

# Building and Place Name Advisory Committee Renaming Request Evaluation Process

## Step 1. Renaming request

Request to rename submitted to Architectural Naming Committee (ANC)

- Any community member may submit a renaming request for evaluation
- In some cases, appropriate for ANC to initiate its own process
- If request meets threshold for full renaming evaluation (as indicated below), ANC initiates full renaming analysis
- Submission requirements:
  - Narrative explaining basis for renaming request
  - Citation to references
  - Attachments to support renaming request

## Step 2. Preliminary evaluation of renaming request by ANC sub-committee

**Criteria to consider:** Considering contemporary OSU values, does sufficient documentation exist to demonstrate that the actions or viewpoints of the individual for whom a building or place is named may be inconsistent with OSU's mission to create an inclusive diverse, and equitable educational environment?

**Yes**

ANC sub-committee evaluates request to determine whether to advance to full renaming analysis

- Outcome:
  - Written sub-committee report recommending ANC renaming evaluation
- Process to provide:
  - Transparency in process; written report posted for review

**No**

ANC sub-committee does not advance request to full renaming analysis

- Outcome:
  - Written communication on rationale for decision
- Process to provide:
  - Transparency in process
  - Feedback to requestor where appropriate

## Step 3. Full evaluation of renaming request by full ANC

**Criteria to consider:** Was the "context" of an individual's life/legacy inconsistent with OSU's contemporary mission and values? "Context" is evaluated by (1) actions v. viewpoint; (2) public v. private persona; (3) progression of an individual's viewpoints and life as a whole; (4) whether an individual's actions and viewpoints corresponded with OSU's mission and OSU's and society's values at the time; and (5) how the OSU community engages with the "context" of an individual's life

**Yes**

Full ANC makes recommendation to President to rename

- Outcome:
  - Written report on analysis and recommendation to President on the renaming evaluation request
- Process to provide:
  - ANC conducts vote on renaming request
  - Engagement with content-area experts
  - Community engagement and outreach; transparency in process
  - Permanent education at building or place

**No**

Full ANC committee does not make recommendation to President to rename

- Outcome:
  - Written report on analysis and recommendation on the renaming evaluation request
- Process to provide:
  - ANC conducts vote on renaming
  - Community engagement and outreach
  - Transparency in process
  - Permanent education at building or place