

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2022-793

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Pittman

Date of Introduction: October 25, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: NCPHS, R, TEU

Date of Analysis: October 27, 2022

Type of Action: Honorary roadway designation; Ordinance Code waivers; direction to Legislative Services Division

Bill Summary: The bill makes an honorary naming designation on the portion of Myrtle Avenue from 5th Street to 6th Street in Council District 8 in honor of Fred William Callahan and authorizes the installation of two roadside markers. It waives the provisions of Ordinance Code Chapter 745 – Addressing and Street Naming Regulations – which require that the honoree be deceased for at least 5 years and that the honoree must have resided in the community within five (5) miles of the designated street for at least 10 years. The Legislative Services Division is directed to send a copy of the enacted legislation to the Planning and Development Department to coordinate with the Public Works Department on implementation.

Background Information: Mr. Callahan was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in the U.S. Marines and as a Green Beret. For many years owned and operated several businesses including Skinner’s Florist at 1519 Myrtle Avenue until his death in 2019, and was also a well-known concert promoter booking major pop and R&B acts. The Ordinance Code is being waived because Mr. Callahan has not been deceased for the required 5 years before an honorary road designation is made and because he did not live within 5 miles of the road being designated for 10 years. The honorary designation covers the block of Myrtle Avenue where Skinner’s Florist is located.

Policy Impact Area: Honorary roadway designation

Fiscal Impact: None to the City; the applicant will pay for the installation of the road signs.

Analyst: Clements