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From: Judy Carter via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 9:57 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163640: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Good Morning, I am writing as a...

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- Name: Judy Carter
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- Phone Number: 7034751136
- Email: JudyLiz@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Good Morning, I am writing as a citizen of the City of Alexandria for over 30 years in support of the proposed name for the new waterfront park at the end of King Street. I fully support the name King Street Waterfront Park. The name clearly identifies where the park is located and is easy to remember. Thank you for all of the hard work that went into making this new park a reality.

Judy Carter
8 West Linden Street
Alexandria

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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From: harry mahon via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 10, 2018 4:10 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163417: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council ICW: December 11. 2018 Docket Item:...

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- Name: harry mahon
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
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- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: ICW: December 11. 2018 Docket Item: 19-1468 Consideration of the Recommendation from the City Council Naming Committee to Combine the Interim King Street Park...

Hello Ms Mayor, Mr Vice-Mayor and Council Members - I have reviewed the upcoming Docket item relating to the Recommendation from the City Council Naming Committee to Combine the Interim King Street Park. I note that the Naming Committee states: "The members recognized that many in the community supported naming the park after Col. Fitzgerald but spoke to the difficulty of reconciling his extensive contributions to America and Alexandria with his ownership of enslaved persons. The members also recognized that most survey respondents preferred a variety of other names for the new park. " This rationale raises two issue in my mind:

- 1) The reference to slave ownership as criteria for naming public property. Is this a City policy? If so, is there an initiative to change the names of existing City property with names of Founding Fathers that were slave holders, such as Madison, Jefferson, Washington, Franklin, Henry and Lee? If this is not a City policy, why is that criteria being applied in this case?
- 2)The online survey shows 1443 respondents. Of those that had a name suggestion (1219 out of the 1443), 56% preferred Fitzgerald Park (or some derivation including the Fitzgerald name). So, it seems clear that the preference as shown in this survey is Fitzgerald. The question then is, why is the City asking for public input if it is not going to be a factor in the decision?

Thanks for your consideration and service to the City.

- Expected Response Date: Saturday, December 15

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