



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2012, Agenda Item #: 72.

6/9/2022

Posting Language

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance renaming “Confederate Street” to “Maggie Mayes Street” under City Code Chapter 14-5. (Suggested date: July 28, 2022, Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas).

Lead Department:

Austin Transportation Department.

Fiscal Note:

This item has no fiscal impact

Prior Council Action:

February 17, 2022 - Resolution No. 20220217-035 to rename Confederate Street to Maggie Mayes under City Code Chapter 14-5 (Street Name Change) and waiving certain requirements was approved on an 11-0 vote.

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Additional Backup Information:

An application requesting a street name change was submitted by Council Member Kathy Tovo’s Office. The reasons for the street name change as stated on the application are consistent with Code Sections in § 14-5-4:

(6) to provide necessary roadway designation, including “street,” “road,” “lane,” “circle,” “drive,” or “boulevard” as “the extension of the road no longer allows it to be considered a court designation.” ATD worked with the Communications and Technology Management Department (CTM) Addressing to receive clarification and confirmation regarding the street type for Confederate Street versus Confederate Avenue. CTM confirmed the street type in their database is “street” therefore ATD is recommending the full street name be Maggie Mayes Street.

(7) to honor a person, place, institution, group, entity, or event. The proposed street name is Maggie Mayes Street, to honor Maggie Mayes. A biography is included in Council backup documentation, as provided by the applicant.

As part of the Street Name Change process in Chapter 14-5 of City Code, ATD notifies (by mail) the property owners abutting the street about the proposed street name change. These notifications were mailed on April 1, 2022, to the 10 property owners on this street. If any of the property owners opposes the street name change, a public hearing is required before Council acts on the street name change. To date, two property owners have responded in opposition of the renaming. Concur review forms were sent to six agencies and City Departments including Austin Fire Department, Austin Police Department, Austin Transportation Department, Communications and Technology Department, Emergency Medical Services, and Travis County. Of these, six have responded with “concur” to the renaming.

Per Council action, the application fee of \$415.00 has been waived. The cost estimate for fabrication and installation of two signs is \$281.97 and will be absorbed by the Austin Transportation Department's Operating Budget.

This project is located within zip code 78703.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Government that Works for All.