

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Chatham- Savannah Historic Sites and Monuments Commission  
**FROM:** Joe Shearouse Jr.  
**DATE:** February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
**SUBJECT:** Naming Petition Request- Rosedew Park

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**Proposed Name:** Rosedew Park  
**Location:** Coffee Bluff Marina, 14915 Coffee Bluff Road  
**Petitioner:** Alderman Tony Thomas, [TThomas@Savannahga.Gov](mailto:TThomas@Savannahga.Gov)  
**Staff contact:** Joe Shearouse, [jshearouse01@savannahga.gov](mailto:jshearouse01@savannahga.gov), (912) 658-4092

### Staff Recommendation

1. Recommend approval to name the unnamed park located at Coffee Bluff Marina to 'Rosedew Park'.

### Requirements for naming newly created, acquired, or unnamed property. (Sec.4-1102)

#### Criteria Requirement

- ✓ To strengthen neighborhood identity; or
- ✓ To recognize native wildlife or natural features.

#### Restrictions

- ✓ Names assigned to existing public property within the City or unincorporated Chatham County where duplication of the name is likely to lead to confusion; and
- ✓ Except as set forth in Section 4-1106, commercial names where usage of such name would amount to advertising.

#### Considerations

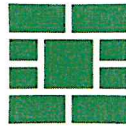
- ✓ The number of residents and businesses directly affected;
- ✓ Community diversity;
- ✓ The historical significance of preexisting name or location;
- ✓ The appropriateness and compatibility of the request in relation to the existing area;
- ✓ The impact on emergency service delivery; and
- ✓ Continuity and stability.

Natural Person Naming Request

✓ N/A

Attachments

1. Petition request
  - a. Official request
  - b. Alderman Thomas's endorsement
  - c. Map of location
  
2. City Staff comments on request



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## Public Property Naming Application and Guideline

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This application allows for the public to propose a name or to rename public property provided all the requirements outlined in Article E. Section 4:1100-1108 are met.

### Criteria

All public property names should meet one of the following criteria:

- To honor and commemorate noteworthy persons associated with the City of Savannah, Chatham County, State of Georgia, or the United States of America;
- To commemorate local history, places, events or culture;
- To strengthen neighborhood identity; or
- To recognize native wildlife or natural features.

### Restrictions

- Persons that resided in the City of Savannah for less than 5 years, other than prominent national figures;
- Names assigned to existing public property within the City or unincorporated Chatham County where duplication of the name is likely to lead to confusion; and
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Naming requests shall take into account:

- The number of residents and businesses directly affected;
- Community diversity;
- The historical significance of preexisting name or location;
- The appropriateness and compatibility of the request in relation to the existing area;
- The impact on emergency service delivery; and
- Continuity and stability.

### Natural Person Naming Request

Requests should consider following;

- Absent extraordinary or extenuating circumstances, the proposed honoree for permanent naming shall be deceased;
- Whether the proposed namesake made a sustained contribution over an appreciable time period, exerted efforts of benefit or significance to local, state or national affairs and/or demonstrated leadership in governmental, cultural or historical affairs, humanitarian efforts, or community development;
- Contributions that beneficially changed the nature and characteristics of the community; and
- Achievement by a native Savannahian of national or international acclaim in a specific field of endeavor that has reflected positively on Savannah.

### Applicant Information

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Name:  Phone Number:

Address:

Email:

### Request Type

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- Honorary street designation
- Newly acquired or created public property or previously unnamed
- Public property renaming request

### Property Type

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- Park, playground, trail or recreation space
- Building or facility
- Street or roadway
- Other public property

### Property Location

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Property address and/ or location description:

Aldermanic District:

Present property name:

Proposed Name:

## **Requirement Checklist for Re-naming Request**

*(Check each item to verify that all requirements are included along with this application according to requested property type.)*

### **Honorary Street Designation**

- The present official name of the street and proposed Honorary Designation
- Identify section of street to receive the designation
- A thorough discussion regarding the history of the street, including all prior names
- A statement of reasons supporting the honorary naming request
- Evidence that such person resided in the City of Savannah for at least five years during his/her lifetime
- Petition, in favor, by 51 percent of abutting property owners
- An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the property is located.
- A non-refundable fee of \$150

### **Street or Roadway**

- The present official name of the street and proposed new name
- The specific location of the street or roadway
- A statement of reasons supporting the renaming request
- A thorough discussion regarding the history of the right-of-way, including all prior names
- A supporting petition signed by not less than 75 percent of all property owners abutting the public right-of-way
- An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the right-of-way is located

### **Park, playground, trail or recreation space**

- The present official name of the street and proposed new name
- The specific location of the street or roadway
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- A thorough discussion regarding the history of the right-of-way, including all prior names
- A supporting petition signed by not less than 51 percent of all property owners abutting the public right-of-way
- An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the right-of-way is located

### **Building or Facility**

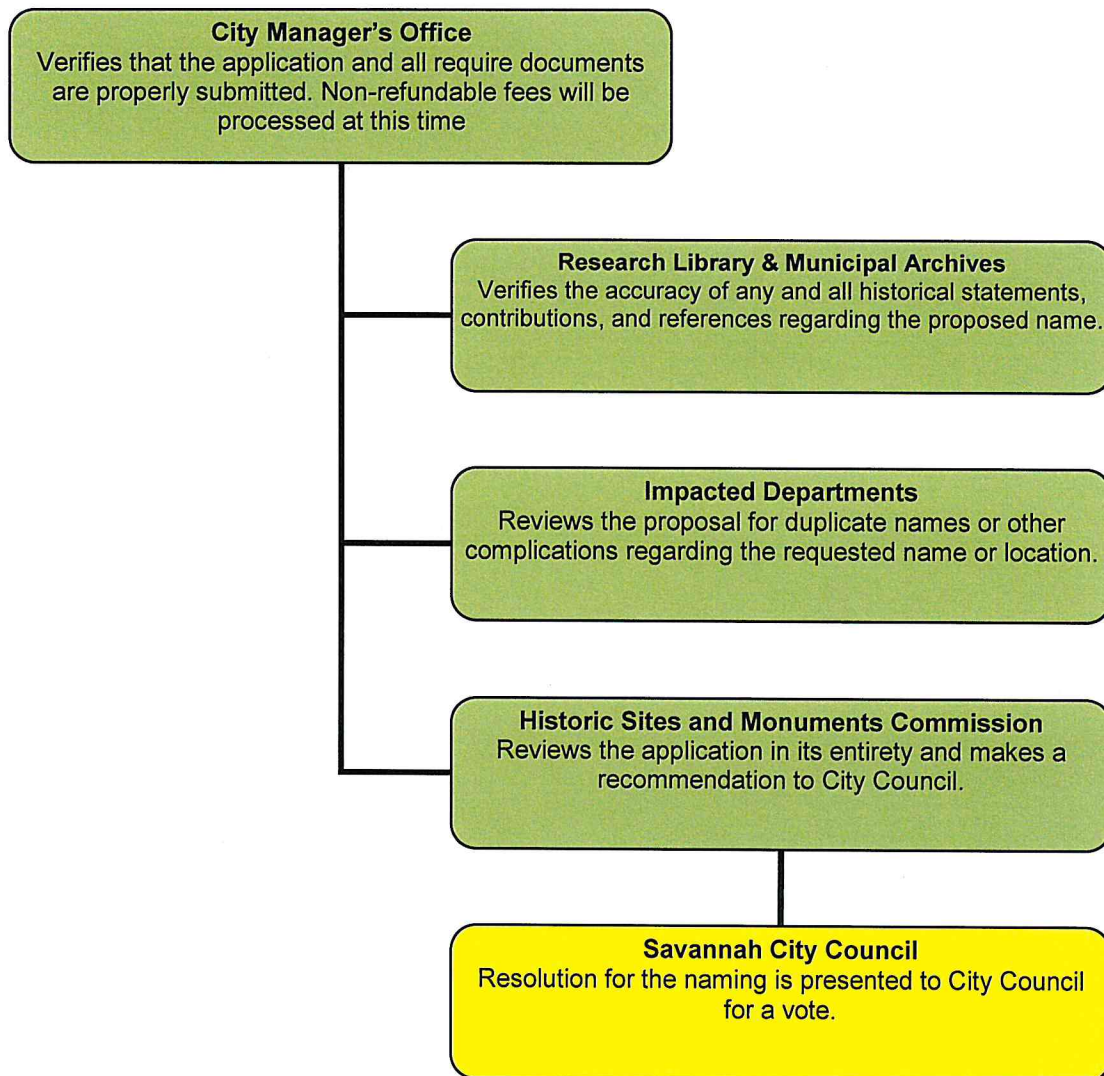
- The present official name of the building, structure or facility
- The proposed new name
- The specific location of the property;
- A statement of reasons supporting the renaming request;
- A thorough discussion regarding the history of the building, structure or facility
- An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the building, structure or facility is located.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES & APPROVAL PROCESS**

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All requests should be submitted to the City Manager's Office at;

*2 East Bay Street  
Savannah, Georgia 31401  
ATTN: City Manager's Office- Public Property Naming Request*



Questions?  
Contact the Office of the City Manager at (912) 651-6415.

**ARTICLE E. – NAMING AND RENAMING OF PUBLIC PROPERTY, FACILITIES AND  
STREETS.**

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Section 4-1100. - General policy.

As a general policy, the Mayor and Aldermen find that public property should be named after its principal function, location, or historical reference; however, significant community events, organizations or well-known persons with important contributions to the community, state or nation may deserve public recognition, which may occur by way of naming or renaming public rights-of-way or facilities.

Section 4-1101- Naming criteria and requirements.

- (a) Naming or renaming of a public right-of-way or facility shall occur only when the proposed naming or renaming satisfied at least one of the following criteria:
  - (1) It honors and commemorates a noteworthy person associated with the City of Savannah, Chatham County, the State of Georgia or the United States of America;
  - (2) It commemorates local history, places, events or culture;
  - (3) It will strengthen neighborhood identity; or
  - (4) It recognizes native wildlife or natural geographical features.
  
- (b) The following shall not be considered for purposes of naming or renaming:
  - (1) Persons that resided in the City of Savannah for less than 5 years, other than prominent national figures;
  - (2) Names assigned to existing public property within the City or unincorporated Chatham County where duplication of the name is likely to lead to confusion; and
  - (3) Except as set forth in Section 4-1106 of this Article, commercial names where usage of such name would amount to advertising.
  
- (c) Naming requests shall consider:
  - (1) The number of residents and businesses directly affected;
  - (2) Community diversity;
  - (3) The historical significance of preexisting name or location;
  - (4) The appropriateness and compatibility of the request in relation to the existing area;
  - (5) The impact on emergency service delivery; and
  - (6) Continuity and stability.
  
- (d) Requests to name a public right-of-way or facility in honor of a natural person should also consider the following:
  - (1) Absent extraordinary or extenuating circumstances, the proposed honoree shall be deceased;
  - (2) Whether the proposed namesake made a sustained contribution over an appreciable time period, exerted efforts of benefit or significance to local, state or national affairs and/or demonstrated leadership in governmental,

- cultural or historical affairs, humanitarian efforts, or community development;
- (3) Contributions that beneficially changed the nature and characteristics of the community; and
  - (4) Achievement by a native Savannahian of national or international acclaim in a specific field of endeavor that has reflected positively on Savannah.

Section 4-1102. - Naming new facilities or public property.

- (a) All requests to name newly acquired, created or previously unnamed public property shall be made in writing and directed to the attention of the City Manager. Such requests shall include:
  - (1) The precise location and description of the subject property;
  - (2) A thorough discussion regarding the history of the property or surrounding area, as may be applicable;
  - (3) The name, address and contact information of the requestor; and
  - (4) An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the property is located.
- (b) Upon receipt of a property naming request submitted pursuant to this section, the City Manager shall submit the request to the Historic Sites and Monuments Commission. The Commission shall consider the requirements of this Article and submit a recommendation to the City Manager for presentation to the Mayor and Aldermen no later than 120 days after receipt of the request. Recommendations are subject to approval by City Council.

Section 4-1103 – Renaming of public property, facilities or streets.

- (a) All requests to rename public property shall be made in writing and directed to the attention of the City Manager. Such requests shall include:
  - (1) In the instance of a street or roadway:
    - (A) A supporting petition signed by not less than 75 percent of all property owners abutting the public right-of-way;
    - (B) The present official name of the street;
    - (C) The proposed new name;
    - (D) The specific location of the street or roadway;
    - (E) The name, address and telephone number of the person requesting the name change;
    - (F) A statement of reasons supporting the renaming request;
    - (G) A thorough discussion regarding the history of the right-of-way, including all prior names associated therewith; and
    - (H) An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the right-of-way is located.
  - (2) In the instance of a park, playground, trail, recreational area or space:



- (A) A supporting petition signed by not less than 51 percent of all property owners abutting the subject property;
  - (B) The present official name of the property;
  - (C) The proposed new name;
  - (D) The specific location of the property;
  - (E) The name, address and telephone number of the person requesting the name change;
  - (F) A statement of reasons supporting the renaming request;
  - (G) A thorough discussion regarding the history of the property, including all prior names associated therewith; and
  - (H) An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the property is located.
- (3) In the instance of a building, structure or facility:
- (A) The present official name of the building, structure or facility;
  - (B) The proposed new name;
  - (C) The specific location of the property;
  - (D) The name, address and telephone number of the person requesting the name change;
  - (E) A statement of reasons supporting the renaming request;
  - (F) A thorough discussion regarding the history of the building, structure or facility, including all prior names associated therewith; and
  - (G) An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the building, structure or facility is located.
- (4) In the instance of all other public property:
- (A) The present official name of the property;
  - (B) The proposed new name;
  - (C) The specific location of the property;
  - (D) The name, address and telephone number of the person requesting the name change;
  - (E) A statement of reasons supporting the renaming request;
  - (F) A thorough discussion regarding the history of the property, including all prior names associated therewith; and
  - (G) An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the property is located.

Section 4-1104 – Honorary Street Naming Designations.

- (a) Honorary street name designations are intended to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the City. Where deemed consistent with the objectives of this section, the designation will be a temporary assignment of the honorarium and shall be in addition to the official name of an existing right-of-way.

- (b) Requests to affix an honorary designation to a public right-of-way shall be made in writing and directed to the attention of the City Manager. Submissions shall include:
  - (1) Identification of the particular section or block of an existing City street for which the honorary designation is sought.
  - (2) A supporting petition signed by not less than 51 percent of all property owners abutting the subject right-of-way;
  - (3) The present official name of the right-of-way;
  - (4) The proposed honorary designation;
  - (5) The name, address and telephone number of the person requesting the name change;
  - (6) A statement of reasons supporting the honorary naming request, including a discussion of the historical significance, contributions, heroic service or personal sacrifice by the honoree to the City, state or nation;
  - (7) A discussion regarding the history of the property, including all prior names associated therewith; and
  - (8) An endorsement by the current Mayor, an at-large alderman or the alderman representing the district in which the property is located.
- (c) Honorary designations may be bestowed under the following non-exclusive circumstances:
  - (1) Where the proposed namesake made a sustained contribution over an appreciable time period, exerted efforts of benefit or significance to local, state or national affairs and/or demonstrated leadership in governmental, cultural or historical affairs, humanitarian efforts, or community development;
  - (2) Where the proposed namesake made contributions that beneficially changed the nature and characteristics of the community;
  - (3) Where the proposed namesake is a native Savannahian whom achieved national or international acclaim in a specific field of endeavor that has reflected positively on Savannah; or
  - (4) Where the proposed namesake resided in the City for at least 5 years.
- (d) Individual family tributes, commercially concerned and corporate-related recognitions shall not be eligible for honorary designation.
- (e) Roadways under the control of the Federal Highway Administration, Georgia Department of Transportation or Chatham County are not subject to honorary naming.
- (f) Honorary designations shall be limited to one approved designation per City Council member per calendar year. Requests will be reviewed and evaluated in the order in which they are received.
- (g) Upon receipt of a request submitted pursuant to this section, the City Manager shall submit the request to the Historic Sites and Monuments Commission. The Commission shall consider the requirements of this section and submit a recommendation to the City Manager for presentation to the Mayor and Aldermen no later than 120 days after receipt of the request. Recommendations are subject to approval by City Council.

- (h) Requests approved by the Mayor and Aldermen shall be effective for five years from the date of such approval. The City may remove the sign at the end of the five-year period. If requested, the sign may be given to the applicant, honoree, or a family member of the honoree.
- (i) Renewal requests may be submitted; provided, however that they are transmitted no less than 60 days before the termination of the effective period. Renewal requests will not be given priority over pending honorary designation requests, if any.
- (j) Honorary signs may be mounted on the same post as the existing street sign or mounted free standing on a separate post. The City will maintain the sign after installation. Installation of the honorary sign(s) shall be within a reasonable time but no later than 45 days from the date of approval. The City shall replace signs stolen or damaged during the five-year approval period.
- (k) Along with any application submitted, the applicant shall include payment of a non-refundable fee to defray the costs associated with the review, design, fabrication, installation and maintenance of the sign. The fee shall be charged as set forth in the City's annual Revenue Ordinance. All fees will be deposited in the City's General Fund upon receipt. Fees and costs shall not be waived unless the honorary designation is initiated by City Council.

#### Section 4-1105. – Naming Dedication Ceremony

An applicant may request a dedication ceremony at the time application is made to the City Manager. The City Manager, or his designee, shall be responsible for scheduling such ceremony.

#### Section 4-1106. – Donations and Gifts

A donation or gift of land, goods, funding, equipment or other items may constitute a basis upon which to name or rename public property. The donation or gift shall be documented and recorded by the Clerk of Council.

#### Section 4-1107. - Notification of street name changes; publishing and posting of notices.

When the name of a street permanently has been changed pursuant to this Article, the public works administrator shall notify utility companies and interested state and local agencies of the street name change. Notifications may encompass more than one renaming event and may be provided by publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

#### Section 4-1108. - Discontinuance.

The City retains the right to reject, discontinue or abandon any naming that occurred pursuant to this Article when deemed in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of its residents and visitors.



February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

I, Alderman Thomas, the six District Alderman of the City of Savannah, officially endorse the petition to name "Rosedew Park" in the Coffee Bluff Marina area in accordance with the procedures outlined in Section 4-1102 "Naming of New or Unnamed Public Facilities" in the City Code of Ordinances.

Staff will review and formally make a recommendation of action to City Council at a later date.

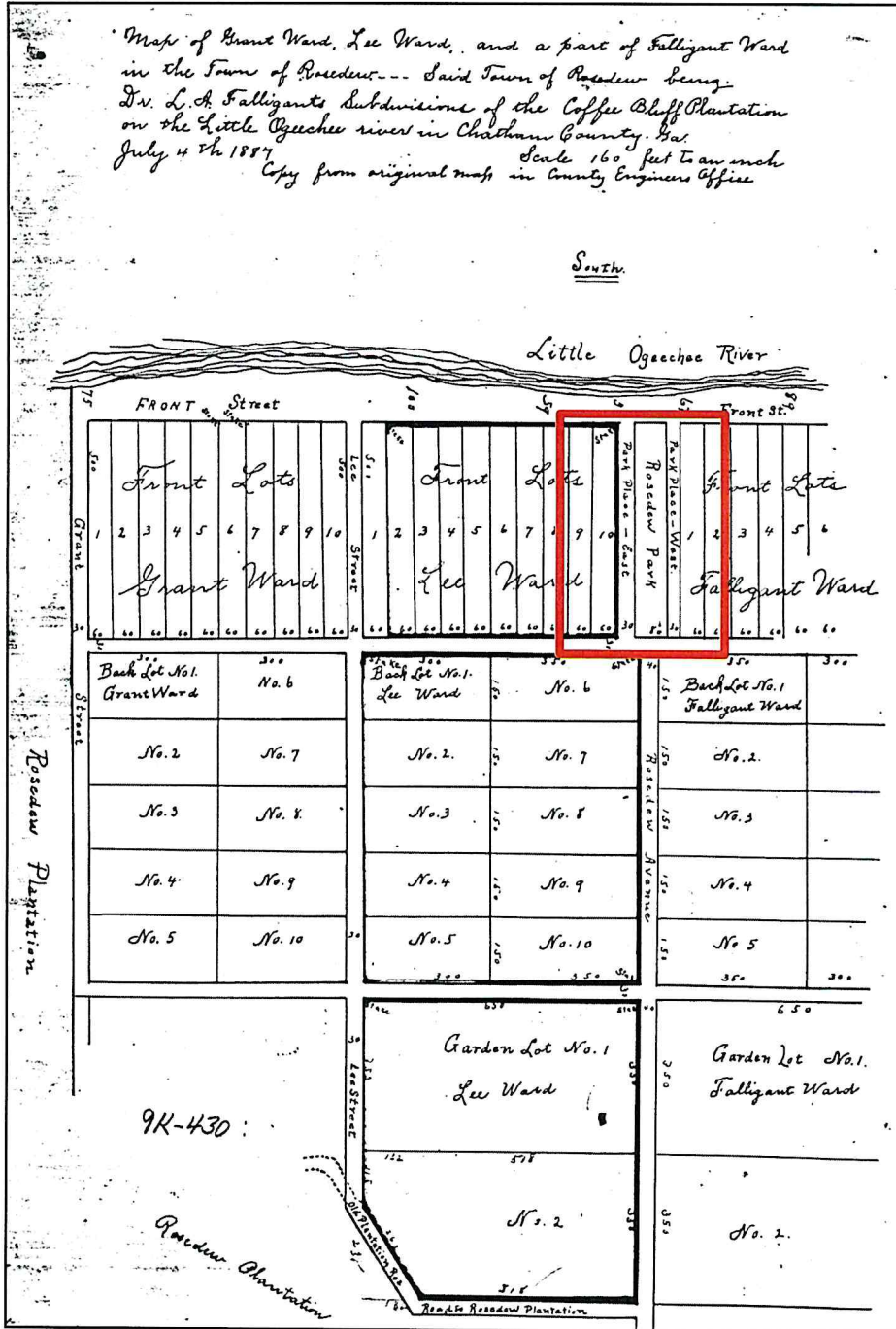
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tony Thomas". The signature is stylized with large loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Alderman Tony Thomas  
6<sup>St</sup> District Alderman  
City of Savannah



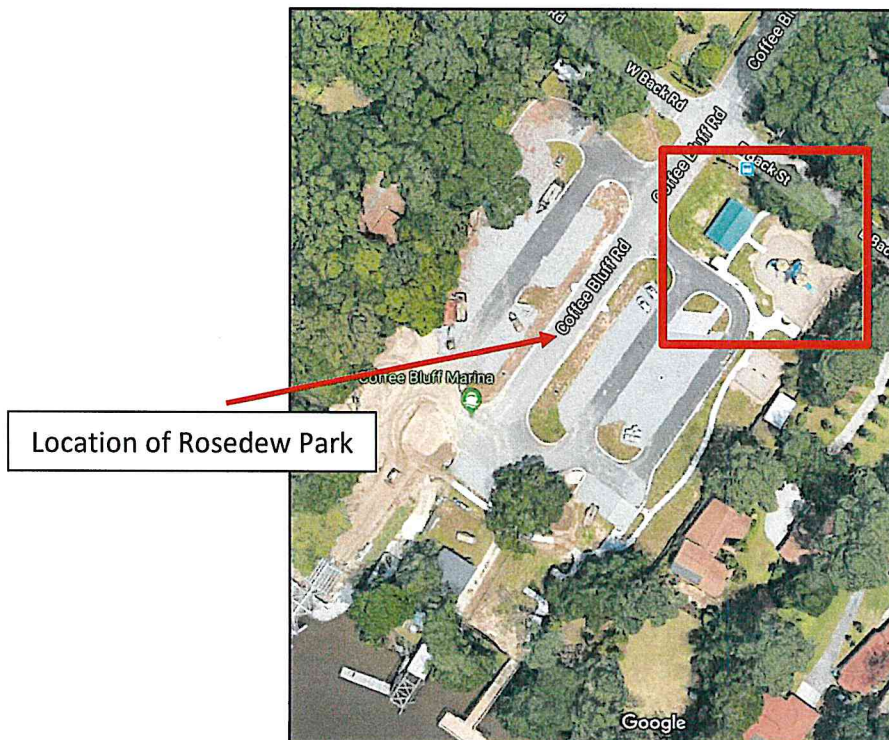
**A Brief History of the Coffee Bluff Marina Property**



"Map of Grant Ward, Lee Ward, and a part of Falligant Ward in the Town of Rosedew... Said Town of Rosedew being Dr. L. A. Falligant's Subdivision of the Coffee Bluff Plantation on the Little Ogeechee river in Chatham County, Ga.," (4 July 1887), 4H-108, Chatham County Engineer's Office.

The addresses now known as 14915 and 14918 Coffee Bluff Road were laid out as part of Dr. L. A. Falligant's subdivision known as the Town of Rosedew (also known as Rose Dhu). The Chatham County Engineer's Office maintains a map from 1887 that shows portions of Rosedew, including Grant Ward, Lee Ward, and Falligant Ward, along the Little Ogeechee River and Front Street (Front Street is now under water). What is now known as Coffee Bluff Road was originally called Rosedew Avenue. At Back Street, Rosedew Avenue hit Rosedew Park and stopped. On either side of the park was a Park Place, Park Place East and Park Place West. Coffee Bluff Road now cuts straight through what was intended as Rosedew Park.

The legal description of 14915 Coffee Bluff Road is Lot 1 Falligant Ward. The legal description of 14918 Coffee Bluff Road is Lot 10 and the west part of Lot 9 Lee Ward, as well as Park Place East. In 2008, the Savannah City Council approved the acquisition of the property (by then known as the Coffee Bluff Marina after development by Rosso Corsa Inc.) to ensure public access to the Forest River (also known as the Little Ogeechee River). The City of Savannah currently maintains these properties as the Coffee Bluff Marina. Within the marina property is the Herbert R. "Herbie" Battise Fishing Pier, and a picnic pavilion and playground indicated in the aerial photograph below.



**Sources:**

"Acquisition of Coffee Bluff Marina Property," Official Proceedings of Savannah City Council (23 October 2008), pages 20-21.

"Coffee Bluff Marina," prepared by Kern-Coleman & Co., LLC for Rosso Corsa Inc. (28 April 2005), City of Savannah Greenscapes Department.

Jim Shirley, City of Savannah Greenscapes Department, to Luciana Spracher, City of Savannah Municipal Archives, telephone conversation (13 December 2018).

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## Joe Shearouse01

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**From:** Gordon Denney  
**Sent:** Friday, January 18, 2019 9:15 AM  
**To:** Joe Shearouse01  
**Subject:** RE: Falligant Park and Rose Dew Pavilion

Joseph,

Good morning. Greenscapes has no issue with this request.

**Gordon D. Denney, PLA**

Director  
Greenscapes Division  
City of Savannah

**From:** Joe Shearouse01  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 16, 2019 4:21 PM  
**To:** Luciana Spracher <LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov>; Barry Baker <BBaker@Savannahga.Gov>; Gordon Denney <GDenney@Savannahga.Gov>  
**Cc:** Marty Johnston <MJohnston01@Savannahga.Gov>  
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Please provide any staff comments or recommendations by February 4<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you,

**Joseph C. Shearouse Jr.**  
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Office 912.651.6401 | Cell 912. 429.4084  
2 East Bay Street, 31401 | Mailing: P.O. Box 1027, 31402





## Joe Shearouse01

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**From:** Luciana Spracher  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 17, 2019 7:50 AM  
**To:** Joe Shearouse01; Barry Baker; Gordon Denney  
**Cc:** Marty Johnston  
**Subject:** RE: Falligant Park and Rose Dew Pavilion

Good morning Joe,

I have no objections to either of these proposals. Please see my prior emails to you for historical background on the subject property and Dr. Louis A. Falligant:

- 12/28/2018, Subject Line "RE: Falligant Ward Park- Coffee Bluff Marina" [regarding Rosedew Park]
- 1/15/2019, Subject Line "FW: Falligant" [regarding Dr. L. A. Falligant]

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thank you, Luciana

**Luciana M. Spracher, C.A.**

Municipal Archives & Records Management Director | Acting Clerk of Council

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## Joe Shearouse01

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**From:** Luciana Spracher  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 15, 2019 12:22 PM  
**To:** Joe Shearouse01  
**Subject:** FW: Falligant

Hi Joe,

Amanda did a great job of pulling together some biographical information for me on Dr. Louis A. Falligant (see her online resources in the email below). In addition to those she provided, you can also keyword search "falligant" in those on our own website here:

[A History of the City Government of Savannah, Ga., from 1790 to 1901](#)

Compiled from Official Records by Thomas Gamble, Jr., Secretary to the Mayor, Under Direction of the City Council, 1900.

This provides a general overview history of City government and Falligant is mentioned a few times as an Alderman.

[Index of Mayors and Aldermen, 1790-2012](#)

[City of Savannah Administrations, 1790-2012](#)

Prepared by the City of Savannah, Research Library & Municipal Archives

(the top link takes you to an alphabetical list by Alderman's name; the second to a chronological listing by administration)

**Annual Reports of the Mayor of Savannah**

<http://dlg.galileo.usg.edu/savannahmayor/date.php>

I searched 1855-1903 and years that I had relevant hits were 1880, 1889, 1890, 1895, 1897, 1898, 1902, 1903

Falligant was definitely an influential local leader, particularly as it relates to medicine and as a City servant/elected official. Here is a summary of his City service:

City Health Officer:

- 1862-1863

City of Savannah Alderman:

- January 21, 1889 - January 26, 1891 (Vice Chairman of Council 1889-1890)
- January 28, 1895 - February 1, 1897

As Alderman:

- served as a Sanitary Commissioner 1895-1896
- 1889: served on committees on Assessments, City Lots, Drainage, Health & Cemetery
- 1890: served on committees on City Lots, Drainage
- 1895: served on committees on Drainage, Health & Cemetery, Streets & Lanes
- On the Drainage Committee, addressed house drainage issues

Falligant Ward (bounded by Anderson on the north, Bull on the east, 34<sup>th</sup> on the south, and Barnard on the west) starts appearing in the 1897 annual report with a lot of activity (it was laid out on February 24, 1886; see <http://www.savannahga.gov/DocumentCenter/View/8819/SavannahCityCode1888?bidId=>, City Code 1888 page 301), and in the 1898 report it is mentioned that Dr. Falligant has dedicated property in Barney and Gaillard wards to the

City. The 1902 and 1903 annual reports make mention of property transactions between Falligant and the City. It is apparent that Falligant was a very large property owner within the City limits and in the area where the City was expanding at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

So, this is just a quick rundown of our research. If you need something formal, let me know and give me a deadline.  
Thanks, Luciana

**Luciana M. Spracher, C.A.**

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**From:** Amanda Williams08

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 09, 2019 5:17 PM

**To:** Luciana Spracher <[LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov](mailto:LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Falligant

Google Books led me to *A History of Savannah and South Georgia, Volume 2* pages 679-681. It features a feature a great biographical sketch of Dr. LA Falligant (Louis Alexander). He was born in Augusta in 1836 and died at his home in Savannah July 5, 1903. His wife was Rosa Oliver (Brown) Falligant. He had 9 brothers and sisters, which included Judge Robert Falligant. Dr. LA Falligant served as an Alderman of Savannah, City Health Officer and considered a hero in Savannah during the Yellow Fever epidemic.

The following list represents some online info I found on Dr. LA Falligant:

- The website Find a Grave has a photo of Dr. LA Falligant's headstone <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/66960494/louis-alexander-falligant>
- Google Books *A History of Savannah and South Georgia, Volume 2* section on Dr. LA Falligant <https://books.google.com/books?id=zv9HAQAAMAAJ&pg=PA681&lpg=PA681&dq=dr.+LA+Falligant&source=bl&ots=fzS8L7GX87&sig=7775CDI6qME5RwsM6fEqGGnmNfk&hl=en&sa=X&ved=2ahUKewitlqOO1OHfAhUQUt8KHUQSC0EQ6AEwBHoECAUQAQ#v=onepage&q=dr.%20LA%20Falligant&f=false>
- Dr. Falligant is considered a father of Georgia's medical homeopathy <http://www.homeoint.org/history/king/1-24.htm>
- In 1882, Dr. Falligant served on Savannah's Board of Sanitary Commissioners [http://gachatham.eppygen.org/Savannah Gov/Savannah Leaders 1882.htm](http://gachatham.eppygen.org/Savannah%20Gov/Savannah%20Leaders%201882.htm)

I'll search for some more things tomorrow.

**From:** Luciana Spracher

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 09, 2019 3:31 PM

**To:** Amanda Williams08 <[AWilliams08@Savannahga.Gov](mailto:AWilliams08@Savannahga.Gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Falligant

Thank you

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**From:** Amanda Williams08  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 09, 2019 3:28 PM  
**To:** Luciana Spracher <[LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov](mailto:LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Falligant

Sure, I'll send you anything that I can find on Dr. LA Falligant.

**From:** Luciana Spracher  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 09, 2019 3:26 PM  
**To:** Amanda Williams08 <[AWilliams08@Savannahga.Gov](mailto:AWilliams08@Savannahga.Gov)>  
**Subject:** Falligant

Hi Amanda,

Can you do some research for me online and see what you can track down on the man identified in the attached map from 1887 (Dr. LA Falligant)? I'm looking for biographical information on him, obits, newspaper articles, etc., that might tell us something about what kind of person he was. Anything you can find would be helpful. If you are unsuccessful online, perhaps you can reach out to Sharen Lee at Bull Street.

Thanks, Luciana

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## Joe Shearouse01

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**From:** Joe Shearouse01  
**Sent:** Monday, January 7, 2019 11:54 AM  
**To:** Tony Thomas  
**Subject:** FW: Falligant Ward Park- Coffee Bluff Marina  
**Attachments:** CoffeeBluffMarinaSummary\_2018-12-28.pdf

Alderman Thomas,

Please see the attached brief from Municipal Archives on the proposed Falligant Ward Park.

Let's discuss after you have an opportunity to review the attached information.

Thanks

**From:** Luciana Spracher  
**Sent:** Friday, December 28, 2018 5:01 PM  
**To:** Joe Shearouse01 <JShearouse01@Savannahga.Gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Falligant Ward Park- Coffee Bluff Marina

Hi Joe,

Attached, please find a brief summary of the history of the Coffee Bluff Marina, including the corner in question. Based on our research and my discussions with Greenscapes staff I am making the following two recommendations:

1. Dr. L. A. Falligant did set aside park space in the middle of his subdivision. Unfortunately, that park has since been taken over by Coffee Bluff Road and the existing parking for the marina. The park area that is now under consideration for naming though is just adjacent to the original park space, and I recommend honoring Falligant's original park name, "Rosedew Park." If the use of the Falligant name is extremely important (though it is in the ward there), I would recommend Rosedew-Falligant Park or naming the picnic pavilion Falligant Pavillion.
2. Jim Shirley in Greenscapes said that the picnic pavilion is considered part of the park with the playground, so I would encourage that the larger park area be named. So, perhaps Rosedew Park with the Falligant Pavillion in it.

Let me know if you have any additional questions.

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**From:** Joe Shearouse01  
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**To:** Luciana Spracher <[LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov](mailto:LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Falligant Ward Park- Coffee Bluff Marina

Lists two addresses is 14918 or 14915 Coffee Bluff Road

Map attached.

**From:** Joe Shearouse01  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 28, 2018 12:44 PM  
**To:** Luciana Spracher <[LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov](mailto:LSpracher@Savannahga.Gov)>  
**Subject:** Falligant Ward Park- Coffee Bluff Marina

Luciana,

Heath forwarded me a request from Alderman Thomas to begin working on naming an unnamed park within the Coffee Bluff Marina property to Falligant Ward Park.

Alderman Thomas believes the land was donated to the City by the Fallignat family. I was hoping you may be able to find some evidence of that fact.

Alot going on right now, so it would be great if you could look into it by end of the year, maybe January 1.

Let me know if that's doable.

Thanks,

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