



CITY OF DURHAM | DURHAM COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA



Street Renaming Report

Meeting Date: May 4, 2015

Reference Name	Street Renaming – Willow Street (SN1500001)	Jurisdiction	City
Request	To permanently rename a portion of Willow Street to Anchor Way.		
Applicant	Edens Land Crop	Submittal Date	January 5, 2015
Location	South of Ward Street, west of Chester Springs Road		
Recommendation	Approval		

A. Summary

This request is to permanently rename a portion of Willow Street. Willow Street is an existing platted right-of-way located south of Ward Street and west of Chester Springs Road. The street is neither built nor maintained. The portion requested for renaming extends approximately 500 linear feet from the intersection with Ward Street.

This request has been submitted in conjunction with a street closing request for a portion of Willow Street (Case SC140018). The closing, if approved, would create two disconnected sections of Willow Street. In order to improve service response time and avoid potential conflicts, the applicant chose to rename a portion of the street. Ultimately the applicant desires to construct a cul-de-sac in this area to serve seven residential lots. All lots adjacent to the area proposed for renaming are owned by B. Wallace Design & Construction, LLC.

No potential impacts have been identified with the proposed street renaming from staff reviewers, including Durham County EMS. Staff has received no comments from citizens regarding the renaming.

A community meeting was held on Thursday, March 5, 2015 to receive public input on the proposed renaming. All adjacent land owners were notified of the meeting. No comments were received at the meeting and staff has not received any opposition to the renaming of this portion of Willow Street.

B. Area Characteristics

The area adjacent to the right-of-way is zoned RU-5(2) and is located in the Urban Tier. There are five parcels adjacent to this right-of-way, all owned by B. Wallace Design & Construction. This area is also located within the Tuscaloosa Lakewood Neighborhood Protection Overlay district.

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 do not duplicate or closely approximate 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 have indicated no impacts with the request to rename Strategic Drive.

Service Agency Comments		
Service Agency	Comments	How Addressed
NCDOT	No impact	n/a
County - Engineering	No impact	n/a
County - Fire Marshall	No impact	n/a
Durham County Sherriff	No impact	n/a
Emergency Medical Services	No impact	n/a
911	No impact	n/a
Durham Public Schools	No impact	n/a
City - Transportation	No impact	n/a
City - Engineering	No impact	n/a
City - Fire Department	No impact	n/a
City – Parks and Recreation	No impact	n/a
City – Solid Waste	No impact	n/a
City – Inspections	No impact	n/a
City – General Services	No impact	n/a
Police Department	No impact	n/a
Duke Energy	No impact	n/a
PSNC	No impact	n/a
Frontier	No impact	n/a
Tax Assessor Office	No impact	n/a
Address Coordinator, GIS	No impact	n/a

E. Staff Analysis

The area adjacent to the right-of-way is zoned RU-5(2) and is in the Urban Tier. There are five parcels of land along this right-of-way which will be affected by this renaming request. Staff finds no issues with the request to rename this portion of Willow Street to Anchor Way.

F. Recommendation

The staff recommends approval of the permanent renaming of this portion of Willow Street to Anchor Way.

G. Staff Contact

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H. Attachments

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