

GUIDELINES FOR NW PIONEER PARK HONORED PIONEER PLAQUES

Lincoln Park Main Street

Purpose

The purpose of these criteria is to establish a systematic and consistent approach for the NW Pioneer Park Honored Pioneer Plaques.

Objectives

- Ensure that the plaques are easily identified and located.
- Ensure that the reputation and background of the individual names given are consistent with the values and character of Lincoln Park.
- Encourage Lincoln Park community participation in the nominations of community members for consideration of being honored with a plaque at Pioneer Park.
- Advance the reputation of the Historic Lincoln Park community and showcase/highlight the history and contributions of its residents as well as increase awareness of this rich heritage.

Criteria

The practice of the City of Fort Pierce is to select residence from the Lincoln Park community to be honored with plaques at the entrance of NW Pioneer Park. This is through an adopted process utilizing the above objectives, emphasizing community values and character, local and national history, geography, the environment and civics. Therefore, the following criteria shall be used in determining the appropriateness of the nomination.

- A historical figure, or other instance of historical or cultural significance;
- Local leaders or unsung heroes, both past and present;
- An individual, living or deceased [a] who has made a significant impact in the community through their civic minded involvement and activities that influenced the community; [b] Contributed to the educational and social development of youth; [c] Going above and beyond of what is required; and [d] Longevity in the community and giving of one's time and talent.
- An individual, living or deceased, who has contributed outstanding civic service to the community;

Inclusion of Names for Bronze Plaques from Lincoln Park Community

The City started this process of naming the Northwest Pioneer Park in 1981. Since that time, the park has been re-dedicated and it is the City's wish to include names of individuals from the Lincoln Park community who have impact the development and progression of the community to be in bronzed plaque highlighting their accomplishments and life's work. It is the intent of the City and Lincoln Park Main Street to maintain consistency with these guidelines. Tradition and continuity of individual names and community identification are important community values. Each nomination to include names in bronze plaque must meet the criteria of this policy, but meeting all criteria does not ensure name inclusion on a plaque.

Procedures

The steps to nominate members from the Lincoln Park community to be considered for inclusion of their name, life's/community work to be in bronzed plaque at Pioneer Park include but not limited to:

1. An open call for submissions by Lincoln Park Main Street including a deadline for submission;
2. A completed "Pioneer Park Nomination Form" submitted to Lincoln Park Main Street for each nomination by any citizen, group, or organization;
3. Submissions vetted by the Lincoln Park Main Street Pioneer Park Committee, including all facts and backgrounds listed on the nomination form plus any other research deemed appropriate;
4. Lincoln Park Main Street Pioneer Park Committee review all nominations and verify information is accurate;
5. All vetted submissions presented to the Fort Pierce Commissioners for review with notes from the research;
6. Commissioners discuss these submissions during a Conference Agenda meeting;
7. Commissioners select the name by vote at a Commission Meeting.