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COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department/Division: Board of Commissioners

Department Head: Carol Chandler

Presenter, if needed: Zip Code Committee, if needed

Preferred Meeting Date: Thursday, March 12, 2009

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval of staff's recommendation for the renaming of specified streets in North Fayette County as a result of a request from the US Postal Service.

Background/History/Details:

In response to many years of requests from neighborhoods in north Fayette County, the Postal Service has agreed to change the delivery of mail to areas lying within Fayette County historically served by the Fairburn and Riverdale Post Offices. Later in the year, the Fayetteville Post Office will begin deliver to approximately 2200 addresses in those areas. As a part of the change, the Postal Service has required Fayette County to change the name of nine streets that will become part of the 30214 zip code, because those nine street names or names very similar already exist in the 30214 area, which they do not allow. More importantly for Fayette County, however, is the confusion that duplicate and similar street names create for our 911 Center when responding to calls for help. Staff was asked to evaluate street names suggested by residents on the affected streets in hopes of being able to use them for new street names. A committee of staff members worked to develop the list of new names being recommended to the Board.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Vote to change the names of nine streets in north Fayette County, in accordance with a requirement from the United States Postal Service. See attached memorandum for the list of recommended street names.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

The only known cost will be for changing the street signs.

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past? Yes

If so, when? Wednesday, March 4, 2009

Do you need audio-visual for the presentation? No

Back-up Material Submitted? Yes

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Approved by Finance? Yes

Reviewed by Legal? Yes

Approved by Purchasing? Yes

Approved by Administrative Staff? Yes

Staff Notes

Following the change in these street names, the Postal Service will notify the 2200 addressees of their new addresses and provide their instructions on how to transition from the old address to the new address, etc.

Administrator's Approval Yes

Confirmed Meeting Date Thursday, March 12, 2009

- ○ Recognition/ Presentation
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- ○ New Business
- ◉ Consent
- ○ Report
- ○ Other

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March 5, 2009

To: Board of Commissioners

From: Carol Chandler, Executive Assistant

Subject: Recommendation for Change of Street Names Moved to 30214 Zip Code

You are aware that the U.S. Postal Service is in the process of changing delivery of mail inside Fayette County now being provided by the Fairburn and Riverdale Post Offices. As a part of their process, USPS required that Fayette County change the names of nine streets because exact or very similar street names already exist in the Fayetteville 30214 delivery zone. Three of the streets requiring new names are inside the Landmark Mobile Home Village. The change in *zip code* will affect approximately 2200 addresses. Approximately 125 addressees outside the mobile home park will also receive new street names.

This office notified these 125 addressees of an impending change in their street's name and provided an opportunity for them to submit suggestions for new names. We received several responses but, unfortunately, most of the names submitted were too similar to the existing one (such as changing "Drive" to "Street", etc.) or to a name already in use in the 30214 zone. With the exception of two, we were not able to use the names suggested by those who will be affected, which was disappointing. We had hoped to be able to accommodate the wishes of the affected residents.

The Committee assigned to recommend new street names consisted of:

David Scarbrough, Department of Fire and Emergency Services
Katye Vogt, CAD Manager for our E911 Communications Center
Wendy Brown, Permits & Inspections (assigns new addresses when permits are issued)
Robyn Wilson, Planning & Zoning (works with developers when new streets are named/platted)
Carol Chandler, County Commissioners' Office

The Committee's focus has been to recommend names that would not create confusion when a call for help is received in our E911 Center. Also, there is a County ordinance that prohibits the duplication of street names or even names similar in sound. With that in mind, and with the use of the countywide street index used by our E911 Communications Center for dispatching public safety responders, the Committee developed a list of names for the Board's consideration. These names do not exist anywhere in the County, including within our municipalities. We are recommending the following streets be renamed as follows:

Change Plantation Drive to Smithstone Path
Change Wagon Wheel Way to Cartwright Pass
Change Woodland Road to Basswood Lane
Change Davis Road to Barsi Point
Change Cedar Lane to Jewel Bluff
Change Deercreek Court (Legacy Hills) to Astaire Manor
Change South Ridge Court in Landmark MHP to Moonshadow Ridge
Change Deer Creek Court in Landmark MHP to Gentlemens Row
Change Lakeside Drive in Landmark MHP to Malibu Drive