



# City of Lawton

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## Legislation Text

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**ITEM TITLE:**

Consider naming the drive that leads to Eastside Park “Keith Jackson Parkway” after former Councilmember Keith Jackson in honor of his work with youth sports and his years serving on City Council.

**INITIATOR:** Dewayne Burk, Deputy City Manager

**STAFF INFORMATION SOURCE:** Dewayne Burk, Deputy City Manager

**BACKGROUND:** Former Councilmember Keith Jackson is a born and raised Lawtonian and local business owner. He was the longest serving Councilmember for the City of Lawton, serving for a total of 22 years. His tenure as councilman began with his election as the Ward 4 Councilman and then in Ward 2 after his home became part of Ward 2 due to redistricting. Former Councilmember Jackson has always been passionate about youth sports, and during his time on City Council, was instrumental in the creation of the Eastside Park to include the sports complexes located within Eastside Park and the Grandview Sports Complex located on the westside. Mr. Jackson further demonstrated his dedication to both adult and youth sports with 10 years as a Deputy State Commissioner for the Amateur Softball Association. In recognition of Mr. Jackson’s service and commitment, he was inducted into the Oklahoma Softball Hall of Fame for Meritorious Service. Former Councilmember Jackson’s most recent accomplishment occurred in 2015, where he played a major role in spearheading the City of Lawton’s Freedom Festival. Thus, in recognition of his lifelong investment in the Lawton-Fort Sill community along with his dedication to youth sports, the City of Lawton would like to honor former Councilmember Keith Jackson by officially naming the entrance drive of the Eastside Park as “Keith Jackson Parkway.” This recommendation was approved on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

**EXHIBIT:** Map of Proposed “Keith Jackson Parkway”

**KEY ISSUES:** N/A

**FUNDING SOURCE:** N/A

**STAFF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:** Authorize the naming of the entrance drive of the Eastside Park as “Keith Jackson Parkway” in honor of former longtime Councilman Keith Jackson for his dedication and service to the City of Lawton and to the city’s youth sports programs.