



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting July 14, 2020  
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting July 21, 2020

**DATE:** July 1, 2020  
**TO:** Peter Zanoni, City Manager  
**FROM:** Richard Martinez, Director  
Public Works Department  
[richardm5@cctexas.com](mailto:richardm5@cctexas.com)  
(361) 826-3419

### Ordinance Renaming William Street to Lomax Street

#### **CAPTION:**

Ordinance changing the name of William Street to Lomax Street located in City Council District 1.

#### **SUMMARY:**

The City received an application from Janet Maxwell to rename William Street, which runs from Shoreline Boulevard to Lower Broadway Street, to Lomax Street.

#### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Janet Maxwell submitted a preliminary request to rename William Street to Lomax Street. The City Secretary and the City Traffic Engineer reviewed the request to determine compliance per *Section 49-1* and *Council Policy No. 7, Naming of Streets of the City Code*. It was determined that the request did not comply with *Council Policy 7.b.4* because "William Street" is reflected on the 1852 Plan of Corpus Christi and has existed, within the original boundary of the 1852 Plan of Corpus Christi, for a period of greater than 50 years. Both constituted reasons why the request was initially determined to be in non-conformance with *Council Policy No. 7*.

On December 20, 2019, the City Secretary notified the City Council of the street renaming request and the determination that it did not satisfy the Council Policy. At the next available Council meeting on January 14, 2020, City Council directed the City Secretary to move forward with the request. Mrs. Maxwell submitted an official application and associated fees to the City to further research and process the request.

City ordinance requires that all affected property owners be contacted and surveyed to demonstrate support or opposition to the street renaming. Only three (3) properties were identified to be addressed off of William Street. All three (3) properties were owned by the applicant, Janet Maxwell. Since greater than 75 percent support was achieved, the City Traffic Engineer was required to obtain comment in writing from the Director of Engineering, City Utilities Office Manager, Director of Planning, City Landmark Commission, Police Chief, Nueces County Historical Society, Fire Chief, Nueces County Historical Commission and Postmaster. Amongst the officials, committees and organizations surveyed, only the Landmark Commission expressed opposition to the street renaming.

If the ordinance is approved, a copy must be provided to all the officials, committees, and organizations who were surveyed. The cost for fabrication and field installation cost must be paid by the applicant prior to replacement of street name signage. If the application is denied any fees paid to the City to process and research the application is non-refundable.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve Renaming of William Street to Lomax Street.
2. Do not Renaming of William Street to Lomax Street.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact of for providing comment.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

City Staff recommends City Council conduct a public hearing to determine whether adoption of the ordinance is warranted based on Section 49-1 of the City Code.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Ordinance

Presentation

Preliminary Street Renaming Application

Surveys