Naming or Renaming a Public Street  
in the City of St. Louis

There are three street naming or renaming processes for public streets in the City of St. Louis. (The naming or renaming of private streets is not addressed in this document. Inquiries regarding private streets should be directed to the City's Zoning Section, (314) 622-3666.) The processes cover the following three different circumstances:

1. Naming or renaming of an existing street.
2. Naming of a new street within a resubdivision approved by the City’s Board of Public Service.
3. Honorary naming of an existing street.

In general, the first street naming/renaming process applies to those cases where an existing street name is proposed to be renamed. The second street naming process is used in those cases where a new street is being constructed and a name needs to be assigned to the street. Both of these processes are fairly lengthy due to reviews by a number of parties. The third street naming process is much shorter and is used in those cases where the street’s current official street name will be retained, but an honorary street name will also be designated for a one-block segment of the street. For example, the block of Clark Ave. between 14th St. and 16th St. in Downtown has been honorarily designated as Brett Hull Way and an honorary street sign for Brett Hull Way has been installed -- in addition to the existing Clark Ave. street sign -- at the intersection of Clark Ave. and 14th St. (Please note that the City’s Planning and Urban Design Agency is not involved in the honorary street naming process.)

This package includes all of the information needed to name or rename a street. This includes enabling legislation, flow charts and forms for each of the three processes. Since the flow charts are intended to provide a general set of steps, it’s important to also refer to the enabling legislation for a more detailed set of procedures, requirements and criteria.

Please review the attached information and determine which of the three street naming or renaming processes you’d like to pursue.

Questions should be directed to the Executive Director of the Planning and Urban Design Agency, (314) 657-3848.
NAMING OR RENAMING AN EXISTING STREET IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS
ORDINANCE #68604  
Board Bill No. 325  
Committee Substitute

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

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D. The Planning and Urban Design Agency shall, prior to making its determination with respect to the petition, permit any interested party an opportunity to appear before the Commission and be heard. In its discretion, the Commission may hold a public hearing regarding the petition.

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C. It does not detract from our historical heritage by renaming a street which name has greater significance than the proposed name; and

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Petitioner pays $100 to Clerk of Board of Aldermen for costs of public hearing

Public notice posted in newspaper 15 days prior to public hearing & placard posted on site 10 days prior to public hearing

Public hearing held by Board of Aldermen’s Streets, Traffic and Refuse Committee

Board Bill follows City’s legislative process

If approved, PDA notifies petitioner & relevant City departments

Approve petition with such modifications or conditions as Commission shall deem appropriate

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Name of Person, Business or Organization Requesting Naming or Renaming of an Existing Public Street:

_______________________________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________ Zip _________

Name of Contact Person ____________________________________________

Telephone Number ________________________________________________

Please attach a general location map of the street.

NAME SIGNIFICANCE

This page is very important and will weigh heavily in the decision to approve/deny your request.

The proposed street name _________________________________
has the following significance:

The current street name _________________________________
has the following significance:
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AN EXISTING PUBLIC STREET

We, the undersigned owners of fifty one (51%) percent or more of the recorded parcels of land fronting the affected street, do hereby state as follows:

That by signing this document, we register with the Planning and Urban Design Agency of the City of St. Louis our approval to rename the street as follows:

Current Street Name:________________________________________________

Proposed Street Name:______________________________________________

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A letter of support is required from the alderman of each ward in which the street to be named or renamed is located. For example, if the street you wish to name or rename travels through three wards, you will need letters of support from all three aldermen.

Submit original petition with Alderman’s letter to:

City of St. Louis Planning & Urban Design Agency
Attention: Executive Director
1520 Market St.
Suite 2000
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_______________________________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________ Zip _________

Name of Contact Person ____________________________________________

Telephone Number ________________________________________________

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C. It does not detract from our historical heritage by renaming a street which name has greater significance than the proposed name; and

D. It names or renames all segments of the same street within the boundaries of the City of St. Louis as to avoid the previous confusion that has resulted when just a portion of street was renamed provided, however, that a “street”, “avenue”, or “boulevard” designation may be changed to “place”, “terrace” or other suitable designation if a segment of said street has been permanently closed by ordinance; and

E. When a street is to be named or renamed for a person:

1. The petition shall not be filed until after the first anniversary of such person’s death; and

2. Only such person’s last name shall be used as a street name unless additional identification is necessary to prevent a duplication of street names in the metropolitan area.
LETTER OF ALDERMANIC SUPPORT

A letter of support is required from the alderman of each ward in which the street to be named or renamed is located. For example, if the street you wish to name or rename travels through three wards, you will need letters of support from all three aldermen.

Submit original petition with Alderman’s letter to:

City of St. Louis Planning & Urban Design Agency
Attention: Executive Director
1520 Market St.
Suite 2000
St. Louis, MO 63103
HONORARY NAMING OF AN EXISTING PUBLIC STREET IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS
ORDINANCE #68937  
Board Bill No. 8  
Committee Substitute

An ordinance amending Ordinance 65233 authorizing the designation of honorary street names within the City of St. Louis, the basis for recognition, requiring payment for the cost and installation of honorary signs and requiring sixty percent of the registered voters to indicate by petition the honorary renaming.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS Follows:

SECTION ONE. Ordinance 65233, approved June 29, 2001, is hereby amended to read as follows:

A. Whenever the Board of Aldermen for the City of St. Louis determines to recognize an individual or group of individuals by naming a street or other public easement in honor of such individual or group of individuals, the street or other public easement shall retain its official name and its legal status, and a suitable sign shall be installed by the Director of Streets at the location designated by the ordinance indicating the name of the individual or group of individuals to be so honored. The ordinance shall also include the basis for the individual or group of individuals to be so honored by an honorary street name.

B. The actual costs for the manufacturing, installation and any other related costs for the honorary street name sign shall be paid to the Street Department prior to the manufacturing and installation of said sign by the individual or group of individuals requesting the honorary street name sign.

C. 60 percent (60%) of the registered voters residing and/or owning a business on the block being renamed, indicate by petition that they desire the street to receive the designation of an honorary name.

Approved: July 5, 2011
Process for Honorary Naming of a Public Street

Petitioner consults with Alderman

Petition filed by 60% of registered voters residing and/or owning a business on the block(s) being renamed that they support the honorary street naming

If approved, Clerk of Board of Aldermen prepares a Board Bill

Public hearing held by Board of Aldermen’s Streets, Traffic and Refuse Committee

Board Bill follows City’s legislative process

Costs for manufacturing, installation and related costs for the honorary street name sign shall be paid to Street Department by individual(s) requesting the honorary street name sign

Street Department manufactures and installs suitable sign

Please note that the Planning and Urban Design Agency is not involved in the honorary street naming process.
FOR DISCUSSION WITH ALDERMAN

Name of Person, Business or Organization Requesting Honorary Naming of an Existing Public Street in the City of St. Louis:

_______________________________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________ Zip _________

Name of Contact Person ____________________________________________

Telephone Number ________________________________________________

Current official street name: _________________________________________

Location of street segment to be honorarily named:

from ___________________________ to ______________________________

Proposed honorary street name:______________________________________

Please attach a general location map of the street.

NAME SIGNIFICANCE

This page is very important and will weigh heavily in the decision to approve/deny your request.

The proposed honorary street name _________________________________

has the following significance: