

Resolution #4-R-25
A Resolution to Rename Appleton Memorial Park to Veteran's Memorial Park

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Referred To: Parks & Recreation Committee

WHEREAS, Appleton Memorial Park is a prominent public space serving the residents of Appleton and surrounding communities, providing opportunities for recreation, reflection, and community gatherings; and

WHEREAS, the City of Appleton acknowledges and honors the service and sacrifice of United States military veterans who have served our country with courage, dedication, and selflessness; and

WHEREAS, community members and local veterans' organizations have expressed strong interest in establishing a permanent and visible tribute to veterans within the city; and

WHEREAS, renaming Appleton Memorial Park to Veteran's Memorial Park would serve as a lasting symbol of gratitude and respect, and would reinforce the park's role as a place of remembrance, civic pride, and historical reflection; and

WHEREAS, the current Veteran's Park will be renamed; and

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Department will develop such process and present it for approval by the Parks & Recreation Committee, and

WHEREAS, the proposed name change has been reviewed and supported by the Appleton Parks & Recreation Department and the Mayor;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Appleton that:

1. Appleton Memorial Park shall henceforth be renamed Veteran's Memorial Park, effective [*date*].
2. All official city documents, signage, maps, and promotional materials shall be updated accordingly.
3. A plan to relocate select existing memorials will be developed by staff in consultation with community organizations and committees of jurisdiction.
4. A plan to add memorials for recent conflicts, that currently do not exist, be developed.
5. The City will collaborate with local veterans' groups and community stakeholders to commemorate the renaming with a dedication ceremony and appropriate memorial features.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Appleton reaffirms its ongoing commitment to honoring veterans and preserving their legacy for future generations.