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1	Please consider keeping the name of the Menlo Park community campus on Terminal Onetta Harris Community Center. Thank you!	2/17/2023	Online feedback form
2	Would love to see it named after a member of the community or the neighborhood (Belle Haven). Not sure why it is no longer called "Onetta Harris" so if there is a compelling reason not to call it by its former name, that should be explained...thanks!	2/18/2023	Online feedback form
3	Yes I do keep the name Onetta Harris Center	2/22/2023	Online feedback form
4	The center should remain named after Onetta Harris, the woman who did so much for this community and whose family still continues to do so. Meta can donate and beautify without gentrifying.	2/23/2023	Online feedback form
5	Growing up in Menlo Park has been a joy and I would be saddened to see the deterioration of such meaningful places to be deduced down to a foreign company that really don't understand the natives of this precious town. Leave them as is. You've already uprooted everything else that was. I thought the intention was to be an ally and not a hostile takeover.	2/23/2023	Online feedback form
6	It's fine as Onetta Harris Community Center. There's already been a hostile takeover on our community and we were ran out. We can at least keep some history as we know. I was born and raised in East Menlo Park and the Onetta Harris Community Center was the one place I felt safe at. They provided a chance for our local children and adults to come and be a family all while embracing our values. Please keep the name. The rest of our culture has been taken.	2/23/2023	Online feedback form
7	Do not rename the Onetta Harris Center. Onetta Harris has a rich legacy that newcomers should learn about and the descendant community as well as the greater community should be proud of. Listen to the people. We do not want a new name. We want our history to be cherished and we want educational and economic opportunities in Menlo Park specifically for African Americans, descendants of Us chattel slavery. At least 11.5% of construction workers working on this project should be from the descendant community of Menlo Park.	2/23/2023	Online feedback form
8	Leave it as is!! Meta and big tech takes so much from the community already	2/23/2023	Online feedback form
9	Absolutely! You cannot say you care about equity and belonging yet colonize our spaces. (Facebook). Be a part of the community, stop trying to erase the locals.	2/23/2023	Online feedback form
10	Do not rename the center! This has cultural value that can't be replaced!	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
11	Why would we change the name when it already has one? There is history behind that name and we as a community should be honoring it, not changing it.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
12	I move to Menlo Park in 1964... I attended Bellhaven elementary School "OnettaHarris was our voice at a time when African Americans were in that community of Menlo Park the Belhaven district... Onetta Harris was a voice for our community and she thrived on education for us and that's the reason why I have a 4.0 GPA education and respect what' was instilled in me at a very young age...Which it's better than the education that the children receive today we are not trying to change the history of that Community with these new technology names that has nothing to do with the pioneers of our community community. Thank You!!!	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
13	Do NOT rename the Onetta Harris Center.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
14	Will the new campus have a portion named after Onetta Harris? There's 40 years of history why it was renamed.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
15	Do not change the Menlo park culture	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
16	There should be no name change. It's insensitive and offensive to the community.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
17	It should remain named after Onetta Harris.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
18	Maintaining the name is important for the community because it is part of the history of its community. The face of the community is so different and many of us who have been here 30 years or more feel that we are being erased. America has a history of erasing communities and making them what they want. The people who have moved into the community should forever remember and honor the history of this community. Please keep the name and let the new community members learn who Onetta Harris was and what she stood for and why she was so important to the community.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
19	Why are we renaming the Onetta Harris Community Center? There is no need. If a place is named in honor of someone, you don't just take that honor away. In the one month a year that you honor black history, Menlo Park feels the need to take it away?	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
20	Leave it Onetta Harris	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
21	After everything else in Menlo Park that has been taken over... families pushed out of their homes that they have lived in for decades.. raised children and grandchildren and great grandchildren.. pushed out.. Please at least keep the name the same so we can still have some piece of us left there	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
22	Do not rename the onetta Harris center it already has a name.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
23	Yes, Keep Onetta Harris name. Let's be respectful of placemaking. You've ignored Belle Haven too Long!	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
24	I implore you to keep the legacy, and name "Onetta Harris." Changing the name would dishonor the joy and history that individuals and multi-generational families feel when they say "Onetta Harris". To change the name would erase the history.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
25	It has already been named and must remain as such for historical significance. The Onetta Harris Community Center.	2/24/2023	Online feedback form
26	Don't erase history by changing the name. Leave Onetta Harris center alone. Go Roadrunners!	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
27	I have had many 1st time experiences at the ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER location although much of its history has already been stripped in the demolition of the original building. ...changing the name to anything other than the ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER would completely erase every fabric of my childhood...teenage... young adult and adult life experiences and a huge part of my connection to the community. This place should have been a public landmark but since we've been robbed of saving the original building .. please lets not go as far as taking away its name and it's significance to the generations of the black community of the past and their forthcoming offspring. There's not enough words to describe the injustice renaming ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER would be for the all generations of the community.	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
28	It is egregious for a corporation to remove the family name , community landmark name to reflect the removal of already marginalized community.	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
29	I am writing on behalf of the Raging Grannies. We do not want to see any name change that would erase African American history	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
30	I think the campus already has a named, and people should not be trying to find it a name/ rebrand it. It's name belongs to crucial African American history, East Palo Alto history, and just brown people struggle that the little things we have get taken away/ re branded	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
31	Why are you doing this changing the name? It's okay to remodel the area but the name should stay there is no need for that gentrification where it was a safe haven zone for poor black minorities and others living near in our community that will always remember that name even though it looks different from remodeling the name needs to stay remain the same. What is wrong with the current same name? You need to STOP TRYING TO ERASE OUR COMMUNITY HISTORY	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
32	I grew up in East Menlo Park. I attended Belle Haven Elementary K-8. The ONETTA HARRIS Community Center does not need to be renamed!!!! Stop letting META dollars influence the erasure of our community.	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
33	Please do not change the Onetta Harris Center name! Please don't change the name any race African-American history in the East, Menlo Park, and East Palo Alto communities that Mrs Harris loved and worked so hard to make a better place.	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
34	The name should remain the same. Onetta Harris means a lot to the community and members . It's our history .	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
35	Please do not rename the Onetta Harris Community Center.	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
36	Onetta Harris Center	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
37	I remember Mrs Harris and her legacy remains alive. Keep Her Name!!!!	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
38	can we just please keep something African Americans always seem to have to let go of things that wasn't easy to come by in the first place. Please do not change our history O Netta Harris center. . Please leave it the same.	2/25/2023	Online feedback form
39	Please leave the name as is	2/26/2023	Online feedback form
40	I oppose the renaming of the Onetta Harris Community Center. This center has been the symbol of community pride and cultural awareness for decades. Onetta Harris worked relentlessly to bring change to this community. She deserves and this community deserves to continue to have this memorial preserved. It has been a sense of pride for generations. What is the purpose of renaming this center to some nondescript name that has no purpose in the enrichment of the community? Can you please consider the historical significance of this name and preserve dignity and respect in this community?	2/26/2023	Online feedback form
41	My comment recalls a great decision that the Menlo Park City Council made to listen to residents and neighbors to name a Belle Haven park after WWII Naval Veteran and hero Karl Clark. I would expect no less for Onetta Harris that a vigorous conversation and deep listening take place to remember and celebrate a resident who gave so much to their neighbors.	2/26/2023	Online feedback form
42	I don't feel that you should change the name of Kelly Park. This recreation center holds so much history, heritage and culture for all of us that grew up in Menlo Park and East Palo Alto.	2/26/2023	Online feedback form
43	Leave the name the same. Onetta Harris, she was a good woman, cared about the community. Every one loved her.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
44	Please don't change the name of the O'Netta Harris Center!	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
45	Onetta Harris Center. Why would you change the name? Please check your bias and revisit equity, inclusion and diversity!!!!	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
46	LEAVE IT AS IS. [profanity redacted] GENTRIFICATION	2/27/2023	Online feedback form

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47	Keep Onetta Harris, Onetta Harris!! The center is a long standing pillar in the community and I have attended events and activities there from elementary school to an adult in my late 20's. Don't erase our culture, our visibility and our community spaces that reflect the community who have been and still remains on Menlo Park	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
48	Please keep the name as the Onetta Harris Community Center. It is important to keep longevity and history alive in our community.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
49	Onetta Harris Center already has a name. Our community will not tolerate the erasure of African American culture in Menlo Park.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
50	Keep the name that Onetta Harris Community Center it had. It's enough for the this side of Menlo Park to have all of its activities closed to the low income community. These children didn't have the pool, ballet, basketball, plus other activities that were given at a lower cost for the community. Most of the activities were not replaced in a different place for the same price. This was three years that the children didn't have activities to do. It is amazing that the center is going to be new and have all of these activities again but will they still have opportunities for low income families.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
51	Do Not Rename the Onetta Harris Center You will be erasing a culture history icon	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
52	Onetta Harris already has a name and if renamed will be erasing the African American cultural presence that many of us grew up with. It is completely inappropriate to come into a community and try to erase that history. There is already constant gentrification in our area and many of our longtime community members have suffered from displacement. Please keep the name as it is.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
53	You know, I've for a very long heard how much "long timers" for Menlo Park (and neighboring city) how much they desire to maintain your city's character and more. I won't discuss depth of argument but it's mostly due to seniority/longtimeness/however you describe it. To say it's just a feeling is one thing but I genuinely feel most people would agree that Menlo Park and other cities have succeeded: population isn't exploding, no high density housing, single family homes are the only acceptable housing, preserve old street names, etc. Hoorah! However Im here humbly spending my energy to tell you that this attempt of changing a buildings name, especially onetta harris, is blatantly against what presumably everyone in your city strives for: preserving what's already there and not changing it. It seems Menlo Park rightfully pays homage/respects/acknowledges/prompts names by naming streets, community buildings, schools, city itself and so forth. And that's a short way of describing my confusion but here's the one liner: why in the world are you trying to changing a piece of this city's character that's heavily related to the low income side of Menlo Park? Seriously, WHY IN THE WORLD ARE YOU TRYING TO CHANGE A PIECE OF THE CITY'S CHARACTER THATS HEAVILY RELATED TO THE LOW INCOME SIDE OF MENLO PARK? Ah. Who knows right? Im no Socrates but sometimes I can spend 2 minutes of energy to think of some ideas: 1) Menlo Park don't care about low income side of community 2) Menlo Park hypocritically will change a part of a city's character however it benefits the people who ACTUALLY have money for the city (or just non low-income) Either way you all should be ashamed for considering changing the name. Shame for your blatantly hypocrisy in preserving the character of Menlo Park. Bur hey, it's just the low income historical influence on your city's character right? Who cares!	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
54	Mrs. Onetta Harris was a staple in the Menlo Park community. Everyone adored, loved and respected her. Mrs. Harris the belt of the community that you put on your pants, keeping and holding us all together. Please stop trying to erase our black community leader's and educate those who are unaware of her impact in the Menlo Park community. When you visit or drive by the center or just simply passing through the city, Onetta Harris Community Center always put a smile on your face and your heart.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
55	Keep Onetta Harris Community Center the same. Please don't change the name. It's part of Menlo Park history.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
56	Onetta Harris community center	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
57	This community center needs to keep the name of Onetta Harris Community Center!!!!	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
58	The name needs to stay as Onetta Harris Community Center. No other name will be acceptable	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
59	The name should remain the Onetta Harris community center to reflect the history and legacy of community.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
60	Please keep the name as is. Don't erase history in a disrespectful way. Keep it as the Onetta Harris Community Center.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
61	From a Menlo Prsk native, I now live in East Palo Alto: Keep the Onetta Harris name. Ms. Harris did so much for Menlo Park, especially the Belle Haven area. She died too young and I recall this tragic loss. Why you are even considering changing the name is something I find confusing and troubling. When the Center was named for her I felt so much pride, as a Menlo Park resident, that my city was acknowledging her in such a longterm, public and loving manner. Do not erase her history! She made an incalculable difference to so many.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
62	Onetta Harris community center	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
63	Keep the name Onetta Harris Community Center!	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
64	Onetta Harris Community Center	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
65	This building is historic, keep the name the same!	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
66	The name should stay original. Onetta Harris.	2/27/2023	Online feedback form
67	ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
68	I do not think the name of the Onetta Harris Community Center should be changed. This is a part of the community history and people who made a difference and created something for the community. It is not okay to be okay with erasing a community's history. Please do not change the name	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
69	Please do not change the name!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
70	Keep it ONETTA HARRIS! DONT LET GENTRIFICATION CHANGE THE NAME OF A HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY CENTER!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
71	Leave the name as is. ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
72	The community center shouldn't be renamed. Help keep what history East Menlo Park has left.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
73	STOP GENTRIFICATION!! The Onetta Harris center is one of the only establishments left in MENLO PARK that represents the ORIGINAL COMMUNITY!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
74	STAY THE SAME	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
75	Please do not rename the Onetta Harris Center. It already has a name!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
76	Please keep the original name to Onetta Harris . I grew up in this area and it's important that we remember where it all started it will give the park more of a true value .	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
77	It needs to be left as Onetta Harris! Please do not change it!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
78	Keep the name Onetta Harris Community Center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
79	The Onetta Harris Center has a name and it should remain as such. Let it continue to honor Onetta Harris' volunteer work and community outreach efforts she dedicated herself to. Now is not the time to erase the name of a woman of color in Menlo Park. Let us continue to raise up her name and good works.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
80	I grew up in Menlo Park and Onetta Harris Center is a big part of city's history and culture. It breaks my heart that someone is trying to erase this. Onetta Harris was a role model, big part of Community. Please do the right thing and leave the name.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
81	Please keep the name, Onetta Harrison community center. Her legacy deserves to continue.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
82	Keep the Onetta Harris name and preserve the honor and recognition of this woman's dedication and contributions!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
83	Leave Onetta Harris name as is please	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
84	Do not change the name because big tech wants to. What a shame if you do!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
85	KEEP IT ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER. There was a reason why it was dedicated "Onetta Harris Community Center". There was a reason why Onetta Harris was chosen to have the community center dedicated to her. There was a reason why Onetta Harris was the one that was deserving out of many individuals. To rename the community center would then void out how much she is loved by the community she cherishes. To rename the center is kind of a disrespect for an honor that was given to her. To rename the center would blemish history. #KeepTheNameTheSame by leaving it as "Onetta Harris Community Center"!!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
86	I think the name should remain Onetta Harris, it represents the community.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
87	Please help preserve this city's African American history and heritage. The naming of community centers matter. It demonstrates representation, equity and a commitment to the history and legacy of the city's hard-working citizens. Please keep Onetta Harris' name where it belongs.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
88	Onetta Harris Community Center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
89	I feel you should preserve the name Onetta Harris Community Center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
90	Onetta Harris Community Center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form

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91	Please help preserve this city's African American history and heritage. The naming of community centers matter. It demonstrates representation, equity and a commitment to the history and legacy of the city's hard-working citizens. Please keep Onetta Harris' name where it belongs. I am in protest of changing the name and would like to request you keep the name.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
92	The name should stay Onetta Harris Community Center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
93	Please do NOT change the name of the Onetta Harris Community Center!!! It's bad enough our city is being gentrified and our long standing residents are being bought out and displaced. Changing the name of this center with long ties to our community would further add salt to the wound of gentrification and displacement.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
94	Please keep the original name of the Onetta Harris center. If Meta truly wants to enrich our community it will pay homage to the people who have made an impact rather than erasing them	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
95	The Menlo Park community decided the name should remain the same Onetta. Please don't try to erase our history because you have a pocket full of money coming from Facebook. Facebook history is short compared to Onetta Harris history in the community.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
96	I would love the community center to be named Onetta Harris Community Center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
97	Onetta Harris community center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
98	Want to keep Onetta Harris center the same name. Only thing that's left in Menlo Park that has been here since I was younger and also my parents who also grew up here. Growing up in this community and still live here. And everything is changing and being taking away from what we are use to change is good but not taking away history is not . That center and the name is the only thing that has history to it and a meaning of a community in Menlo Park for everyone not just African American but for everyone that went there. Onetta Harris center holds a bigger name to it for the people who grew up or near this community center as a whole and changing the name well destroy everything that Mrs. Harris built.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
99	KEEP THE NAME "ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER" this is the heart and soul of Menlo Park it is a staple in our community! This community center saved the lives of many people and created a safe place for kids to play sports and just be kids! Onetta Harris Community Center is MENLO PARK! Keep the name the same! It's a known part of the community and everyone loves the community center!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
100	There is no one living or non living from the community who has put in more work than Onetta Harris and the name should be changed	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
101	Don't change the historical name of the Onetta Harris center! With so many changes happening that is the piece of community that should remain the same. Not for just the community but all the work she did. I	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
102	I believe that center is filled with Culture. ONETTA HARRIS CENTER HAS BEEN A BEACON IN THE COMMUNITY FOR DECADES! Keep the community united and do not change the name.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
103	I believe the name should continue to be Onetta Harris. She contributed a great deal to the community and should be recognized and honored.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
104	keep the Onetta Harris center the Onetta Harris center!	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
105	KEEP THAT NAME THE SAME LEAVE IT ALONE ATOP TRYING TO CHANGE THINGS	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
106	I Believe the name should stay the same as it is and should not be changed	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
107	WHY ARE YOU TRYING TO CHANGE THE NAME ANYWAYS	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
108	Leave it alone.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
109	KEEP THAT [profanity redacted] THE SAME [profanity redacted]	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
110	The name Onetta Harris should remain on the community center	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
111	I strongly believe the name should stay as Onetta Harris. She did so much for the community while she was alive. The fact that you even are thinking about changing it is just downright disrespectful. You should be ashamed! Changing the name is like erasing all that she has done for our community.	2/28/2023	Online feedback form
112	Historical Landmark	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
113	This is a Historical Landmark. Why would you erase the history.. ?	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
114	ONETTA HARRIS ALREADY HAS A NAME!	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
115	Onetta Harris Community Center	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
116	You have. I right to change the name from Onetta Harris community center. Stop erasing black peoples history and community memory. The community is coming for you all	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
117	Onetta Harris keep it the same !	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
118	They just want to erase everything in East Palo Alto that reminds them of us!	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
119	Do not rename the Onetta Harris Community Center . She was a pillar of the community and did so much for so many ... she can't and shouldn't be erased .	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
120	I grew up in East Palo Alto. Belle Haven and East Palo Alto were often integrated and shared space. I met my husband at Onetta Harris when he participated in the young men basketball league. During the summers, I swam with friends in the pool. I played softball on those fields. Memories, history being stripped away by a corporation who once argued that they would be good neighbors. Where is the corporate social responsibility to the LOCAL community? To its long-time residents? Where is the neighborly spirit? Maintain Belle Havens ode to a TRUE community woman who SERVED! (Without tax cuts might I add) Belle Haven has endured enough! Onetta Harris Community Center!!	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
121	Please allow the Menlo Park Community centers name to remain as Onetta Harris Community Center. This name is rich in history & brings the community together. Mrs. Harris was an advocate and act of service for the Menlo Community. Menlo Park should continue to honor her dedication, knowledge & compassion for all she helped, impacted & inspired.	3/1/2023	Online feedback form
122	Keep it named Onetta Harris Community Center	3/2/2023	Online feedback form
123	Keep the name Onetta Harris on the community center. Anything else is complete erasure. Honestly, what the [profanity redacted] is wrong with you?	3/2/2023	Online feedback form
124	I'm writing to request that we maintain the name - The Onetta Harris Center for the EMP center. I want to express the historical and spiritual value of honoring those who have gone before us. I knew Mrs. Harris and am aware of all of the work she did in the community. As the demographics continue to change over the years I think it is imperative that the historical contributors to the community be known and honored. I currently live in a section of Palo Alto where there is discussion about maintaining a landmark and structure related to Chinese history and a cannery that was located in the area. These histories are important and leave a legacy that all in the future can learn from. I have family and friends in Menlo Park and often visited and offered services at the center. I used to work with students at Menlo Atherton and have been teaching at Menlo College for over 10 years. I have a connection to Menlo Park and was a former Chair of Leadership Midpeninsula - which included residents from Menlo Park. I was also a past Chair of Palo Alto's Human Relations Commission. I highly support all efforts to preserve the name of the Onetta Harris Center -- wiping away that name for something else - or even something more generic would set a precedent for forgetting the past and those who have given so much to the community over time. Respectfully submitted.	3/2/2023	Online feedback form
125	I think the name should reflect the long history of struggle in East Menlo Park/Belle Haven. I think the name should remain Onetta Harris to reflect that history.	3/2/2023	Online feedback form
126	The new facility name should continue honoring Onetta Harris.	3/2/2023	Online feedback form
127	Onetta Harris Community Center needs to stay the same.	3/2/2023	Online feedback form
128	Please retain the Onetta Harris Community Center name. She was such a wonderful, powerful and supportive women for our community. It would be a shame to remove her name from the community center.	3/2/2023	Online feedback form
129	it is so important to acknowledge the history of African-American leaders in Menlo park and nearby areas. I'm hoping you can keep the Onetra Harris name.	3/3/2023	Online feedback form
130	The name Onetta Harris Community Center preserves a very necessary history. Gentrification has already taken a significant toll on this community. The name of its Community Center should remain the same.	3/3/2023	Online feedback form
131	The Onetta Harris Community Center needs to STAY the Onetta Harris Community Center, paying homage to the community that existed before Facebook moved in. The history of the community should not be erased. I grew up in the East Palo Alto and Belle Haven communities. I took classes there at the center, played there... The gentrification of the area saddens me and I think the city should AT LEAST keep the name.	3/3/2023	Online feedback form
132	Onetta Harris	3/4/2023	Online feedback form
133	Please retain the name Onetta Harris. It reflects the community and all the wonderful works she is responsible for	3/4/2023	Online feedback form
134	Mrs. Harris raised us all directly & indirectly couldn't ask for a more deserving name for the Community Center, don't even know how we got here.	3/4/2023	Online feedback form
135	I believe that it is imperative to name the Menlo Park Community Campus so that it accurately honors and respects the history of the Menlo Park community. I advocate naming the campus after Onetta Harris, who established the original center in an effort to serve the communities residents and their families. She was a tireless advocate and activist who deserves to be acknowledged.	3/5/2023	Online feedback form

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136	Please keep the Onetta Harris Community Center name. The Onetta Harris name represents Mrs. Harris's tireless efforts improving the Belle Haven community for decades, and it has special significance for those of us who grew up in Menlo Park during the 60's and 70's -- on both sides of the freeway. I went to high school at M-A with several of the Harris boys from '68-72, a particularly turbulent time in race relations in the Bay Area and throughout the country. The Harrises always had a strong sense of family and community, most certainly driven in large part by the leadership of their mother Onetta. She was a very powerful force for good in the greater Menlo Park community, and we should continue to honor the memory of her tireless work improving the lives of so many, for so many years.	3/5/2023	Online feedback form
137	If Facebook's plan is to take over all the rich history of my hometown, then they are going to according to plan! The founding members of the community planted seeds of their own to pay honor to people who should deserve to be honored. When I went to Europe they still have Statues of Christopher Columbus up and no one is interested in removing his history because to them he was a great man!! The Menlo Park and East Palo Alto Community should have the same respect. Why you include a huge commemoration of our past with you plans, if you don't year from know it would be like you stating that years from people should only know of the Facebook center and nothing from the previous years the land was owned by a beautiful community that had to fight to get Onetta Harris name on the building back then!	3/6/2023	Online feedback form
138	KEEP THE SAME NAME !! NO need to change the Culkture that was there already!!	3/6/2023	Online feedback form
139	Please do not rename The Onetta Harris Community Center. This name is best fitting. Thank you!	3/6/2023	Online feedback form
140	STOP GENTRIFYING BLACK AND BROWN NEIGHBORHOODS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	3/6/2023	Online feedback form
141	I feel that the City Council should preserve the history of the CITY by keeping the name Onetta Harris. How can they just come in and take away something that was already given to her, to honor her.	3/7/2023	Online feedback form
142	Keep Onetta Harris name!!	3/7/2023	Online feedback form
143	Rename the Onetta Harris Community Center, would delete the History of Menlo Park. It would take a way the history of a hard working black woman who dedicated years of service to many of the residents in Menlo Park. Many of lives were changed because of Mrs. Harris. Renaming the center would only bury the struggle of the many people who used and appreciated the after school programs that helped them to be who they are today. Changing the name of the center will only vanish the History of a Great woman, who helped build the city of Menlo Park.Keep the n	3/7/2023	Online feedback form
144	Onetta Harris	3/7/2023	Online feedback form
145	The Onetta Harris Community Center (OHCC), named by the Menlo Park City Council, by unanimous MP city council vote, July 17, 1983, is now under threat of being renamed the Menlo Park Campus. When META, aka Facebook, announced their plans, in 2020, to re-develop the OHCC site they indicated no plans to name the site after themselves (META) which I hope is still true. The City of Menlo Park has is now undertaking proceeding to rename the OHCC site. We, member(s) of "We Are Onetta" and the community at large, feel the OHCC site should not be renamed. We are opposed to the name change. We also feel Onetta Harris' name meets a clear and compelling connection to the Menlo Park/ Belle Haven Communities per Naming Policy (revised) - excerpts, also attached, as follows : 1) The historic preservation of the OHCC site preservation. 2) The Belle Haven Community Neighborhood Preservation. 3) Transparency in Community development. 4) Renaming protocols that preserve historically significant neighborhood sites. 5) The significance of Onetta Harris' past numerous contributions to the Belle Haven community and to the City of Menlo Park. We are therefore asking the City of Menlo Park to retain the name Onetta Harris Community. See attached article "A Memorial For Onetta" published by the The Peninsula Times Tribune, Sunday, July 17, 1983.	3/7/2023	Email
146	I think that Onetta Harris Community Center should remain the name of the new campus. Onetta Harris has been a beacon light on the Community for generations and it should continue for generations to come.	3/8/2023	Online feedback form
147	Preserve the name Onetta Harris Community Center	3/8/2023	Online feedback form
148	Ms Onettas name should be etched in stone for her evolutionary efforts, representative efforts, support and love for my community that I grew up in from early 60's through early 80's. I was a witness to the results of her leadership and efforts and the happiness and pride they produced.	3/10/2023	Online feedback form
149	Dear Commissioners, I am writing to express my concern about the proposed name change for the Onetta Harris community center. This center has been a significant part of our community for years, and my family has enjoyed its programs and services. However, the idea of changing the name from Onetta Harris is troubling to me and many others in our community. Onetta Harris was an African American woman who dedicated her life to community service, and changing the name of the community center would be a disservice to her legacy. She stood for the values of helping others, promoting equality, and fostering a sense of community, which are all essential principles that we should strive to uphold. My children have benefited greatly from the programs and services offered by the Onetta Harris community center. Changing the name would not only erase the legacy of Mrs. Harris but it would also be confusing for those who rely on the center's services and programs. I urge you to consider the importance of preserving the legacy of Onetta Harris and the impact that the center has on our community and the surrounding communities. Changing the name would not only be a disservice to her memory, but it would also be detrimental to the community that relies on the services provided by the center. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Sincerely, [name redacted]	3/10/2023	Online feedback form
150	Belle Haven Multi-Generational Community Campus (see page 74 Parks & Recreation Facilities Master Plan Update) The 5 programs should each retain their current name. Community is familiar with these names.	3/10/2023	Online feedback form
151	Hello I am extremely concerned and would like to share my interest for preserving the naming of the Menlo Park Community Center to it's most deserved and much honorable name " The Onetta Harris Community Center." As a youth growing up in Menlo Park from age 6-23yrs old. I was one of the youth who Mrs. Onetta Harris gave my first job opportunity. At the age of twelve I was employed to tutor in the Summer School Youth Program preschool age children. I also became a Recreational Leader at the Onetta Harris Community Center at the age of 14-18 yrs. old and Youth Leader for The Development Center Program from the age of 19-23 yrs. old. So I have wonderful full and rich history working for The City Of Menlo Park under the Directorship of Mrs. Onetta Harris. All of this beautiful ground work of experience was very helpful to my later becoming an Educator for Oakland Public Schools and San Leandro Unified School Districts. I owe so much of my accomplishments to Mrs. Onetta Harris and her wonderful family. Please I ask that you continue to honor her name and what she stood for. Helping so many people to become the best that they could be. She not only has made such the impact on my life but has made an impact on countless other lives as well. Thank you, [name redacted]	3/10/2023	Online feedback form
152	We need to keep the name of the old "Kely Park" to its appropriate name Of Onetta Harris! She she was a formidable presence in our community and she stood for excellence, pride, and justice. Please don't let her history be removed from from the community she helped build and preserve.	3/11/2023	Online feedback form
153	I don't understand the purpose or need to change the name of the Onetta Harris Bldg. The name of this building represent the history of the Belle Haven Community. The name goes back many of years and the name and the history needs to be preserved. I don't understand how a company(Facebook) came come in and would expect the renaming of an historical building and a city would even consider it. It's very sad.	3/11/2023	Online feedback form
154	Please do not rename the Onetta Harris Community Center. Onetta Harris was a pillar of the African American community and her legacy lives on today in her beautiful family that still uphold her name. It is clear to me that the community has spoken and the African American communities of East Menlo Park and East Palo Alto as well as the greater communities of various backgrounds all oppose the renaming of the Onetta Harris Community Center. Instead of erasing local, Black American history, the City of Menlo Park should be teaching newcomers to our community about our local heroine. Our community is triggered by the trauma of having our community institutions taken away from us little by little over the years. It is business as usual for Menlo Park but very damaging for the Descendant community.	3/13/2023	Online feedback form
155	Onetta Harris Community Center	3/13/2023	Online feedback form
156	Yes keep the same name it's been Onetta Harris	3/13/2023	Online feedback form

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157	Hello commissioners, I want to register my concern regarding a possible name change of the Onetta Harris Center. I am strongly against it. The Menlo Park City Council unanimously voted in 1983 to rename the Belle Haven Community Center. Ms. Harris deserved this acknowledgement. She was a volunteer, community activist and member of the Belle Haven Advisory Board, lastly, she was a wife and mother. She loved her family and the Belle Haven community. Ms. Harris has adult children that are continuing her legacy, please DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF THE CENTER.	3/14/2023	Online feedback form
158	My request is for the City of Menlo Park to keep the History and Legacy of Mrs. Onetta Harris's name in the redevelopment of the Belle Haven District, where I grew up as a child. My father bought our home on Madera Avenue when I was 2 years old. We were among the first BLACK children to grow up in Menlo Park. Too much of our Black Communities History across America are erased, elmenated and faded away by these so called Redevelopment Projects.	3/14/2023	Online feedback form
159	Elementating Mrs. Harris' name is elementating us as a people and our history in the City of Menlo Park. Our parents chose that city/community to raise their children, paid taxes. You cannot just erase a peoples history. Again, we were the first BLACK children to grow up there and actually, it was an orchestrated community, the Bay Area knew WWII Veterans were coming from the southern states to work and they were coming with GI Bills to purchase homes, so they built new homes on the other side of 101 and began to sell homes on East side to Black military men. Belle Haven area was "all white" when my father purchased our home. We were a very close knit Black Community a TRUE Village and our parents were hard working and dedicated to their families. Getting back to Mrs. Harris, she fought for us as children to have free summer camp at Flood Park, a teen center, as well as paid summer programs for us as teens. She did alot and her name deserves to live on in the new Belle Haven Community Center. Thank you in advance for keeping Onetta Harris's Legacy ALIVE!	3/14/2023	Online feedback form
160	NO, that is the only Historical Black Name that we have in Print that represented and fought for OUR Community. Mrs Onette Harris IS WHY, WE HAVE WHAT WE HAVE.	3/14/2023	Online feedback form
161	Change the name to East Menlo Park Community Center. Heavy on the East! [ad hominem attack redacted]	3/15/2023	Online feedback form
162	Change the name to East Menlo Park Community Center. Heavy on the EAST!!!! [ad hominem attack redacted]	3/15/2023	Online feedback form
163	Face Book has done enough to destroy the memory of our Belle Haven Community...Please DO NOT ALLOW THEM TO CHANGE TEH NAME OF OUR ONETTA HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER!!!	3/15/2023	Online feedback form
164	Keep it the same as it is	3/15/2023	Online feedback form
165	Aren't they tired of stealing or legacy.	3/16/2023	Online feedback form
166	Who is Onetta Harris? Many people may recognize the name, Onetta Harris, but how many understand the very important role she played in Menlo Park's evolution? Born in Texas on January 1, 1925, Ms. Harris moved to California and Menlo in 1952, specifically the Belle Haven neighborhood. In the thirty years following her arrival and up until her death in 1982, at the age of 57, she served as voice and catalyst for positive change in both Belle Haven and East Palo Alto. Onetta was a community volunteer and activist. She had a special interest in the Belle Haven Summer Teen Program, was a member of the Belle Haven Advisory Board, and, if that wasn't enough, she found time serve as Chair of the Neighborhood Housing Service, a housing rehabilitation agency. In addition, she helped found and served on the Board of the Charles Drew Medical-Dental Center. Her efforts resulted in an abundance of programs that tangibly improved and enhanced the quality of life, health, and well-being of countless thousands of individuals in our city. In July 1983, in recognition of Onetta's contributions, the Menlo Park City Council unanimously voted to rename the Belle Haven Community Center the 'Onetta Harris Community Center.' At the official dedication later that year, Aaron Johnson, Director of the Center at the time, stated, "Mrs. Harris was always doing something. There was no job too large or small to make this community better." Onetta Harris continues to serve as an inspiration to all those dedicated to community service.	3/20/2023	Email
167	Please continue to use Onetta Harris as the name of this facility. Mrs. Harris and her memory are an inspitation to this community and to the neighboring communities. Our History is so very important as the powers that be wipe out the old landscape. For communities like ours we need the power and strength of those on whose shoulders we stand, especially since the social conditions in our city have not changed as much as the landscape has. Be respectful.	3/25/2023	Suggestion box
168	I am writing to voice an opinion about naming the new complex in Belle Haven. I am [name redacted]. I've been civically engaged for quite some time. As I've long advocated for a full branch library in Belle Haven (along with the notion of including it as part of a community center rebuild), I'm beyond excited to see this project come to fruition. My 18 year old was in Kindergarten when I first started asking and working towards this goal. I was at the meeting where Facebook (now Meta) unveiled its proposal to our community to rebuild the community center and include a new library as part of it. I was there to hear multiple community members express concern that this would result in the building removing the name of Onetta Harris and replacing it with Facebook's. If you haven't gone back to watch the recording of that meeting, you should. Facebook representatives went out of their way to clearly state they had no interest in the naming of the building. They were interested in building a new facility to support the neighborhood they had so overburdened with construction and traffic. Their intent was to build the facility and then turn it over to the city who could name it however they wanted. Of late, every time we have a meeting about this facility, a handful of residents seem to feel its somehow insulting Facebook to not put their name on it and I want to make clear how much I DO NOT want this to happen. Facebook didn't want it that way when confronted with the community outrage. It seems lame to build it and then pout that we aren't naming it after them. As I read the current city naming policy, it seems to indicated that buildings named after community members will not have those names removed except for extraordinary circumstances. I'm sure one could make the argument that the complete rebuild presents as such. Don't do that. It doesn't. Even now, the company that proposed this new building is no longer the company still building it. Corporations are temporary. Neighborhood communities are forever. We owe far more of what we have in Belle Haven to the advocacy efforts of residents than we do to Sun, Facebook, Tyco or Meta. See all those name changes? Facebook didn't make this offer because Arillaga has his name on half of Burgess Park. Its silly to think that not putting their name on it will stop some other generous benefactor from contributing to our quality of life. Honor the words of those who sold us this idea when they said they had no interest in having their name attached to it. Honor the outrage of residents who wanted their history attached to the name. There will still be a community center inside this new complex, that much has been made clear. It should still carry Onetta Harris' name as she did nothing to cause its removal. I think the complex should carry the Belle Haven neighborhood name. Having lived in many places, I appreciate when place names carry some hint about the location because for new residents it can be hard to know where all these places are and Belle Haven has a lot of pride in the neighborhood name. Sorry it's so long. I've been ruminating on this for a while. I appreciate the time and effort you all put into making Menlo Park such a great place to live.	4/21/2023	Email
169	Please 🙏 preserve the name Onetta Harris Center for the newly constructed building. The name is a beacon of a light house guiding community members to a shore, legacy of hope and history. Mrs Harris touched and guided her community to the land of salvation and respite from struggling with health issues, economic crisis and substance addiction. Generations were saved by her parenting, mentoring and teaching. Their children passing on the oral and visual education to their children they were gifted by Onetta Harris. She was a great woman who gave her heart and soul to foster hope and recovery in Menlo Park and surrounding cities. The name Onetta Harris Center is a cheer, prayer and proclamation of that historic time in our lives is still being honored, fostered and preserved for the future generations. Who will come through those doors days and years to come. Continuing to save others as Onetta Harris saved their parents and great grandparents. Families grew from the soil of activities and environment that Onetta Harris provided from programs such as Midnight Basketball to weddings and baby showers. Older members tell their children that is where I met your mother or father. It's not a building's name Onetta Harris Center but chapters of family and community history. We older members are sharing with our community and the world, thank you, [name redacted] life time and beyond member of the Onetta Harris Center, Menlo Park, ca.	5/26/2023	Email

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170	Dear Staff, I response to the naming on the new community center, I believe the name Onetta Harris must be included and visable to the community she loved and lived in, raised her family in and gave of herself too. Let us not forget the ones who worked hard to bring change and viability to Belle Haven. We have a rich history here to pass on, love on, and live in. If we do not know where we've come from, how will we know where we are going. Life and Living is about respect to our Ancestors. Holding on to them in every way we can. Thanks [name redacted]	6/19/2023	Online feedback form
171	It would be great to name five major facilities using neighborhood names in Menlo Park, such as Belle Haven, The Willows, Allied Arts, and Sharon Heights.	7/27/2023	Online feedback form
172	Please do not rename The Onetta Harris Community Center - Please keep the name, that center has been a pillar in the community for decades.	8/2/2023	Online feedback form
173	Let's encourage private investment in our community. We shouldn't alienate our benefactor for a silly reason like this.	8/10/2023	Online feedback form
174	Our parks are named after individuals who have no bearing now on the present day. Onetta Harris and Karl E. Park need to be renamed to reflect the community of today.	8/10/2023	Online feedback form
175	I think it should remain "Onetta Harris Community Center". As a member of and advocate for this community, her memory should continue to live on. This is her public legacy.	8/11/2023	Online feedback form
176	Meta was responsible for this project . Menlo Park Meta Community Center !	8/31/2023	Online feedback form
177	Yes, would like to see it named the Belle Haven Community Campus Center.	9/11/2023	Online feedback form
178	The Onetta Harris Community Center needs to retain the historical name it was given to honor a great woman and community leader. Facebook should not replace this woman's legacy simply because they have deeper pockets. Changing the name would dishonor history and all of the work Onetta Harris did to enrich the community.	9/18/2023	Online feedback form
179	Traditions have a story behind them and in naming a park someone obviously earned it. There is no good reason to later change the name. What earned it being named after them has not gone away.	9/18/2023	Online feedback form
180	I'm [name redacted], 30 year resident of the Belle Haven Community in the City of Menlo Park. We all should be striving to evolve in our lives. Our Community is apart of our lives. The MPCC project, started as 3 stand alone buildings and has evolved to this Magnificent Multi-Generational Campus for all to enjoy together. Let's accept this massive gift and acknowledge the giver. Thank you Meta (formerly Facebook at the time). We have been asking for our own Library, an upgraded community center, gym, youth center and Senior Center for years. A Community member (Mr. Matt Henry) submitted designs on how it would work on your City owned land. The giver Meta has come through with that ask and so much more. We should not be ungrateful by putting someone else' name on the campus. The name of the brand new State of the Art Campus should be Menlo Meta Community Campus. What is the fear? One's culture is in the people that live here not in a name that used to be on 1 old building. Our Community has been very diverse for many years. We will celebrate all our cultures in our neighborhood not just one. Thank you for your time.	9/18/2023	Online feedback form
181	I think we should reserve the naming until someone important passes away. So, my interim name suggestions are: Overall Campus - Belle Haven Community Center Library - Belle Haven Library - City of Menlo Park Senior Center - Onetta Harris Senior Center - City of Menlo Park Youth Center - Belle Haven Youth Center Pool - Belle Haven Aquatic Center (fancy name tbd)	9/18/2023	Online feedback form
182	Naming Proposals A: Onetta Harris Community Center (OHCC) @META Library: Billy Ray White Senior Center: Letha Powell Gym: Paul Barbour Sr Youth Center: Bostic/Stamper Pool: Belle Haven Community B: Onetta Harris Community Campus @META Library: Dr. Warren Hayman Senior Center: Marie Blackburn Gym: Eddie Croft Youth Center: Bob Alexander Pool: Belle Haven Community C: Belle Haven Community Center @META Library: Onetta Harris Senior Center: Betty White Gym: Aaron Johnson Youth Center: David Wheaton Pool: Belle Haven Community	9/18/2023	Hand delivered
183	There is history to the name Onetta Harris Community Center. She gave Belle Haven youth the opportunity to belong, she showed immense support and counseling to all who crossed her way. Onetta Harris should be honored in this new building some how, she is history of the change that happened in 1983. Thank you to the person who donated the money for this new beautiful and improved facility but money means nothing to us, it is the history behind the name. Onetta Harris Center by _____ or OHC by _____, name a department under her name the senior center or the youth center. Onetta devoted her time and efforts to make a difference to the youth in her community. Add a wall with the history & pictures of the old building and a picture of Onetta Harris, HONORING HER some way should not be a question, just how you will be honoring those donors who made the new building possible! We will rise for what is right, we may not have the wealth but we have a VOICE!	9/19/2023	Online feedback form
184	O'netta Harris Community Campus	9/19/2023	Online feedback form
185	As a 10 year resident of the Blessed Belle Haven Neighborhood I attended last night's public forum to simply get some news about the opening of our beautiful new Center. What I came away with was an appreciation for the concerns of my neighbors and how important it is to the longstanding members of our awesome community to keep the name of the entire center as The Onetta Harris Community Center. Frankly I am convinced. Why name it anything else? This honors the spirit of our little triangle of Menlo Park of which I am fortunate enough to find myself. We've got it all: Our own police station, total multi-cultural people living in harmony, polite neighbor employees of Facebook, clean streets, excellent transportation and now a stunning community center. Thank you Thank you Thank you to Facebook/Meta for much of this and being great to our neighborhood. Now take it one step further and honor our history.	9/19/2023	Online feedback form
186	Menlo Park Meta Center	9/19/2023	Online feedback form
187	I appreciate the historical perspectives that I've been hearing from so many long-time Belle Haven residents. The area surrounding the neighborhood has gone through a lot of changes and I can understand why people might want to preserve something familiar (e.g. the name of an esteemed community leader) and keep the history alive. I hope we can honor those desires.	9/19/2023	Online feedback form
188	There are different kinds of communities, and each community is influenced by the members of that community who achieved the highest level on consciousness. These individuals are honored in their communities as a lighthouse of what is possible even when the darkness of night comes. Their spirit permeates everything in that community whether we are aware of it or not. For the Belle Haven community, that person is Onetta Harris because she demonstrated compassion, which is the highest level of consciousness that humans can attain in this dimension, during the darkest times known to the community. Removing her name would be like turning off the lighthouse. Her spirit would still be there, but it would be hard to see the rocks.	9/19/2023	Online feedback form
189	Overall name - belle haven community campus Retain original names for the different programs	9/20/2023	Online feedback form

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190	Hello committee, Hi my name is [redacted]. I like to say I feel as though onetta Harris community center name should never be changed. Never erase history, especially when it comes to a black culture For many years. In America they have erased our existence or attributions. We've made around the world here. Once again we are faced with change and a most derogatory way due to erasing black culture Black History. Why is it imperative to erase black culture? Once again your diminishing our name and status our contributions and attributions in a positive way. Onetta Harris was a fine attribute to Menlo Park as well as the area around her. Please respect and honor her dedication to the community. I feel as though the name should not be changed. Her name should always show her contributions. I feel as though you have extremely beautiful building, however, there's no need for the change of name. We like to enjoy that building in the honor of her name as well. All change isn't good change. Remember the most important thing the most high is watching everything that we all are doing on earth and the most high is God ☺☺☺	9/21/2023	Online feedback form
191	I am a friend and former teammate of EJ Harris who is the grandson of Onetta Harris. I had the pleasure of meeting her son, Edmund, as well. Edmund was a big supporter of mine during my high school and college years. Much like his mother, he worked diligently to help support young people prepare themselves for adulthood. EJ Harris is now carrying on the legacy of his grandmother and father with his own efforts. I never had the chance to meet Onetta Harris, but I did have a chance to visit the center when I went on a road trip with her son and grandson in 1998. I was happy to see that her legacy was living on, and I hope it continues to do so... starting with the center's name remaining the same.	9/21/2023	Online feedback form
192	Keep current names, protect its historical significance. We can progress to the future without losing sight of the history we come from.	9/22/2023	Online feedback form
193	Onetta Harris' work on the redevelopment of the Belle Haven Community should never be forgotten. You may think that Facebook redeveloped Menlo Park but there was a dedicated woman many generations before FB that shaped a community and gave many years of her life single handedly for the uplift of this community. To even consider renaming this community center is a direct blow to women of color, that a lifetime of our work and legacy can be erased. Please let the legacy of Onetta Harris live on.	9/22/2023	Online feedback form
194	I vote for the name to remain Onetta Harris Community Center. It would be nice to be able to rewrite history to reflect what is going on today, but we can't! No matter what is built upon it, a historical foundation can never be dug up and redone. We need this record & legacy to remain!	9/22/2023	Online feedback form
195	Name must remain the same. Please don't change.	9/23/2023	Online feedback form
196	LEAVE THE NAME AS IS YOU RACIST [profanity redacted]	9/23/2023	Online feedback form
197	Hello, Please see the follow-up information regarding the naming proposal below. We consolidated it into two options for the entities within the center. Naming Proposals A: Onetta Harris Community Center (OHCC signage) - Onetta served on the Belle Haven Advisory Committee where she played key role in the development of the Belle Haven Community Center which was renamed The Onetta Harris Community Center in 1982 to honor her after passing, for all the positive things she did within the East Menlo Park Belle Haven Community. Her community involvement was not limited to East Menlo Park, but she also played a very important role in the acquisition of land from Bank of America and foundation of the Drew Medical Pharmacy, which was located in East Palo Alto, CA. Onetta was huge pillar of both communities. Her passion and community support helped the lives of many families in Menlo Park. She played a significant role in the work of the community leaders listed below. Library: Dr. Warren Hayman Library - Warren C. Hayman (MA Education, 1967) came to Stanford with his young family to participate in the Experienced Teachers in Education Program at the Graduate School of Education in the late 1960s. He is the former principal of Belle Haven Elementary School and Superintendent of the Ravenswood School District. Senior Center: Louise Stamper Senior Center – Mrs. Stamper lived in the community for 68 years. She issued a neighborhood garbage cleanup initiative that became a national program. She started a gardening beautification program that that planted trees and gardens throughout the community. Board of Directors for a neighborhood housing service to provide government grants for housing rehabilitation. Gym: Paul Barbour Sr Gym – Director of the Menlo Park Boys Club for 25 years. Provided a safe space for to participate in sports activities. A community activist. In 1977, he started Athletic Basketball League East (A.B.L.E.) for kids east of the Bayshore freeway. This was created to bring kids in to play sports and provided tutoring with Dr. Hayman & Onetta Harris at the Community Center. Youth Center: Bill Ray White – After meeting with Onetta Harris, he began working on the Belle Haven Advisory Committee. A community leader, beacon of the community and planning commission member beginning in 1970. He became the first African American Mayor of Menlo Park in 1979. He was re-elected mayor in 1983 and 1986. Pool: Elder Bostic Community Pool - Community organizer and pastor at the Mt. Olive Apostolic Original Holy Church of God in Menlo Park's Belle Haven neighborhood. A corridor was named after her in Menlo Park. B: Onetta Harris Community Campus (OHCC signage) Library: Marie Blackburn – Mrs. Blackburn was integral in the creation of the Senior Center and other programs. A community leader since the 1960's. Senior Center: Letha Powell Senior Center - A passionate volunteer with Senior Center. She referred to them as "my seniors." She coordinated activities, fundraisers, and support of the Senior community. Gym: Robert (Bob) Alexander Community Pool – Bob led a group of 30 people who made significant contributions that allowed the community of Belle Haven to provide critical services. He was able to receive block grants from the federal government that were utilized to build the now Onetta Harris Community Center. He was integral in the building of the Youth Center, along with the support of Onetta and others in the community. Youth Center: Searcy Youth Center Pool: Betty White Community Pool – Betty is a current 65-year resident of the Belle Haven community. She was an active city council meeting attendee. If you name an issue I'm sure she was there making sure justice and fairness was there. She coached youth baseball for the kids of Menlo Park and East Palo Alto for about 5 years. Betty would speak to community members behalf of any residential or personal matters at city council meetings. even on her behalf taking on cases to court with her own attorney to help others in the community.	9/24/2023	Online feedback form
198	Hello, The proposal I sent earlier was comprised of feedback from the individuals below. I merely gathered their thoughts. [names redacted] Thanks, [name redacted]	9/24/2023	Online feedback form
199	Tag line: We are INFINITE!	9/25/2023	Online feedback form
200	It would be nice to honor a community member that has contributed to the community for some period of time. However, there are also others who have done good works and accomplished many things that have not and will not ever be acknowledged. Many people in the past and present have done good work for the community and have not been recognized, nor do they ask for recognition. This is a public building that constantly changes, with diverse people living here in the community who come and go. Menlo Park Community Campus/Center was not built to honor a specific person in the community, rather it is a place where all are welcome to come and use the facilities. Naming the building sets a specific tone for a building. It sets a purpose for the use of it. I would like to see the name be more representative of all people rather than a few (or one) specific people. There could be a wall or plaque or special area to honor community members, people could have loved one's name and something said about them on a bench, but the entire building does not have to be named after one person. Just because others do not speak out, does not mean they automatically agree with the name of the building. I realize there is a certain level of consensus within the community as to whom the Menlo Park Community Campus/Center should be named after. However, it feels like this is a forgone conclusion based on the opinion of a small group in the community and does not allow for other opinions or ideas from others within the community. It also feels like there would be retaliation against anyone who dares to challenge the name put forth by this limited contingent in the community. It should not be this way. All members of the community should feel they have a voice and can offer their opinion without fear of retaliation. We must always be mindful that tyranny can come from many sources even when that source continues to play the role of the oppressed.	9/26/2023	Suggestion box
201	do NOT rename the Onetta Harris Community Center! We VALUE the legacy of Onetta Harris!!	9/27/2023	Online feedback form
202	Es justo y nesesarario Onetta Harris-si-gracias-	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
203	We would love to keep the name Onetta Harris	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
204	El nombre de Onetta Harris en esta locacion se tiene que quedar para conecerbar su memoria	9/29/2023	Suggestion box

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205	En memoria de Onetta Harris	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
206	En memoria de Onetta Harris sería injusto cambiarle el nombre a esa propiedad	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
207	We would love to keep the name Onetta Harris	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
208	Ami me gustavio que le dejen el mismo nombre en memoria-Onetta Harris.	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
209	En honor a nuestro fundado de muento fundador deservmos que le ponga Onetta Harris Gracias	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
210	En honor Onetta Harris	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
211	En honor a la memoria: Onetta Harris	9/29/2023	Suggestion box
212	I think the new place should be called Onetta Harris. If her name is passed over or one of many, the history of her contribution to the neighborhood risks being lost. Thanks for honoring her legacy!	9/30/2023	Online feedback form
213	Onetta Harris Community Center or Onetta Harris Community Campus	10/5/2023	Online feedback form
214	Onetta Harris Community Center	10/6/2023	Online feedback form
215	100 Terminal Avenue, Menlo Park, CA has a name. The name is The Onetta Harris Community Center. The name should remain The Onetta Harris Community Center or be changed to The Onetta Harris Community Campus. Her vision, good deeds, fortitude and activism are her legacy, her family's legacy and the legacy of citizens of East Menlo Park - the Community. Citizens of East Menlo Park and East Palo Alto use The Onetta Harris Community Center for birthdays - weddings - funeral repass gatherings - reunions - graduations - sporting events, etc. It is their gathering place. If 100 Terminal Avenue were named the Taube Community Center or the Arrillaga Community Center or the Benioff Community Center or the Zuckerberg Community Center or even the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center - would you change the name? STOP OBLITERATING HISTORY. Instead, share and celebrate the community's history which is Menlo Park history. Celebrate the original inhabitants, the Ohlone Native Americans, celebrate the California Rancheros/Rancheras, the first Irish settlers, celebrate those responsible for the railroad, celebrate the early dairy farmers, celebrate the young black professionals who settled in EMP and successfully raised families in in the 50's, 60's and 70's, 80's. Menlo Park is much more than just the "Capital of Venture Capital". I also live in Santa Barbara. There we celebrate and remember ALL of our citizens during the annual five day festival called the Old Spanish Days Fiesta. Celebrated are the Chumash tribe, the Spanish settlers, the black settlers, the white settlers, the brown settlers. Not all history is good history. But, when you celebrate all history and intentionally highlight the good of all, you create respect and harmony among the citizenry. Menlo Park - do better and do right by the citizens who have roots in and live in the 100 Terminal Avenue, Menlo Park, CA neighborhood. Again, 100 Terminal Avenue, Menlo Park, CA has a name. The name is The Onetta Harris Community Center and should remain The Onetta Harris Community Center or be changed to The Onetta Harris Community Campus. Honor and celebrate Onetta Harris, a founding mother of a Menlo Park neighborhood.	10/6/2023	Online feedback form
216	O'netta Harris Community Center	10/7/2023	Online feedback form
217	Why does META want to destroy a local Black History luminary celebrated for years? Is the META brand in such peril that a woman that is lauded on the MP historical site as a person who's .. "efforts resulted in an abundance of programs that tangibly improved and enhanced the quality of life, health, and well-being of countless thousands of individuals in our city.", that it needs to erase her memory ?	10/9/2023	Online feedback form
218	I'd love to see the new community campus named after a Belle Haven leader. It seems reasonable to continue to honor the legacy of Onetta Harris (https://www.postnewsgroup.com/menlo-park-residents-fear-loss-of-onetta-harris-legacy-in-facebook-offer-to-overhaul-community-center/). It could also be named after a modern-day Belle Haven leader, perhaps Cecilia Taylor, Pam D Jones or Juanita Croft? In the decision making, I would defer to the voices of the Belle Haven community (or which I am not a member). Thanks for taking the time to ask! I think we can also honor Meta in the building(s) somewhere, but I'd recommend not in the name itself.	10/10/2023	Online feedback form
219	Topic clearly a divisive issue in the Belle Haven Community. It would help by listing the shortlist of names being considered. I would like to see a name that gives credit to the community leaders in Belle Haven who worked for fairness in city services in Belle Haven. Onetta Harris is one. There are others. While Meta has been generous, the company has benefitted greatly through Menlo Park accommodations.	10/10/2023	Online feedback form
220	Menlo Unity Campus - this signals that this new campus should be a place of unity and congregation for the whole community; The Menlo Town Center Menlo Park Crossroads The Menlo Grove Menlo Resident Hub	10/13/2023	Online feedback form
221	Why would you want to deprive a local community of their connection to a prominent local Black woman activist, who worked tirelessly for decades to bring the Community Center to fruition. Why would you want to deprive young people of the remembrance of a local Black foremother who exemplifies service in the best sense of the word? Don't you think it is important to continually remind young folks that making a difference locally matters because it affects the richness of our daily lives. Onetta Harris dedicated her life to community change, community uplift, and community involvement. Changing the name of the Onetta Harris Center represents an effort to disconnect the community with the contributions of a local shehero who made the Center possible; it represents a disregard for how important it is to have role models. I urge you to not be so obtuse as to ignore the contemporary and historical significance of naming. The fact that people are so dedicated to retaining the name of the Center should send a loud and clear signal of how much it matters. THE ONETTA HARRIS LEGACY MATTERS!!!!	10/14/2023	Online feedback form
222	Please respect past decisions and keep the name to a real community hero! "Onetta Harris Community Center"	10/14/2023	Online feedback form
223	Thank you for considering my comments. I am convinced that the plan for a new look or a rebuild should retain the heart of that building or center. With the Onetta Harris Community Center, the heart has always been to uplift and advance the highest and the best interests of this community. The Center was named initially because Onetta Harris personified that heart. I see no good reason under the sun to change the name. If there is any name changing done in this season why not change the name Menlo Park to Menlo Haven. At this point in our history and given the impact of gentrification, the name Menlo Haven would reflect the city's heartfelt desire to INSURE that the highest and best interests of Belle Haven residents are advanced.	10/17/2023	Online feedback form
224	It needs a name that is going to represent the future.	10/17/2023	Online feedback form
225	Please keep the Onetta Harris Community Center name. She was a beloved and influential member of this community and a champion in the fight for civil rights.	10/18/2023	Online feedback form
226	The new name should represent the future. I have lived on Terminal Ave for over 67 years. I am planning on staying.	10/18/2023	Online feedback form
227	Please do not change name of Onetta Harris Center. New residents should not have the right to make important changes in community.	10/26/2023	Suggestion box
228	Pedimos que se respete el nombre de Onetta Harris que no sea cambiado	10/26/2023	Suggestion box
229	Please respect the name of Onetta Harris. In memory of her, thank you.	10/26/2023	Suggestion box
230	I like the name of Onetta Harris. Please keep it. Thank you	10/26/2023	Suggestion box