

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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Keith Macedo

12/8/2020

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (170)

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

Staff recommends the re-naming of W Pike St to W Gecko Ln.

Budget Impact:

Account Number

Fund

Project Number

Project Title

Budgeted Item? NA

Current Budget

Funds Obligated

\$ -

Current Balance

\$ -

Does item have a cost? No

Item Cost

Budget Adjustment Attached? NA

Budget Adjustment

Remaining Budget

\$ -

V20180321

Purchase Order Number: _____

Previous Ordinance or Resolution # _____

Change Order Number: _____

Approval Date: _____

Original Contract Number: _____

Comments:



TO: Mayor Lioneld Jordan

THRU: Susan Norton, Chief of Staff

FROM: Keith Macedo, Director of Information Technology
Greg Resz, GIS Manager

DATE: December 8, 2020

SUBJECT: Staff recommends the re-naming of W Pike St to W Gecko Ln

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the re-naming of W Pike St to W Gecko Ln.

BACKGROUND:

W Pike St is located just south of the VA Hospital/UAMS complex and is approximately 400 feet long. There are two residences located on this road that have an address associated with W Pike St.

DISCUSSION:

City Ordinance mandates that the GIS Office present all street name changes to the City for approval. The street name change was brought to the GIS Office by Ms. Ann Mesrobian, a resident of W Pike St. Ms. Mesrobian has requested that W Pike St be changed to W Gecko Ln, which was chosen from the City's pre-approved street name list. Two structures would be affected by a street name change. Ms. Ann Mesrobian has reached out to the other resident that would be affected by the street name to let them know of her request. If approved the GIS Office would notify the appropriate entities, notify the affected residences, and make the appropriate changes to City land record systems.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

Cost of a two new road signs and letters to notify property owners of renaming of road.

Attachments: Staff Review Form, Staff Review Memo, Area Map



 Proposed Renaming

W Gecko Ln

Fayetteville, AR

11/19/2020



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December 7, 2020

To: Fayetteville, AR, City Council, for consideration December 15, 2020

Re: Proposal to change name of W. Pike Street to W. Gecko Lane

At a time when the world is being ravaged by a deadly pandemic and our country is challenged by divisive culture wars, it makes no sense to continue honoring a historic figure known to espouse white supremacy. Following the example set by Fort Smith, where both Albert Pike Elementary School and Albert Pike Boulevard are being renamed, I propose that the City of Fayetteville rename W. Pike Street.

W. Pike Street is one block long, appears to be landlocked, and only two houses address on it. An additional 5 properties border Pike Street. Every neighbor I was able to contact was enthusiastic about the name change:

- “Gecko” conveys the whimsical nature of our Wilson Park neighborhood (and will inspire clever yard art as a bonus!)
- “Lane” seems more fitting than “Street” for a one-block-long stretch of pavement.

Attached is the list of names, addresses and signatures I was able to collect.

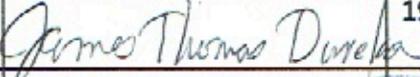
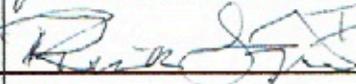
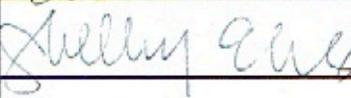
Many thanks for considering this request.

--Respectfully submitted by Ann Mesrobian, owner/occupant of 19 W. Pike Street

To: Fayetteville City Council, Fayetteville, Arkansas, December 15, 2020

Re: Proposal to change name of W. Pike Street to Gecko Lane

We the undersigned residents of Fayetteville, Arkansas own or rent property that borders on W. Pike Street and are in favor of changing the name of W. Pike Street to Gecko Lane.

Printed Name	Signature	Address	own/rent	date
Ann Mesrobian		19 W Pike St	own	11/30 2020
James Thomas Dureka		19 W Pike St	own	11/30 2020
Rick Squires		16 W Pike St	rent	"
Susan Garriss		931 N Highland Ave	own	11/30
Shelley Simmons Shelley		1010 N Park Ave	own	11/30
		944 N Park Ave		
		23 W North St		
(appears to be vacant)		1009 N Highland Ave		