

CITY OF NEWPORT

ORDINANCE NO. 2137

**AN ORDINANCE NAMING THE PIANO REHEARSAL ROOM
AT THE NEWPORT PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
TO THE RAMONA MARTIN PIANO REHEARSAL ROOM**

Findings:

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.35 of the Newport Municipal Code provides that the Newport City Council may, by resolution, initiate a public hearings process to consider whether or not it is in the public interest to rename a public place; and

WHEREAS, the City Council took such a step on July 16, 2018, with Resolution No. 3816, proposing that the Piano Rehearsal Room at the Newport Performing Arts Center be named to honor Ramona Martin; and

WHEREAS, the Newport Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing on August 13, 2018, at which it considered the factors outlined in Chapter 2.35 for renaming a public place, including whether or not the individual to be honored has made significant contributions to the betterment of the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, after providing an opportunity for public testimony, the Planning Commission concluded that Ramona Martin's artistic contributions to the City of Newport and Lincoln County through her musical involvement at the Performing Arts Center and other venues in the area, and her tireless dedication and commitment to the arts, when taken as a whole, constitute a significant contribution to the betterment of the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Newport City Council held a public hearing on August 20, 2018 to consider whether or not the naming proposal is in the best interest of the City in light of the Planning Commission's recommendation, public testimony, and other information in the record; and

WHEREAS, after due consideration, the City Council determined that the naming proposal is in the best interest of the City as a whole; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council was provided in the August 10, 2018 and August 17, 2018 editions of the News Times in the manner required under NMC Chapter 2.35.

Based on these findings,

THE CITY OF NEWPORT ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The piano rehearsal room at the Newport Performing Arts Center, is hereby named the "Ramona Martin Piano Rehearsal Room."

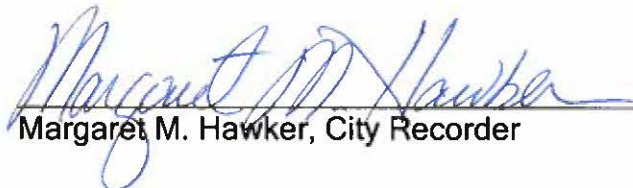
Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect once a certificate of occupancy is issued for the piano rehearsal room.

Date adopted and read by title only: August 20, 2018.

Signed by the Mayor on August 21, 2018.


Sandra N. Roumagoux, Mayor

ATTEST:


Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder

Approved as to form:


Steven E. Rich, City Attorney