Official Minutes

BOARD OF HONOR

Meeting July 27, 2022

Members Present:Vivian Creighton Bishop
David Ebron
Beth Harris
Judge Bobby Peters
Barbara Pierce
John Wells

A meeting of the Board of Honor was called to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Ground Floor Conference Room, at the Government Center, by Mr. John Wells. During this meeting the following items were voted upon, and their recommendations are as follows:

1. Approval of minutes for the December 9, 2021, meeting.

Mr. Wells made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Harris and carried unanimously by the six members present.

2. Request: Honorary Designation for Streets

- Honoree: Adlena Austin Spencer
- Requestor: Queen Scott
- Location: Gleason Avenue (from Forrest Road to Memphis Street)
- Signage: Aldena Austin Spencer Avenue
- Opposition: none
- Attachment(s): Application, Google Map, Email Correspondence from Engineering Department

Ms. Harris made a motion to approve the request as presented, seconded by Mr. Wells, and carried unanimously by the six members present.

3. Request: Honorary Designation for Streets

- Honoree: Ronnie Duckworth, Sr.
- Requestor: Tony Thornton
- Location: 35th Street (from 3rd Avenue to 4th Avenue)

- Signage: Ronnie Duckworth, Sr. Street
- Opposition: none
- Attachment(s): Application, Google Map, Email Correspondence from Engineering Department

Ms. Pierce made a motion to approve the request as presented, seconded by Ms. Bishop and carried unanimously by the six members present.

4. Request: Honorary Designation for Streets

- Honoree: Reverend Benjamin F. McGruder, Jr.
- Requestor: Lewis Memorial Baptist Church
- Location: Adair Avenue (Adair Court to Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard)
- Signage: Rev. Benjamin F. McGruder, Jr. Avenue
- Opposition: none
- Attachment(s): Application, Google Map, Email Correspondence from Engineering Department

Mr. Wells made a motion to approve the request as presented, seconded by Judge Peters, and carried unanimously by the six members present.

Referrals to City Council of Columbus, Georgia

- 1. The requestor of an honorary street designation must be a person and not listed as an organization or group.
- 2. Each honorary street designation request must be accompanied by a petition with at least ten signatures, to include names, addresses, and phone numbers.
- 3. Impose a time limit on honorary street designations.
 - a. Each honorary street designation will be erected for a limit of five years, with the option to renew the honorary designation for two additional five-year terms upon the approval of the Board of Honor.
 - b. Each renewal must be accompanied by a petition with at least ten signatures, to include names, addresses, and phone numbers.

5. Action Needed: Board of Honor Chairperson

Board Secretary Lindsey G. McLemore explained with the passing of former Chair Bob Hydrick, the board needs to appoint a new chairperson. She stated Ms. Beth Harris has expressed a willingness to serve as the Chair for the Board of Honor if there was no objection or if no other board member was able to.

Judge Peters made a motion to appoint Ms. Beth Harris as the Chair for the Board of Honor, seconded by Mr. Wells and carried unanimously by the six members present.

With no further business to come before this board, Mr. Wells made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Bishop and carried unanimously by the six members present for the meeting, and the time being 3:23 p.m.

Lindsey G. McLemore, Deputy Clerk of Council Recording Secretary