CITY OF WEST DES MOINES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING COMMUNICATION

Date: February 9, 2015

ITEM: Amendment to City Code – Title 7 (Public Ways and Property), Chapter 1 (Streets, Sidewalks, and Alleys), Section 8D (Official Street Name Map) – Approval to include a locational prefix in the name of roadways located south of the Raccoon River – City Initiated MISC-002576-2014

ORDINANCE: Approval of Third Reading and Adoption of Ordinance

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Approximately $20,000.00 for new roadway signs plus staff time for installation. Staff does recommend that the City procure all street sign blades, regardless of public or private; however, it is not recommended that City staff install private signs which would be located on private property.

BACKGROUND: The City of West Des Moines has guidelines for the naming of roadways and assignment of addresses (house/building numbers) to assist emergency services agencies in the timely and efficient provision of services, and to aid residents and visitors in wayfinding. The Addressing Review Committee recommends the City Council approve the addition of a locational prefix for all roads south of the Raccoon River so as to identify these specific areas within West Des Moines (not the Metro). A 'SE' prefix would be added to roadways situated south of the river and east of I-35, and a 'SW' prefix added to roadways situated south of the river and west of I-35.

Upon hearing of the possible street name changes, property owners addressed off the streets indicated below submitted requests to completely change the name of their roadway in conjunction with the addition of the SE/SW prefix. No additional request for street name changes have been submitted. The following street name changes have been requested by the residents:

- S 9th Lane to SE Browns Woods Cove
- S 14th Street to SE Walnut Woods Court
- S 7th Street to SE Browns Woods Lane
- S 6th Court to SE Browns Woods Ridge
- S 4th Street to SE Browns Woods Place
- S 8th Street to SE Soteria Avenue

Browns Woods Court: On November 25, 2013, the City Council approved of the naming of that portion of roadway which connects existing S 1st Street to existing Browns Woods Drive (intersecting/crossing with Veteran's Parkway) as Browns Wood Drive for wayfinding purposes to assisting individuals in finding Browns Woods Park. As part of that action, it was noted that staff would be recommending that the now cul-de-sac portion of current Browns Woods Drive be renamed to 'Browns Woods Court'. Since the naming of the cul-de-sac section to 'Court' affects 3 residents and the address for the new parking area for the park, it was determined that it would be done as part of the action on the SE/SW locational prefix. This street segment will be changed to Browns Woods Court regardless of the vote on the prefix. The four affected property owners will be notified upon final Council action.

East Leg Army Post Road: Due to the construction of Veterans Parkway (fka SW Connector) which resulted in the east and west legs of Army Post Road not being in alignment at the intersection with Veterans Parkway, it is thought that it would be best for emergency response and general wayfinding if one of the legs of Army Post Road is given a new and different name. Per the Council's direction at the July 22, 2013 meeting, since the roadway extends across corporate boundaries, conversation with the City of Des Moines regarding the renaming was to be initiated. The City of Des Moines identified the name of 'Lally Street' as this roadway, although not contiguous, aligns across their City. At the January 12, 2015 meeting, the City Council directed staff to query the property owners addressed off of this segment (seven affected addresses) to attempt to identify an alternate name. As this process will take longer than the time to complete the necessary readings on this ordinance, staff will bring forward the renaming of the east leg of Army Post Road as a separate item. Staff will aim to have a new name identified and the necessary

hearings to change the name completed prior to the finalization and activation of the SE/SW prefix so that these property owners will only be affected by one address change.

Veterans Parkway & Iowa Highway 5: Both of these roadways are considered major roadways that are intended to extend over great distances through multiple cities and counties with limited controlled access. There is no anticipation that any entity will ever have direct access off of either of these roadways, thus it is anticipated that no addresses would be assigned using these road names. Because of intent for consistency of the roadway names across different communities, no locational prefix will be added to either of these roads.

Effective Date: Staff has identified an effective date for the address changes as May 15, 2015 to allow time for various entities address databases and lists to be appropriately updated and any necessary reprogramming completed. If the naming of the east leg of Army Post Road takes longer than anticipated, this effective date may be pushed back.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:
Vote: 3-2
Date: January 12, 2015
Motion: Approval of the First Reading of the Ordinance to include a locational prefix on all roadways south of the Raccoon River.

Vote: 3-2
Date: January 26, 2015
Motion: Approval of the Second Reading of the Ordinance to include a locational prefix on all roadways south of the Raccoon River.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:
Although a second reading of the ordinance, the Mayor opted to re-open the public hearing. James Patten, Lee Fischer, Jim Hawkins, and Jeff Stone spoke in opposition to the proposal.

RECOMMENDATION: The Addressing Review Committee recommends the City Council approve the third reading of the ordinance and adopt the ordinance in final form renaming those roadways located south of the Raccoon River to add either a 'SE' or 'SW' locational prefix and completely changing the name of those streets identified above and as indicated in Exhibit A attached to the Ordinance.

Lead Staff Member: Lynne Twedt, Addressing Administrator

Staff Reviews:

Department Director	
Appropriations/Finance	
Legal	
Agenda Acceptance	RTJ

PUBLICATION(S) (if applicable)

Published In	Des Moines Register Community Section	
Date(s) Published	January 2, 2015	
Letter sent to property owners		12/26/2014

SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW (if applicable)

Committee	Public Safety & CC Workshops		
Date Reviewed	Multiple		
Recommendation	Yes ☒	No ☐	Split ☐

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment A - Ordinance
Exhibit A - Roadway Name Changes

ATTACHMENT A

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When Recorded, Return to: City Clerk, City of West Des Moines, PO Box 65320, West Des Moines, IA 50265-0320

Ordinance No._____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF WEST DES MOINES, IOWA, 2014, TITLE 7 "PUBLIC WAYS AND PROPERTY," BY CHANGING THE NAMES OF ROADWAYS LOCATED SOUTH OF THE RACCOON RIVER WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST DES MOINES, IOWA:

Section 1. Title 7, "*Public Ways and Property*," Chapter 1 "*Streets, Sidewalks and Alleys*", Section 8 "*Street Names*", Paragraph D, "*Official Street Name Map*" is hereby amended by changing the name of the roadways within Polk, Dallas, Warren and Madison Counties, as identified in Exhibit A attached.

Section 2. Subsequent to its adoption and publication, the Mayor and City Clerk shall certify and file this Ordinance with the County Recorder, County Assessor, and County Auditor of Polk County, Dallas County, Warren County and Madison County, all within the State of Iowa.

Section 3. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Savings Clause. If any section provision, sentence, clause, phrase, or part of this Ordinance shall be adjudged, invalid, or unconstitutional such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any provision, section, subsection, sentence, phrase, or part hereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, adoption, and publication as required by law.

Passed and approved by the City Council on the _____day of _____, 2015.

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Steven K. Gaer, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ryan T. Jacobson
City Clerk

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. _____ on the _____ day of _____, 2015.

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Ryan T. Jacobson
City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Existing Roadway Name	New Roadway Name	County
Adams Street	SE Adams Street	Warren
Army Post Road	SE Army Post Road (west of Veterans Pkwy) *Army Post Road east of Veterans Pkwy will be changed under separate ordinance action*	Polk
Beaverbrook Trail	SE Beaverbrook Trail	Warren
Browns Woods Drive	SE Browns Woods Drive	Polk
Browns Woods Drive (easternmost approx. 400')	SE Browns Woods Court	Polk
County Line Road *(Assessor data indicates as 'County Line Road': Residents have informed Staff that it is 'S County Line Road')*	SE County Line Road	Polk
Creekhill Way	SE Creekhill Way	Warren
Fox Valley Court	SE Fox Valley Court	Warren
Fox Valley Drive	SE Fox Valley Drive	Warren
Juliann Road	SE Juliann Road	Polk
Maffitt Lake Court	SE Maffitt Lake Court	Polk
Maffitt Lake Road Maffitt Lake Road	SE Maffitt Lake Road (east of I-35) SW Maffitt Lake Road (west of I-35)	Polk Polk & Dallas
N Greenlee Avenue *(St. John's Cemetery)*	SE Greenlee Avenue	Warren
Pine Avenue	SE Pine Avenue	Polk
S 11th Street	SE 11th Street	Polk
S 12th Street	SE 12th Street	Polk
S 13th Street	SE 13th Street	Polk
S 14th Street	SE Walnut Woods Court	Polk
S 1st Street	SE 1st Street	Polk
S 22nd Street	SE 22nd Street	Polk
S 35th Street	SE 35th Street	Polk Warren
S 42nd Street	SE 42nd Street	Polk
S 4th Street	SE Browns Woods Place	Polk
S 50th Street	SE 50th Street	Polk
S 5th Street	SE 5th Street	Polk
S 6th Court	SE Browns Woods Ridge	Polk
S 7th Drive	SE Browns Woods Lane	Polk
S 8th Street	SE Soteria Avenue	Polk
S 9th Lane	SE Browns Woods Cove	Polk
S Orilla Road	SE Orilla Road	Polk & Warren
S Grosbeak Point	SE Grosbeak Pt	Warren
S Woodbridge Drive	SE Woodbridge Drive	Polk
Sylvan Rill Road	SE Sylvan Rill Road	Polk
Timber Ridge Lane	SW Timber Ridge Lane	Madison
Walnut Woods Drive	SE Walnut Woods Drive	Polk
Willow Creek Street	SE Willow Creek Street	Polk

S 54th Street	SW 54th Street	Polk
S 56th Street	SW 56th Street	Polk
370th Court	SW 370th Court	Dallas
Lake Ridge Drive	SW Lake Ridge Drive	Polk
Landview Drive	SW Landview Drive	Polk
Utica Ln	SW Utica Lane	Dallas