Street Naming and Name Change Process

Confederate Monument Task Force

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Overview

• Review process and timeline for street name changes
• Review confirmed street names associated with the Confederacy
• Identify associated costs
Who Can Initiate a Street Name Change?

• An owner of property abutting the street
  • Petition is required indicating that at least 51% of the owners of all lots abutting the street favor the name change

• Director of Sustainable Development and Construction, if necessary to address public safety concerns

• A City Council Member, with concurrence of two other City Council Members

• City Plan Commission, by majority vote
Historic Street Names

• Historic street names may not be changed, without a three-fourths vote by City Council

• A historic street name commemorates:
  • A person who significantly contributed to the cultural, economic, social, religious, or political heritage of the city
  • A site or area where there occurred historic events which significantly contributed to the cultural, economic, social, religious, or political heritage of the city
  • A person or family founding or traditionally associated with the area where the street is located
Timeline and Review Process

Receive complete application

Application sent to different City departments and agencies outside City for comments

Comments received

Subdivision Administrator sets date for public hearing before Subdivision Review Committee (SRC)

Before 15 days prior to hearing

Notice advertised, written notice mailed, and notification signs posted along the street

Before 30 days prior to hearing

Public Hearing (SRC)

Subdivision Administrator sets date for public hearing before City Plan Commission (CPC)

If CPC recommends denial, the action is final unless applicant appeals to City Council within 10 days of the CPC hearing

Public Hearing (CPC)

Notice advertised, written notice mailed, and notification signs posted along the street

Before 15 days prior to hearing

Public Hearing (City Council)

Notice advertised, written notice mailed, and notification signs posted along the street
Effective Date and Notification

• The street name change is effective
  • Either 60 days after City Council approval or
  • A later date specified in the ordinance
• Written notice is provided to City departments and other entities (such as electrical, gas, and telephone providers) of the new street name.
• Written notice is provided to property owners abutting the street of the Council decision
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| Akard       | William Christopher Columbus Akard (1826-1870) | —Arrived in Dallas in 1864  
—One of Dallas's earliest merchants/business people | None |
| Clark       | Henry C Clark (1850-1924) | Henry Clark—Born in Carrollton Area/Dallas County  
—Simpson-Clark Addition (Forest/Ervay)  
—Cattle driver/Rancher  
—Dallas millionaire, home in Cedars and other neighborhoods  
—Real Estate Developer (Sold the Sangers one of their buildings in 1885) | None |
| Coit        | Henry William Coit (1862-1930) | —President of Renner Farmers Gin Co.  
—President of the Texas State Cotton Ginners Association  
—President of the Renner School Board  
—Director of Parkland Hospital  
—Director of the United States Grain Growers Association  
—Director of the National Farm Bureau and was a Director of the Liberty State Bank of Dallas. [findagrave.com](http://findagrave.com) | None |
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<td>Davis (Oak Cliff)</td>
<td>A.E. Davis</td>
<td>Developer</td>
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<td>Jefferson (Oak Cliff)</td>
<td>Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826)</td>
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| Good-Latimer | James Wellington "Wake" Latimer (1825-1859) | —Arrived in Dallas as a child 1833  
—Alderman 1856-1857  
—Founded first newspaper, later incorporated into the DMN.  
—A Chief Justice of Dallas County | Dead before Civil War |
| Hood [From Coke to Hood 1925] | Hood Fletcher Smith (1876-1925) | Prominent Dallas undertaker and professor  
—Professor at the Dallas School of Embalming [still in existence as Dallas Institute of Mortuary Science]  
—Director of Education  
—Undertaker for the Ed C Smith & Bro. funeral home (his father). | Born after the Civil War |
# Street Named for People with Association to the Confederacy

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<td>Cabell</td>
<td>William L. Cabell (1827-1911) Definitely proven in ordinance</td>
<td>—Mayor of Dallas 3 times (1874-1876, 1877-1879, 1883-1885)</td>
<td>Confederate General</td>
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<td>Gano</td>
<td>Richard Montgomery Gano (1830–1913)</td>
<td>—Moved to North TX in 1857 —Tarrant County Representative in the legislature at Austin —Minister (Established multiple churches, including First Christian of Dallas) —Farmer/Rancher —Banker —Doctor</td>
<td>Confederate Brigadier General</td>
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<td>Gaston</td>
<td>William Henry Gaston (1840-1927)</td>
<td>—One of the area's first millionaires —Settled in what came to be East Dallas, responsible for its origin —Citizens wanted to name town after him; settled on East Dallas —Helped bring railroad through Dallas/East Dallas (v Corsicana) —Donated land for State Fair</td>
<td>Confederate Captain; purported model for Confederate Memorial; moved to Dallas after the Civil War.</td>
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—Judge and District Judge in Dallas  
—leader of insurgents in Hedgcoxe War in 1852 (Peters Colony Rebellion) [https://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/jch01] | Confederate Colonel              |
| Junius            | Junius Peak (1845–1934)                                     | —Real estate developer  
—Deputy Sheriff  
—Captain in Texas Rangers  
—Superintendent of White Rock Lake | Soldier (joined at 16)                |
| Lee Pkwy [From Hood to Lee Pkwy 1966] | Robert E Lee (1807-1870) - presumed due to proximity to Lee Park | None                                                                                                   | Confederate General              |
| Lemmon            | William H. Lemmon (1840-1893)                               | —Real-estate firm  
—Created Oak Lawn Park ~1892  
—Chair of Democratic executive committee of Dallas  
—Resident of Dallas from 1865-ish on  
—Teacher (Established North Dallas College)  
—Built home called Elmwood at what is now Lemmon/Cole. | Confederate Captain              |
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| Peak        | Jefferson Peak originally named Peak after wife Martha (1801-1885) | — Moved to what became East Dallas in 1855  
— Dallas's first millionaire (likely)  
— businessman  
— donated the land for many East Dallas streets  
— These streets still bear names of members of his family | In 1861, he was enrolling officer for the enlistment of men for the Confederate Army. |
| Young       | Reverend William C Young (1827-1921) | — Built first home in Cedars area  
— reason/pastor for first church of the Methodist denomination in Dallas  
— Street Commissioner  
— District Clerk of Dallas County in 1867 and 1868  
— Served two terms as Alderman from the Fourth Ward  
— donated land for the Scottish Rite Building on Harwood  
— District Clerk 1867-1868 | Missionary Chaplain to the AR Confederate Cavalry. |
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<td>Beauregard</td>
<td>Pierre G.T. Beauregard - not confirmed that street was named after</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Confederate General</td>
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<td>Reagan</td>
<td>John H Reagan (1818-1905) cannot confirmed street named for</td>
<td>U.S. Representative, Texas District Judge</td>
<td>—Secretary of the Treasury</td>
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<td>Forest Ave</td>
<td>Nathan B. Forrest</td>
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<td>Forest Avenue renamed Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd in 1981; &quot;Believed to have been named originally for the Confederate General Nathan B. Forrest. Present spelling, adopted sometime during the 1880s, suggested by the trees which lined the street.&quot;</td>
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Costs Associated with Renaming Specific Streets

Lemmon Avenue

• Cost for Street Name Signs = $361,400
  • 384 Street Name Signs @ $100 = $38,400
  • 54 Signal-mounted signs @500 = $27,000
  • 11 Overhead Guide Signs @ $25,000 = $275,000
  • 2 Ornamental Bridge Identifier @$10,000 = $20,000
  • 2 Service Road Entry Signs @$1,000 = $2,000

• Notification Cost
  • Notices – 635 notices @ $1.07 = $679.45 x 3 = $2,038.35
  • Newspaper advertisement - $212 x 3 = $638
  • “Pending Street Name Change” Signs - $180 (40 signs)

• Signs & Notification - $364,256.35
Costs Associated with Renaming Specific Streets

Gaston Avenue

• Cost for Street Name Signs = $41,400
  • 204 Street Name Signs @ $100 = $20,400
  • 42 Signal-mounted signs @ 500 = $21,000

• Notification Cost
  • Notices – 516 @ $1.07 = $552.12 x 3 = 1,656.36
  • Newspaper advertisement - $212 x 3 = $638
  • “Pending Street Name Change” Signs - $225 (50)

• Signs & Notification - $43,919.36
Costs Associated with Renaming Specific Streets

Lee Parkway

- Cost for Street Name Signs = $400
  - 4 Street Name Signs @ $100 = $400

- Notification Cost
  - Notices – 114 @$1.00 = $121.98 x 3 = 365.94
  - Newspaper advertisement - $212 x 3 = $638
  - “Pending Street Name Change” Signs - $27 (6)

- Signs & Notification - $1,430.94
Costs Associated with Renaming Specific Streets

Beauregard Drive

• Cost for Street Name Signs = $400
  • 4 Street Name Signs @ $100 = $400

• Notification Cost
  • Notices – 2 @ $1.07 = $2.14 x 3 = $6.42
  • Newspaper advertisement - $212 x 3 = $638
  • “Pending Street Name Change” Signs - $9 (2)

• Signs & Notification - $1,053.42
Costs Associated with Renamed Streets

Businesses
- Stationary
- Envelops
- Business Cards
- Promotional items
- Webpage
- Signs
- Vendors
- Insurance
- Utilities

Residences
- Drivers License
- Insurance
- Utilities
- Subscriptions
- Social Security
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