### AGENDA REQUEST

FOR: COUNCIL MEETING OF March 4, 2014

# FROM: CITY COUNCIL MEMBER Adella Gray

# **ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION TITLE AND SUBJECT:**

A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF ARBUCKLE LANE TO WOODWARD LANE

## **APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

City Council Member Adella Gray

City Attorney Kit Williams (as to form)

2214 Date



## **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMO**

To: Mayor Lioneld Jordan
Thru: Scott Huddleston
From: Greg Mitchell
Date: 1-27-2014
Subject: Renaming Arbuckle Lane to Woodward Lane

### **DESCRIPTION:**

This is a proposal to rename S Arbuckle Ln to S Woodward Ln. Arbuckle Ln is a one-block long existing city street that runs south off of Martin Luther King Blvd, one block west of Razorback Rd. (See attached map) There are no homes or businesses addressed off of it.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The name change has been suggested by Glen "Rusty" Woodward, whose father R G Woodward owned and operated "The Parts Store" which for many years was a business on the corner of Arbuckle and MLK (then Sixth Street). "The Parts Store", which sold auto parts, is no longer in business, and R.G. "Glen" Woodward died in 2011. Rusty Woodward wishes to honor his late father and their family business by renaming the street after him.

The City has a Street Name and Address Committee which makes recommendations about proposed street names. This committee operates in an avisory capacity only; the Council has final authority on all street name changes. The Committee is composed of three members, one each from the GIS office, and the Police, and Fire Departments. The committee has a series of guidelines it uses to inform its decisions, which are primarily intended to maximize public safety and minimize confusion in emergency situations. The guidelines include the following statements that are relevent to this proposal:

- ... in order to reduce confusion, street names will not be similar in spelling and phonetics to an existing street.
- There will be a limit on the number of streets with the same word in the name (e.g. Blue Willow, Blue Orchard, Blue Stone, Blue Mist, Blue Mesa, etc.). The limit on these types of street names will be six (6) maximum.
- Historically used road names should be retained where possible.
- There shall be no use of family names or individual names, especially living persons and living politicians.

Based on these guidelines, the Street Name and Address Committee has unanimously rejected the name "Woodward" Lane. Some of their comments:

- "Currently 16 other street in the city beginning with wood-, including S Wood Ave."
- "City street naming guidelines do not permit naming of streets after people unless there is a cultural or historic significance"
- "Reject multiple names in the city with the name Wood. Also violated guidelines as it is a name"

**<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u>** Staff recommends against approval of the Resolution.

# BUDGET IMPACT: \$100.00 for street sign

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF ARBUCKLE LANE TO WOODWARD LANE

# BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

<u>Section 1</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby changes the name of Arbuckle Lane to Woodward Lane.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

By: SONDRA E. SMITH, City Clerk/Treasurer

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