



Street Renaming Report

Meeting Date: February 10, 2012

Reference Name	Street Renaming – Kitt Creek Road (SN1100001)	Jurisdiction	City of Durham
Request	To conduct a public hearing for the permanent renaming of Kitt Creek Road to Roundhouse Lane		
Applicant	Durham City-County Planning Department	Submittal Date	September 29, 2011
Location	South of Keystone Park Drive, north of the Wake County line and west of South Miami Boulevard. A context map of the area is attached.		
Recommendation	Approval		

A. Summary

This request is to permanently rename Kitt Creek Road, located south of Keystone Park Drive, north of the Wake County line and west of South Miami Boulevard to Roundhouse Lane. This portion of right-of-way extends south approximately 504 feet from Keystone Park Drive in the Keystone Crossing Subdivision to the Durham County-Wake County line. A context map of the area is attached.

The right-of-way renaming proposed to Kitt Creek Road in the Keystone Crossings Subdivision is within one-quarter of a mile of Kit Creek Road (spelled differently) in Morrisville. Emergency services personnel within the two districts are concerned that potential confusion over an address called in from one of these locations could lead to dangerous delays in emergency response by not knowing which street the emergency was called from. The renaming of this street in both Durham and Morrisville to one continuous name in both jurisdictions will eliminate confusion for emergency personnel as well as citizens.

No potential impacts have been identified with the proposed street renamings from staff reviewers. Staff has received no comments from citizens concerning the renamings.

A public meeting was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 to receive public input on the proposed renaming. All adjacent land owners were notified of the meeting. Two members of the public, the Planning Director for the Town of Morrisville and one Morrisville staff member were in attendance and were supportive of the street renaming.

Morrisville staff members have checked with appropriate personnel and have determined the street name of Roundhouse Lane is acceptable for the renaming of the portion of Cullowhee Lane in the Town of Morrisville. This will give the street that

crosses County lines one continuous name in Durham and Morrisville and will eliminate confusion for all emergency personnel.

B. Area Characteristics

The area surrounding the affected right-of-way is zoned Planned Density Residential 8.00 (PDR 8.00). The Durham County-Wake County line running east - west bisects the right-of-way. The properties adjacent to the right-of-way are single family residential homes.

C. Code Requirements

Section 12.3.2, Street Names, of the *Unified Development Ordinance* requires that street names be established for public and private streets that are not duplicated or closely approximating existing street names in the City or County.

D. Service Impacts

Review of the proposed names was completed in coordination with service agencies, departments and divisions. The reviewers found no impacts and have supported the renaming.

E. Staff Analysis

The proposed renaming is intended to prevent potential confusion over an address called in from one of these locations that could lead to dangerous delays in emergency service response. The renaming will affect a relatively small number of existing homes and a few vacant home sites.

F. Recommendation

Staff Recommendation: The staff recommends approval of the permanent renaming of the public right-of-way as described above in the staff report with an immediate effective date.

G. Staff Contact

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H. Attachments

1. Resolution
2. Context Map
3. Aerial Photography Map