

Kendrick Castillo Committee Timeline

Time Period	Event
May, 26 2022	The Memorial Committee was formed and met initially to scope the project and brainstorm memorial options. The committee was comprised of John and Maria Castillo; Charles Burroughs, Jack Debeer, and Jordon Monk (friends of Kendrick); Commissioner Laydon; Andy Jones (HRMD); Becky Holm (Seven Stones Cemetery); Meghann Silverthorn (Library District); Mike Peterson (DCSD); Steven Johnson (Douglas County Sheriff's Office); and Tim Moore.
June 20, 2022	Second meeting, memorial option evaluation.
August 2, 2022	Third meeting, ongoing evaluation of memorialization options.
Fall, 2022	Civic Center Park site selection, coordination with HRMD, development of call for art for the memorial, initial coordination with CDOT on Lucent renaming, initial coordination with impacted address holders, including Lockheed Martin.
November, 2022	Castillo family visits Civic Green Park and selects the memorial site from several options.
January 18, 2023	<p>The final recommendation of the Committee was for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A physical monument in Civic Green Park • A street name change to Lucent Blvd in memory of Kendrick • DCSD to consider naming the robotics facilities located at the DCSD Legacy Campus in honor of Kendrick • Douglas County Libraries to consider commissioning a book in memory of Kendrick • Collaboration with Douglas County Community Foundation to raise funds.
January 2023	Letter of support from Lockheed Martin regarding street renaming.
1Q 2023	Ongoing staff coordination with CDOT on street renaming, Highlands Ranch Metro District on memorial in Civic Green Park, and Douglas County Community Foundation in preparation for a formal announcement and fundraising kickoff.
April 2023	Castillo family requests a pause in committee work. During this time, staff continues to explore other funding options for a memorial, and continues correspondence with CDOT.
September 5, 2023	At a September 5, 2023 work session, the Board of County Commissioners directed staff to “continue work on the Kendrick Castillo Memorial and the renaming Lucent Blvd. to Kendrick Castillo Way and bring back to the Board of County Commissioners any future actions in order to make that happen.” The motion passed by the Board 3-0
September 21, 2023	At the September 21, 2023 Douglas County Community Foundation Heroes Gala Kendrick Castillo was commemorated.
4Q 2023	Staff coordinates with Castillo family and develops a Memorandum of Understanding between the County, DCCF, and HRMD for fundraising, funding disbursement.

January 2024	Fundraising, announcement, press release, and website preparation.
February 2024	Announcement at Civic Green Park with Castillo family, Committee members, representatives from HRMD and DCCF. \$84,250.44 raised through initial a 9News Word of Thanks campaign.
March 2024	Staff submits application to Community Development Department for renaming Lucent Blvd. to Kendrick Castillo Way.
April 2024	Comment period for Lucent Blvd. renaming is complete. During the comment period, most affected agencies had no comment. HRMD opposed the renaming due to concerns about cost and fiscal impact to taxpayers, impacts to Lucent address holders, and potential for confusion during the name transition. HRMD expressed support for “in memoriam” signs that would not formally change the name of Lucent Blvd. The County also received objection from at least one business whose address would change. CDOT responded that the full cost of any sign replacement in CDOT right of way would be the County’s.
May, 2024	Five year remembrance of Kendrick’s death.
June and July 2024	Staff works to resolve issues identified in the comment period, with CDOT in particular: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff sought clarification from the Governor’s office regarding CDOT signage. • Engineering staff met with CDOT to better understand their position on sign replacement. No substantive change in CDOT position, but some willingness to waive fees and processes. • Engineering approves street name length variance.
July 2024	Family concludes memorial design process in conjunction with landscape architects at Seven Stones Cemetery. Staff and Committee representatives present the design concept to HRMD staff, obtain authorization for final design, discuss process for drawing down funds for the memorial, tentatively plan for October installation. Staff discussed remaining step of street name change process with the Castillos, explained some of the objections received, and confirmed their desire to move forward.
July 30, 2024	Board of Douglas County Commissioner’s direction to finalize road name process with noticed hearing on August 27, 2024.