



CITY OF ST. HELENS PLANNING DEPARTMENT

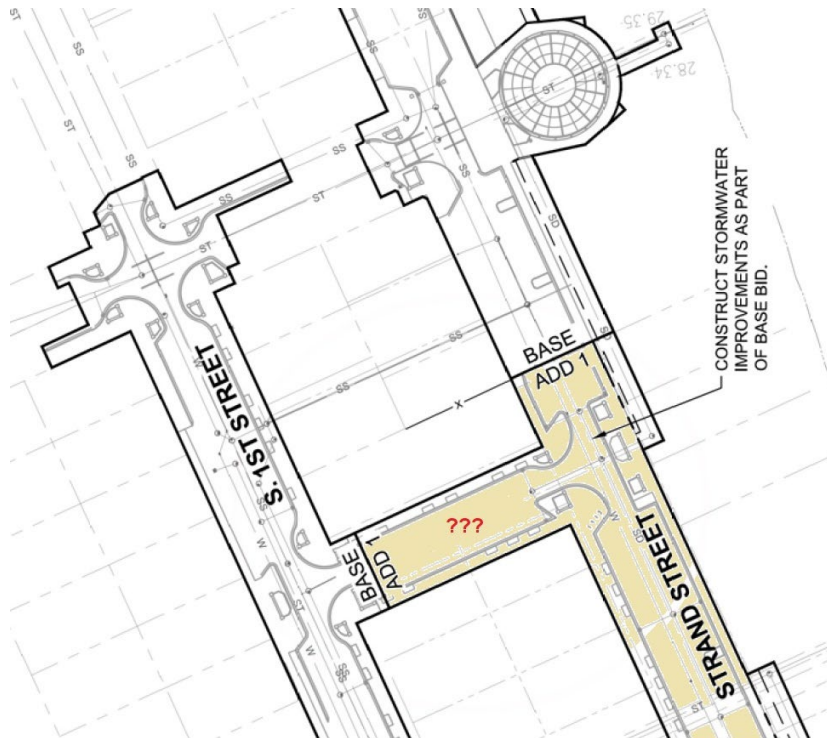
MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council
FROM: Jacob A. Graichen, AICP, City Planner
RE: Renaming of “Mill Street” in the Riverfront District
DATE: February 21, 2023

As part of the Riverfront District redevelopment the street stub next to 330 S. 1st Street that will be extended to the southerly extension of Strand Street needs to be renamed.

Per Ordinance No. 707, which vacated some of this street right-of-way in 1941, this street was sometimes called Mill Street. There is already a Mill Street within St. Helens city limits off N. Vernonia Road. For proposed subdivisions, we consult with Columbia 9-1-1 to ensure new street names are not duplicative. Mill Street is clearly duplicative (and thus won't work) and any new name will still be checked with Columbia 9-1-1 as we do with subdivisions.

As a minor street not aligned with the overall street grid (i.e., midblock street), it will be most appropriate to call it “_____ Way,” similar to “John Gumm Way” between S. 3rd and 4th Streets within the 200 block. **So, it is a question of what word to put before Way.**



Left: The yellow highlighted streets are areas to be extended, eventually, as part of the Riverfront District redevelopment.

The midblock street segment, apparently sometimes known as “Mill Street” decades ago need to be renamed to something Way. For example, “Any Way.”

The name could be anything such as a historical reference, important person, something related to Halloweentown or something cute like “Any Way” or Getoutofmy Way.”

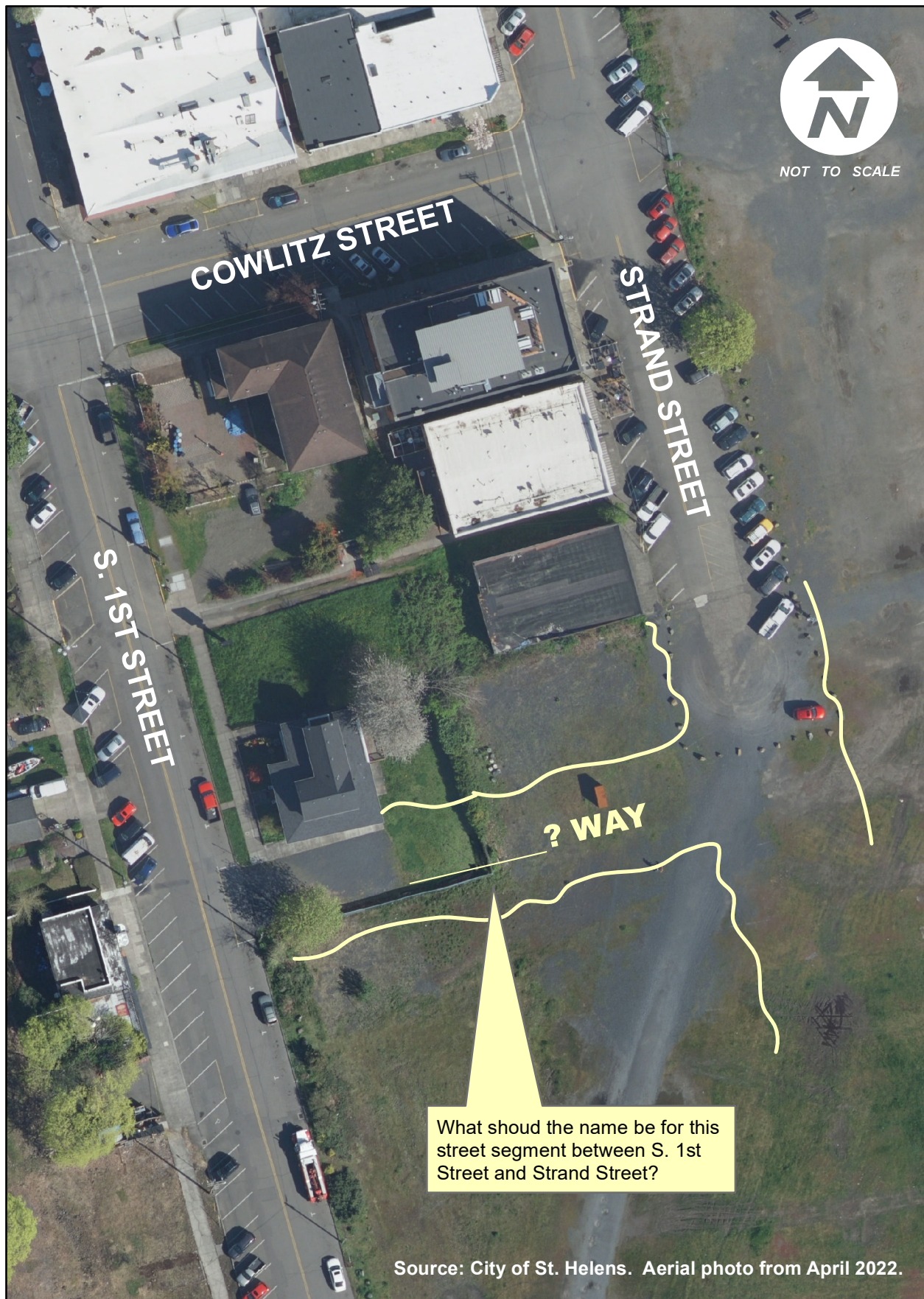
ORS 227.120 provides the procedure for renaming streets. This includes:

1. Review and recommendation from the Planning Commission.
2. Public hearing before the City Council
3. Adoption of street rename by Ordinance.
4. Filing with the County (clerk, assessor, surveyor)

At this time, staff is looking for any name ideas or other input from the Council before initiating the formal process with the Planning Commission. We need to make sure it is unique so Columbia 9-1-1 will accept it.

To get the conversation started, there has been some dialogue to use the name Frogmore. The wastewater treatment pond area used to be called Frogmore Slough.

Attached: aerial photo map



NOT TO SCALE

COWLITZ STREET

STRAND STREET

S. 1ST STREET

? WAY

What should the name be for this street segment between S. 1st Street and Strand Street?

Source: City of St. Helens. Aerial photo from April 2022.