

**CITY OF TIGARD, OREGON**  
**TIGARD CITY COUNCIL**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 12-52**

A RESOLUTION NAMING THE SUMMER CREEK PROPERTY AS "DIRKSEN NATURE PARK" IN HONOR OF TIGARD MAYOR CRAIG DIRKSEN

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WHEREAS, the City through Resolution No. 99-37 (Exhibit A), established a policy on placing memorials in city park facilities, city-owned property, and for the naming of buildings and park properties; and

WHEREAS, Craig Dirksen has served as the mayor of the City of Tigard since January 2004 and his City of Tigard service will conclude December 31, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dirksen has been a very active proponent for the acquisition of city parks and open spaces for Tigard citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dirksen was a member of the Parks Board from April 1992 – June 1993; and

WHEREAS, the city's park and open space acreage grew from 301 acres to 460 acres, a 53-percent increase, during the time he served on the council and as mayor; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dirksen supported and advocated for the 2010 park and open space bond measure; and

WHEREAS, the bond measure was successful and has enabled the city to purchase nearly 110 acres of parks and open space since November 2010; and

WHEREAS, the city acquired Summer Creek property, also known as the Fowler property, using the park bond funds and other funding sources; and

WHEREAS, the 48-acre property, bordered by Fowler Middle School, Tiedeman Avenue and Tigard Street, will soon become Tigard's largest nature park and second largest city park; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to honor Mayor Dirksen's contributions to the City of Tigard; and

WHEREAS, the naming of this park would be a fitting tribute to Mayor Dirksen and his efforts to make Tigard "A Place to Call Home."

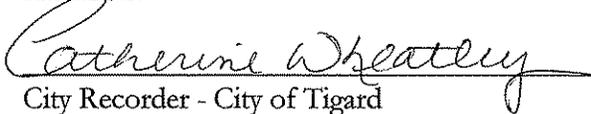
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tigard City Council that:

SECTION 1: The Summer Creek property shall be named Dirksen Nature Park in honor of Tigard Mayor Craig Dirksen.

SECTION 2: This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED: This 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2012.

ATTEST:

  
Catherine Wheatley  
City Recorder - City of Tigard

  
Hutchins E. Bueh  
Council President - City of Tigard