

Ordinance No. 769

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 1 as said section is amended by Ordinance No. 499, Section 2 and Section 3, Chapter IX, of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, enacted as a whole July 2, 1940, and made effective August 5, 1940, which Section 1 related to numbering of houses and now relates to names of streets, which Section 2 related to duties of City Manager with respect to house numbering and now relates to a uniform system of numbering properties, which Section 3, relates to numbering in violation, defacing or removing numbers and penalties for violation, and which said Chapter IX relates to streets and sidewalks generally.

WHEREAS it is the desire of the City Council in the interest of the health, welfare and safety of its citizens to clarify and systematize the street naming pattern for the City of Alexandria, and to provide a uniform system of numbering properties in said City.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 1, as amended by Ordinance No. 499, Chapter IX, of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, enacted as a whole July 2, 1940, and made effective August 5, 1940, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 1. NAMES OF STREETS.

For the purpose of clarifying and systematizing the names of streets there is hereby established and adopted the following official street naming plan in the City of Alexandria, Virginia:

(a) All of the existing names of streets within the present corporate limits of the City of Alexandria shall be retained and shall be so designated on the official map cited in (c) below with the exception of those names listed in (b) below.

(b) On July 1, 1953, the names of the following streets shall be changed and re-named and designated by their new names on the official map cited in (c) below as follows:

NEW NAME	OLD NAME	GENERAL LOCATION
Bragg Street	No Name	Lincolnia, south of Duke St.
Beauregard Street	Rte. 613, S. Walter Reed Drive	Between King & Duke Sts.
Calhoun Avenue	Patton Boulevard	Dowden Terrace
Chambliss Street	Seminary Drive	Dowden Terrace
Cockrell Avenue	No Name	Alnor Heights
Colfax Avenue	Marshall Boulevard	Dowden Terrace
Courtney Avenue	Courtney Drive	Courtney Subdivision
Dawes Avenue	Wainwright Blvd.	Dowden Terrace
Dearing Street	Brad Lee Street	Brad Lee Towers
DeBray Street	Candlida St. (N-S portion)	Delta Subdivision
Donelson Street	Ft. Worth Drive	Delta Subdivision
Dove Street	Dale Street	Duke St.-Telegraph Rd.
Duke Street	Little River Turnpike	

Early Street	Ft. Williams Drive & Major Barbara Street & part of Old Mill Road	Delta
Echois Avenue	Forest Street	Washington Forest
Fairbanks Avenue	Galle Street	Shirley Gardens
Fillmore Avenue	No Name	Ft. Ward Heights
Floyd Street	Washington Street	Washington Forest
Foster Avenue	Sandy Drive	Quaker Park
Frazier Street	Joyce Street	Shirley Gardens
French Street	No Name	Piney Court
Frost Street	Cornella Drive	Quaker Park
Garfield Avenue	Crawford Street	Piney Court
Gordon Street	No Name	Ft. Ward Heights
Henry Street	Diesel Road	Duke Street
Howard Street	Old Georgetown Road	Westover
Imboden Street	Regina Street	Shirley Duke
Ingalls Avenue	Bertland Street	Shirley Duke
Iverson Street	Tacoma Avenue	Brad Lee
Jay Avenue	Highview Drive	Shirley Duke
Jefferson Davis Hwy.	Tasby Place	Brad Lee
Jordan Street	River Road	Potomac Yards
Jason Avenue	Donmanton Boulevard	Shirley Duke
Keller Avenue	Severen Avenue	Brad Lee
Kenwood Avenue	Trilby Street	Brad Lee
King Street	Cypress Street	Fairlington Area
Lawrence Avenue	Leesburg Turnpike	Fairlington Area
Notabene Drive	Pine Street	Piney Court
	4 Mile Road (Old Dominion Blvd. to Notabene)	
Pegram Street	Valley Lane (Yeole-North to right angle)	Seminary Hill
Pickett Street	Valley Lane (Seminary Road South)	Seminary Hill
Pierpont Street	Brandywine	Monticello Park
Polk Avenue	Yeole Avenue	Seminary Hill
S. Quaker Lane	Seminary Lane	Cameron Park Area
Reynolds Street	Edsall Road (Duke St. S. to right angle)	Edsall Area
Richmond Highway	Hunting Creek Road	US No. 1 at Hunting Creek
Rosser Street	King Blvd.	Dowden
Raleigh Avenue	Lynnwood Street	Shirley Duke
Sanford Street	Alexander Street	Mt. Ida
Stevens Street	Davis Avenue	Dowden
Stevenson Avenue	Service Road No. 4	Lincolnia
Dogwood Drive	Community Drive	Kenwood
Taft Street	Candida (E-W portion)	Delta
Taylor Run Pky. W.	Burgess Drive	West End
Taney Avenue	Briland Street	Shirley Duke
VanDorn Street	Lincolnia Road (Edsall Road to S.C.L.)	Edsall Area
Wheeler Avenue	Old Mill Road	
30th Street	Central Avenue	Ft. Ward Hts.

(c) The official names of all streets within the City are hereby declared to be those names shown on a map entitled "Official Street Naming Map City of Alexandria, Virginia", dated February 24, 1953 and on file in the office of the Director of Planning, which map is hereby made a part of this section and said map and all notations, references and other data shown thereon is by this reference made a part hereof to the same extent as if the information set forth on said map were fully described and incorporated herein.

(d) All streets hereafter named, and running in a general eastward direction shall be designated as avenues, and all streets hereafter named and running in a generally north-south direction shall be designated street. In the case of diagonal streets, the City Planning Commission shall designate the direction to be applied.

(1) In that portion of the city lying east of Quaker Lane, names shall be in harmony with the existing developments insofar as possible.

(2) In the area west of Quaker Lane an alphabetical progression of names shall be instituted, based upon a rectangular grid whose eastern base line shall run in a northerly direction passing thru the intersection of Duke Street & Quaker Lane and the intersection of King Street & Quaker Lane; and whose northern base line shall be at right angles to the eastern base line and pass thru the northernmost corner of the city limits west of Quaker Lane.

(3) Each base line shall be subdivided into sections 600 ft. in length. Beginning at the intersection of the base lines, each 600 foot shall be lettered alphabetically beginning with A and proceeding South and east thru W at which point a new alphabet beginning with A shall be begun.

(4) Street names shall be assigned beginning with that letter in whose interval the street or its proposed extension begins. Streets running in a generally east-west direction shall bear names of persons or places prominent in American History; streets running in a generally north-south direction shall, insofar as possible, bear the names of Confederate military leaders.

(e) Effective on the passage of this ordinance, the City Planning Commission is hereby empowered to assign names to all newly acquired or dedicated streets in accordance with the provisions of (d).

(f) It shall be the duty of the City Planning Commission to keep said official map current and up-to-date by adding streets and their newly designated names as soon as said streets are dedicated or acquired by the City. In addition the Commission shall at the same time notify the United States Post Office and all City Departments of the location and new name of said streets.

(g) The name of any street designated by the official map hereinabove adopted or by subsequent designation by the Planning Commission shall not be changed or renamed except by the adoption of an ordinance by the City Council.

(h) As soon as practicable after the passage of this ordinance the Director of Planning shall notify in writing the owners of all property having frontage on any street listed in (b) above, of the change and this notice

shall set forth the old name, the new name, and the effective date of Change.

Section 2. That Section 2, Chapter IX, of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, enacted as a whole July 2, 1940, and made effective August 5, 1940, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 2. UNIFORM SYSTEM OF NUMBERING PROPERTIES.

For the purpose of providing a uniform system of numbering properties there is hereby established and adopted the following official uniform numbering system in the City of Alexandria, Va.

(a) All of the existing assigned numbers of properties or principal buildings located east of the present right of way of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad shall be retained and shall be so designated on the official map cited in (b) below except that when any principal building is hereafter erected or located within that area numbers shall be established as near as practicable in conformity with the uniform system herein established.

(1) For all streets running in a general east-west direction numbers shall begin with 100 at Union Street and proceed westerly at the rate of 100 numbers per block to and including Callahan Drive. From Callahan Drive westerly to the City limit, 100 numbers shall be assigned to each 525 foot interval measured along the extension of the Centerline of Duke St.

(2) For streets running in a general north-south direction the following system shall be followed as nearly as possible:

a. In the area east of the RF & P RR and a line extending due south from the intersection of Callahan Drive and Duke St., King St. shall be used as a base line. Numbers shall start at King St. and proceed north and south along north-south streets at the rate of 100 numbers per block beginning with No. 100 at King St.

b. In the area west of the line specified in a. and east of Quaker Lane the block divisions (100 numbers) shall follow, as closely as possible, the existing blocks north of Duke St.; south of Duke St. the division lines shall be extensions of the streets now existing south of Duke St. and east of the line before mentioned. Duke St. shall be the division line between north and south streets and numbers shall start at 1 at Duke St.

c. In the area west of Quaker Lane, Duke St. shall be the zero base line. The extensions of the centerline of King St. shall be taken as the 100 line north and block to the north of this line shall be spaced at intervals of 300 feet. South of Duke St. the system set up in b. above shall be followed.

(b) The official uniform system of numbering properties and principal buildings within the City is hereby declared to be as shown on a map entitled "Uniform Numbering System, Alexandria, Virginia," dated February 24, 1953, which is filed in the office of the Director of Public Works and which map is hereby made a part of this section and said map and all notations, references and other data shown thereon is by this reference made a part hereof to the same extent as if the information set forth on said map were fully described and incorporated herein.

(c) All properties or principal buildings within the corporate limits of the City of Alexandria, Virginia shall hereafter be identified by reference to the uniform numbering system herein adopted and shown on said official map.

(d) A separate number shall be assigned for each twenty (20) feet of frontage.

(e) Each principal building shall bear the number assigned to the frontage on which the front entrance is located. In case a principal building is occupied by more than one business or dwelling unit, each separate front entrance of such building shall bear a separate number.

(f) Numerals indicating the official numbers for each principal building or each front entrance to such building shall be posted in such a manner as to be visible from the street on which the property is located.

(g) The City Manager, or his authorized representative shall be responsible for maintaining the numbering system. He shall establish all property numbers and in the performance of this duty shall follow the provisions of this ordinance. He shall furnish all owners of property with the information necessary for them to place numbers upon their properties and shall upon request by any owner, issue a certificate of number applicable to such property.

(h) Whenever any principal building shall be erected or located in the City of Alexandria after the adoption of this ordinance, in order to preserve the continuity and uniformity of the numbering system and numbers of buildings and properties, it shall be the duty of the owner to procure the correct number or numbers as designated from the City Manager and to immediately fasten the said number or numbers so assigned upon said building.

(i) All existing numbers of property and buildings not now in conformity with the provisions of the numbering system of this ordinance shall be changed to conform to the system herein adopted and the numbers established by the City Manager within three (3) months after receipt of notice that such change is necessary.

(j) In order to facilitate the numbering of properties and principal buildings not now in conformity with the provisions of this ordinance, the Council shall, by informal resolutions, designate in which of the areas shown on the map as "A", "B", "C" etc. the City Manager shall establish the new numbers in conformity with the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 3. That Section 3, Chapter IX, of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, enacted as a whole July 2, 1940, and made effective August 5, 1940, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3. NUMBERING HOUSES IN VIOLATION; DEFACING OR REMOVING NUMBERS.

Any person who shall number or attempt to number a principal building or property otherwise than in conformity with Sec. 2 of this Chapter, or who shall deface, alter or remove a number placed upon a principal building in accordance with Section 2 of this Chapter, shall upon conviction be fined not less than \$5.00 and not more than \$50.00. Section 2. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of the council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

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