.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Wolde Ararsa, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at 410-396-4488.

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Attachment

- cc: Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Chief of Staff
- Mr. Colin Tarbert, Deputy Mayor for Economic and Neighborhood Development
- Mr. Leon Pinkett, Assistant Deputy Mayor for Economic and Neighborhood Development
- Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office
- The Honorable Rochelle "Rikki" Spector, Council Rep. to Planning Commission
- Mr. David Tanner, BMZA
- Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration
- Ms. Sharon Daboin, DHCD
- Ms. Barbara Zektick, DOT
- Ms. Elena DiPietro, Law Dept.
- Ms. Natawna Austin, Council Services
- Ms. Melissa Krafchik, PABC
- The Honorable Bernard "Jack" Young, City Council President
- The Honorable Bill Henry, Councilmember, 4th District



Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
Mayor

PLANNING COMMISSION

Wilbur E. "Bill" Cunningham, Chairman

STAFF REPORT



Thomas J. Stosur
Director

August 27, 2015

REQUEST: City Council Bill #15-0552 Property – Renaming Robert E. Lee Park to Lake Roland Park

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

STAFF: Ivor A. Quashie

PETITIONER: City Council President Bernard C. "Jack" Young and City Councilmember Bill Henry

OWNER: Mayor and City Council

SITE/GENERAL AREA

Site Conditions: Robert E. Lee Park, 1000 Lakeside Drive is a 450 acre park located in Baltimore County surrounding Lake Roland. The park though located in Baltimore County and is owned by the Mayor and City Council. Baltimore County manages the park via its Recreation and Parks Department.

General Area: The park site is located in the southwestern part of Towson in Baltimore County between Bellona Avenue to the east and Falls Road to the west. Lake Roland a former reservoir is located at the center of the park.

HISTORY

There are no previous Planning Commission actions regarding this site.

CONFORMITY TO PLANS

The proposal is also consistent with the City of Baltimore's Comprehensive Master Plan.

ANALYSIS

The park was named Robert E. Lee after a confederate general in the American Civil War by ordinance #173 in 1945.

The stated purpose of the bill is to change the name of this park known as Robert E. Lee Park, located in Baltimore County, to Lake Roland Park.

Thomas J. Stosur
Director