Meeting Date: March 28, 2023	Budgeted Amount: N/A
Department: Admin	Prepared By: Dave McCorquodale

Subject

Discussion on a request from Living Savior Lutheran Church to rename Louisa Street north of Eva Street.

Recommendation

Listen to the request, discuss with the church, and provide direction to staff on whether to move forward with the requested change.

Discussion

Living Savior Lutheran Church has requested to change the north end of Louisa Street to Church Street. This would also include renaming the existing Church Street along the south side of the church's parking lot. The church's address is currently on Pond Street, and they believe visitors have difficulty finding the existing parking lot that fronts Louisa Street. The church intends to change their mailing address from Pond Street to the existing Louisa Street which would direct mapping software users to the church's primary parking lot.

Staff has reviewed the history of naming Louisa Street and with the help of the Montgomery Historical Society learned that the street was named for Louisa Arnold, daughter of Dr. E. J. Arnold who built the Arnold Simonton home. The home was built in 1845 and originally located on Louisa Street south of Eva Street. The Arnold Simonton home is currently located in Fernland Historical Park.

The request to rename the northern end of Louisa Street would not affect the historical significance of the southern end of Louisa Street where the Arnold Simonton home was originally located. There is one resident on the northern end of Louisa Street and staff contacted them to get their input on the request. If comments are received by the time of the meeting, they will be provided to city council.

There is no action requested at this meeting. Listen to the request from the church and provide direction to staff on whether to bring this item back to city council for action. A map is attached for reference.

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