

Introduced by Council Member Pittman:

**ORDINANCE 2024-44-W**

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING CHAPTER 745 (ADDRESSING AND STREET NAMING REGULATIONS) *ORDINANCE CODE*; TO RE-NAME WEAVER ROAD EXTENDING FROM AVENUE "B" TO A DEAD END AS "CHARLIE E. MCCLENDON ROAD" IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 8; RECOGNIZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF CHARLIE E. MCCLENDON; WAIVER OF SECTION 745.105 (I) (2), *ORDINANCE CODE*, WHICH REQUIRES THAT THE HONOREE BE DECEASED FOR AT LEAST FIVE (5) YEARS; DIRECTING THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION TO FORWARD THIS ORDINANCE TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOR PROCESSING, IMPLEMENTATION, AND COORDINATION WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION, 911 EMERGENCY, FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT, THE POST OFFICE AND OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Addressing Division, of the Planning and Development Department, received an application to re-name "Weaver Road" to "Charlie E. McClendon Street" in honor of Minister Charlie E. McClendon who has served the Jacksonville area for more than 50 years; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1973, Minister Charlie E. McClendon became the pastor of Northside Church of Christ located at Almeda Street; and

**WHEREAS**, under Minister McClendon's leadership, church attendance increased causing the need for a new church building; and

1       **WHEREAS**, Minister McClendon, on behalf of the Church, purchased  
2 vacant land located at 4736 Avenue B, and constructed a church  
3 sanctuary, an educational building and a family life center on the  
4 property; and

5       **WHEREAS**, as church membership continued to grow, the surrounding  
6 neighborhood received the greatest benefit having Minister McClendon  
7 as the lead pastor at Northside Church due to his strong connection  
8 and presence in the community; and

9       **WHEREAS**, the motto of Northside Church of Christ is "Love Will  
10 Keep Us Together"; and

11       **WHEREAS**, Minister Charlie E. McClendon is responsible for saving  
12 many souls and close to 500 members at the Church; and

13       **WHEREAS**, the Church runs several ministries for youth, women,  
14 girls, boys, married couples, singles and seniors; and

15       **WHEREAS**, the Church has run a summer camp program since 1982  
16 which serves children of working families requiring childcare during  
17 summer school breaks; and

18       **WHEREAS**, annually, in November, the church holds a Community Day  
19 and Fish Fry and gives away food to approximately 300 attendees; and

20       **WHEREAS**, there are so many more charitable programs run by the  
21 Church including a clothing closet and back to school Rally giveaways;  
22 and

23       **WHEREAS**, Minister Charle E. McClendon accepts numerous speaking  
24 invitations and travels, nationwide, to conduct workshops and  
25 seminars to numerous Church of Christ parishioners on the subjects  
26 of church growth and development; and

27       **WHEREAS**, in 1997, Minister Charlie E. McClendon formed Northside  
28 Community Involvement, Inc., a non-profit corporation where its  
29 primary mission involved providing resources to families living  
30 within a three-mile radius of the Church; and

31       **WHEREAS**, the Northside Community Involvement, Inc., proudly,

1 offers programs such as: a full daycare center for infants and after-  
2 school care, adult literacy classes, GED programs, Empowerment  
3 Conferences and many others; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Northside Community Involvement partners with United  
5 Way and Feeding Northeast Florida due to Minister McClendon's  
6 leadership; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in addition to his remarkable and unwavering  
8 contributions to Northside Church of Christ Church and Northside  
9 Community Involvement, Charlie E. McClendon has received a number of  
10 awards and recognitions; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Minister McClendon has been awarded recognition and  
12 awards for: Grand Park Community services rendered, 2007 Cambridge  
13 Who's Who Executive Professional Entrepreneur Lifetime Membership,  
14 1996 ILA Local 1408 Award, 2013 SDDC Military Surface Deployment and  
15 Distribution, Certified Leader of Family Dynamics Institution  
16 Seminars; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Minister McClendon was honored in 2006 and 2015 with  
18 Resolution 959-A for the Working to Improve Neighborhoods (WIN)  
19 program, and Resolution 678-A for 42 loyal years pastoring Northside  
20 Church of Christ; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the Florida Times-Union recognized Minister McClendon's  
22 40 years of service at Northside Church of Christ; and

23 **WHEREAS**, City of Jacksonville former Mayor John Peyton  
24 proclaimed May 29, 2013 as "Charlie and Ida McClendon Day;" and

25 **WHEREAS**, the street name change from "Weaver Road" to "Charlie  
26 E. McClendon Road" affects the address assignment of eight (8)  
27 property owners; and

28 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 745.105 (j)(10), Ordinance Code,  
29 the Planning and Development Department mailed written notifications  
30 on August 15, 2023, and on September 15, 2023, to the affected  
31 property owners requesting the affected property owners to indicate

1 their written consent or objection to the proposed street re-naming.  
2 A copy of the first and second written notifications are attached as  
3 **Exhibit 1** and **Exhibit 2**; and

4 **WHEREAS**, initially, the owner of three properties objected to  
5 the street re-naming, but later consented after receiving a third  
6 letter from the Planning and Development Department and additional  
7 information about the street re-naming. A copy of the initial  
8 objection, the third letter and consent are attached as **Exhibit 3**,  
9 **Exhibit 4** and **Exhibit 5**; and

10 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 745.105 (j)(10), Ord. Code, the  
11 remaining affected property owners are deemed to have consented to  
12 the proposed street re-naming due to their non-response to the written  
13 notifications. A copy of the spreadsheet of affected property owners  
14 is attached as **Exhibit 6**; and

15 **WHEREAS**, on September 6, 2023, the 911 Emergency Addressing  
16 Advisory Committee reviewed the street name request and voted to  
17 accept the Staff Recommendation to re-name "Weaver Road" to "Charles  
18 E. McClendon Road". A copy of the minutes of the September 6, 2023,  
19 public meeting of the 911 Emergency Addressing Advisory Committee is  
20 attached as **Exhibit 7**; and

21 **WHEREAS**, on September 27, 2023, the Jacksonville Historic  
22 Preservation Commission ("JHPC") voted to adopt the Staff Report with  
23 a recommendation for approval to re-name "Weaver Road" to "Charlie  
24 E. McClendon Road". A copy of the JHPC agenda, Staff Report and the  
25 excerpt minutes of the September 27, 2023 public meeting of the  
26 Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission are attached hereto as  
27 **Exhibit 8** and **Exhibit 9**; and

28 **WHEREAS**, the applicant has remitted the payment required for the  
29 street name change. A copy of the payment receipt and invoice is  
30 attached as **Exhibit 10**; and

31 **WHEREAS**, the Council finds it appropriate to change "Weaver

Road" to "Charlie E. McClendon Road"; and

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

**Section 1. Weaver Road re-named as "Charlie E. McClendon Road."** Weaver Road extending from Avenue B to the dead end is hereby re-named as "Charlie E. McClendon Road" by which name such street and physical location shall be hereafter known and designated. A copy of the map of "Charlie E. McClendon Road" is attached hereto as **Exhibit 11.**

**Section 2. Waiver of Section 745.105 (i)(2), Ord. Code.** Section 745.105 (i)(2), Ord. Code which requires that the honoree be deceased for at least five (5) years is waived because the proposed street name of "Charlie E. McClendon Road" is long overdue for the honoree.

**Section 3. Directing Legislative Services to forward a copy to the Planning and Development Department.** The Chief of Legislative Services is requested to send a copy of this legislation, once enacted, to the Planning and Development Department, Addressing Unit, for processing, implementation, and coordination with 911 Emergency, Fire and Rescue Department, the Post Office, Public Works Department, Traffic Engineering Division and other affected agencies and organizations.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

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