

RESOLUTION NO. 20-1986

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR STREET NAME CHANGE REQUESTS AND ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE FOR THE STAFF TO FOLLOW WHEN A REQUEST FOR A STREET NAME CHANGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

WHEREAS, street name change requests are periodically received by the City staff for the purpose of renaming a street; and,

WHEREAS, the public interest is attached to a street name, and therefore it would be in the public interest to allow public comment before a decision is made to change a street name; and,

WHEREAS, it would be in the City of Abilene's best interest for street name change requests to be heard first by the Planning and Zoning Commission and a recommendation forwarded to the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the City of Abilene's best interest to set out this policy for handling street name change requests, together with the attached procedure for the staff to follow once a request is received; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,

PART 1: That the public interest is deemed to have been attached to a street name and that it is in the public interest to solicit public comment prior to making a decision on a street name change.

PART 2: That the Planning and Zoning Commission be designated as a Board of Recommendation to the City Council concerning street name change requests.

PART 3: That the Planning Commission utilize the same criteria as that utilized in zone change requests that come before the Commission and as set forth in Attachment "A" of this resolution.


PART 4: That this resolution shall take effect from and immediately after its adoption.

ADOPTED this 12 day of June, A.D., 1986

ATTEST:




CITY SECRETARY



MAYOR

APPROVED:



CITY ATTORNEY

ATTACHMENT "A"

Street Name Change Policy

1. Application is submitted to Current Planning staff no less than 21 days prior to the date of the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting at which the request is to be heard. We use the attached application form for such requests, as well as others.
If a Department of the City is the applicant, an application form will be required but no application fee is required. The Department Manager is required to sign an application for his/her Department.
2. All requests and other subdivision-related proposals are submitted to Plat Review Committee members 2-3 days following application submittal.
3. Notice of the Plat Review Committee meeting is posted 4-5 days prior to the meeting. The notice contains the agenda, which itself contains street name change requests.
4. Owners of property within 200 feet of the request are notified of the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting at which the request is to be heard.
5. Notice of the request is published in the newspaper 15 days prior to the date of City Council final action on the ordinance changing the street name.
6. The Plat Review Committee reviews the request and makes a recommendation to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
7. The Planning and Zoning Commission holds a public hearing on the request. If denied and not appealed, the issue is dead for at least one year. If approved or denied and appealed, the request goes to City Council in the form of an ordinance.
8. The City Council considers the ordinance with two readings - the second reading being a public hearing.