

Introduced by Council Member White:

ORDINANCE 2025-652

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING CHAPTER 745 (ADDRESSING AND STREET NAMING REGULATIONS), *ORDINANCE CODE*; RENAMING A ROADWAY CURRENTLY IDENTIFIED AS "MANNING CEMETERY ROAD" TO "SOLOMON ROAD" IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 12; DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION TO FORWARD A COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE, ONCE ENACTED, TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISIONS, FOR PROCESSING AND COORDINATION WITH 911 EMERGENCY, THE JACKSONVILLE FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT, THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, AND OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Addressing Section of the Public Works Department, Development Services Division, received notifications from the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department ("JFRD") and the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office that properties with a Manning Cemetery Road address have been addressed in a manner that causes delays in the emergency response system; and

WHEREAS, the addressing issue being corrected via this road renaming stems from incorrect data being entered in the City's addressing system and other mapping systems, including numerous addresses that were addressed from incorrect roads, addresses that were out of sequence, roads that were improperly named, and various map sources such as Google displaying different versions of the area addresses, all of which prevented JFRD from quickly responding to an emergency call received in the area; and

1 **WHEREAS**, this concern was presented to the 911 Emergency
2 Addressing and Advisory Committee ("911 Committee") on January 3,
3 2024, to determine whether an address change was appropriate to
4 correct the issue; and

5 **WHEREAS**, on January 3, 2024, the 911 Committee voted to re-
6 name "Manning Cemetery Road" to "Solomon Road" to allow emergency
7 services to promptly identify, locate and access the road in the
8 event of an emergency and a copy of the Minutes of said meeting have
9 been placed **On File** with the Legislative Services Division; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the 911 Committee subsequently held several additional
11 public meetings on March 6, 2024, May 9, 2024, June 5, 2024, July 11,
12 2024, November 6, 2024, January 8, 2025, and June 4, 2025, regarding
13 the Manning Cemetery Road street renaming and discussed updates and
14 inquiries from affected residents; and

15 **WHEREAS**, a copy of the Minutes of each public meeting have been
16 placed **On File** with the Legislative Services Divisions; and

17 **WHEREAS**, on April 29, 2024, Council Member Randy White held a
18 community meeting at the Chaffee Road Library Branch to discuss the
19 issue concerning the addresses and the proposed new road name, and a
20 copy of the Minutes of said community meeting have been placed **On**
21 **File** with the Legislative Services Division; and

22 **WHEREAS**, on May 9, 2024, the Addressing Section staff presented
23 an update to the 911 Committee regarding the April 29th community
24 meeting, particularly, relating to naming three streets, renaming
25 Manning Cemetery Road and assigning new addresses to the affected
26 properties; and

27 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to subsection 745.105(i)(6), *Ordinance Code*,
28 the Addressing Section mailed notification letters on July 1, 2024,
29 and November 4, 2024, to affected property owners requesting the
30 property owners to indicate their consent or objection to the proposed
31 street renaming and a copy of the notification letters have been

1 placed **On File** with the Legislative Services Division; and

2 **WHEREAS**, on February 3, 2025, the Addressing Section mailed
3 Second Notice letters to affected property owners who failed to
4 respond to the November 1, 2024, notification letters and a copy of
5 the February 3, 2025, letters have been placed **On File** with the
6 Legislative Services Division; and

7 **WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2025, the Addressing Section mailed
8 letters to affected property owners who returned the required forms
9 blank or with missing information, and a copy of the Missing or Blank
10 Consent/Object Form letters have been placed **On File** with the
11 Legislative Services Division; and

12 **WHEREAS**, two property owners consented to the proposed street
13 renaming, four property owners objected, four property owners
14 returned blank forms, and the remaining ten property owners failed
15 to respond; and

16 **WHEREAS**, a spreadsheet of the various consents, objections, and
17 non-responses has been placed **On File** with the Legislative Services
18 Division; and

19 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 745.105(j)(10), *Ordinance Code*,
20 fifteen affected property owners are deemed to have consented to the
21 proposed street renaming due to their non-response to the written
22 notifications; and

23 **WHEREAS**, in addition, the Community Planning Division,
24 Historic Preservation Section of the Planning and Development
25 Department issued a Memorandum with a recommendation to approve the
26 renaming of "Manning Cemetery Road" to "Solomon Road" and a copy of
27 said Memorandum has been placed **On File** with the Legislative Services
28 Division; and

29 **WHEREAS**, on April 23, 2025, the Jacksonville Historic
30 Preservation Commission held a public meeting during which it
31 considered this matter and voted to accept the Historic Preservation

1 Section's recommendation to rename "Manning Cemetery Road" to
2 "Solomon Road" and a copy of the relevant portions of the transcript
3 of said meeting has been placed **On File** with the Legislative Services
4 Division; and

5 **WHEREAS,** upon this legislation becoming effective the City
6 will install a new street sign at the affected roadway segment to
7 reflect "Solomon Road" as the designated street name; and

8 **WHEREAS,** the City Council desires to correct this matter by
9 renaming the affected portion of "Manning Cemetery Road" to "Solomon
10 Road"; now therefore

11 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

12 **Section 1. "Manning Cemetery Road" Renamed as "Solomon**
13 **Road".** The portion of roadway currently identified as "Manning
14 Cemetery Road" is hereby renamed to "Solomon Road" by which name such
15 street and physical location shall be hereafter known and designated.
16 Copies of various maps depicting Solomon Road and the affected
17 addresses have been placed **On File** with the Legislative Services
18 Division.

19 **Section 2. Direction to Chief of the Legislative Services**
20 **Division.** The Chief of the Legislative Services Division is hereby
21 directed to send a copy of this Ordinance, once enacted, to the Public
22 Works Department, Development Services and Traffic Engineering
23 Divisions, for processing, implementation, and coordination with 911
24 Emergency, the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department, the U.S.
25 Postal Service, and other affected agencies and organizations.

26 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall
27 become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming
28 effective without the Mayor's signature.

1 Form Approved:

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3 /s/Cherry S. Pollock

4 Office of General Counsel

5 Legislation Prepared By: Cherry S. Pollock

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