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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY  
TAMPA, FLORIDA 33601**

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**BOARD POLICY - SECTION NUMBER: 01.12.00.00**

**SUBJECT:** NAMING OF COUNTY-OWNED BUILDINGS, PARKS, AND PROPERTY  
**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 7, 2003  
**SUPERSEDES:** October 29, 1992

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**Purpose:**

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the naming of county-owned facilities.

**Policy:**

It is the policy of the Board of County Commissioners that county-owned facilities, buildings, parks and other properties will be given names that easily identify their functions. The names should be short, easy to remember by county residents and include a geographic designator term in the name (i.e., West Tampa Neighborhood Service Center, Upper Tampa Bay Park).

From time to time, the Board of County Commissioners may depart from the general policy and, through a vote by the majority of its members, name a particular facility in honor of a noteworthy individual (past or present). However, no building, facility or park shall be named for a sitting County Commissioner. No building, facility or park shall be named for a current county employee unless a super-majority vote of five (5) finds an exception must be made and approves such a designation.

**Responsibility:**

It is the responsibility of the County Administrator to have his Communications Department notify the public of the need to name a facility as part of the Public Siting process and to provide the BOCC with all names submitted by the citizens and/or by county staff. The BOCC reserves the exclusive right to approve the naming of all county facilities, and may also, on their own motion, or upon approval of the recommendation of the County Administrator, add a name in honor of a particular individual, to a present facility's geographic designation.

**Approved By:** Board of County Commissioners  
**Approval Date:** May 7, 2003