



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
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Signature Report

June 6, 2016

Ordinance 18299

Proposed No. 2016-0226.1

Sponsors Dunn

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to road names; providing for
2 the honorary designation of county roads; and amending
3 Ordinance 8766, Section 10, as amended, and K.C.C.
4 16.08.060.

5 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 6 1. On August 19, 2013, the King County council passed Ordinance 17640
7 establishing a process by which a member of the public could request an
8 honorary street designation as an alternate to changing the street name.
- 9 2. An honorary street name is a secondary name for a street or a portion
10 of a street but does not replace the legal street name.
- 11 3. Honorary street name designation is limited to individuals,
12 organizations, entities and events of local significance to the county as
13 determined by the council.
- 14 4. Designation of an honorary street name requires council approval by
15 ordinance.

16 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

17 SECTION 1. Findings: The council finds honorary street designations a worthy
18 and respectful method of recognizing individuals, organizations, entities and events of

19 local significance to the county and wishes to streamline the process for those
20 designations.

21 SECTION 2. Ordinance 8766, Section 10, as amended, and K.C.C. 16.08.060 are
22 each hereby amended to read as follows:

23 A.1. Notwithstanding K.C.C. 16.08.010 and 16.08.020, the council reserves the
24 option of changing street names or changing numbered streets to named streets.

25 2. An application to the council for street renaming shall contain the signatures
26 of the majority of persons having ownership in properties addressed on the street to be
27 renamed.

28 3. The council shall mail notice of a proposed name change to all property
29 owners whose addresses would be changed at least twenty days before council action. A
30 change of street name shall be accomplished by the adoption of an ordinance.

31 B. The council shall consider technical input from the department, locational and
32 development characteristics relative to the street, and the impact of the change on existing
33 businesses and residences, as well as on emergency vehicle responsiveness, in
34 determining whether the change should be made. Only entire street lengths or distinct
35 major portions of streets shall be separately renamed by the county. For purposes of this
36 chapter, "distinct major portions" shall mean a separate portion of a street identifiable by
37 either a directional shift of a least forty-five degrees or an interrupted interval of at least
38 one quarter mile.

39 C.1. An honorary street designation is a secondary name for a street or a portion
40 of a street that does not replace the legal name of the street. The honorary street
41 designation shall be denoted by signage that augments but does not replace signage for

42 the legal street name required for emergency service access. If a street or a portion of a
43 street, except intersecting streets, has been designated with an honorary street name, no
44 other honorary name shall be given to the street or section of a street. The signs shall
45 meet the standard street sign criteria for size and shape with a brown background and
46 white lettering, and shall be placed underneath signs designating the legal street name.

47 2. The council may make an honorary designation of a street or portion of a
48 street by the adoption of an ordinance. Honorary street name designation shall be limited
49 to individuals, organizations, entities and events of local significance to the county as
50 determined by the county council. Except as otherwise provided in subsection C.5. of
51 this section, ~~((F))~~the actual costs of manufacturing, designing and installation of signage
52 or any replacement signs due to damage, theft or vandalism shall be paid to the road
53 services division by the applicant requesting the honorary designation before the signage
54 is manufactured and installed.

55 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection C.5. of this section, ~~((A))~~an
56 application to the council for honorary street renaming shall contain a list of all persons
57 having ownership in properties addressed on the street, or portions thereof, to be given
58 the honorary designation and the signatures of the majority of those persons indicating
59 acquiescence in the honorary street designation. The application shall include a
60 statement recognizing that costs defined in subsection C.2. of this section shall be borne
61 by the applicant and noting that the legal name of the street will not change.

62 4. The council shall mail notice of a proposed honorary name designation to all
63 property owners on the ~~((affected))~~street, or portion thereof, to be given the honorary
64 designation at least twenty days before council action.

65 5. The council, by motion, may propose an honorary name designation. By that
66 motion, the council shall direct the road services division to prepare a list of the names
67 and addresses of all property owners on the street, or portion thereof, to be given the
68 honorary designation. The motion shall establish when the list shall be sent to the clerk
69 of the council, who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy to all
70 councilmembers, the council chief of staff, the policy staff director and the lead staff for
71 the transportation economy and environment committee or its successor. The notice
72 required by subsection C.4. of this section shall also advise the affected property owners
73 that the costs, described in subsection C.2. of this section, shall be borne by the road
74 services division, or its successor, and that the legal name of the street will not change.

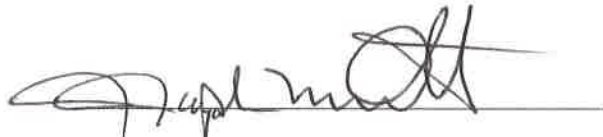
75 6. Honorary street designations made by the executive before August 19, 2013,
76 and street signs installed to effectuate such honorary street designations are hereby
77 approved. The road services division shall maintain, repair or replace the signs as

78 necessary or due to damage, theft or vandalism. Signage for honorary street designations
79 referenced in this section may be modified at the discretion of the director.
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Ordinance 18299 was introduced on 4/18/2016 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/6/2016, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn,
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles
and Ms. Balducci
No: 0
Excused: 0


KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:


Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 16th day of June, 2016.


Dow Constantine, County Executive

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Attachments: None