

1 Introduced by the Transportation, Utilities and Energy Committee and
2 amended by the Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and
3 Safety Committee:
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6 **ORDINANCE 2024-968-E**

7 AN ORDINANCE REGARDING CHAPTER 745 (ADDRESSING
8 AND STREET NAMING REGULATIONS), *ORDINANCE CODE*;
9 RENAMING "WICKER ROAD", LOCATED SOUTH OF
10 CASTLEBERRY ROAD IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 8, TO
11 "ALEXIS ROAD"; WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT OF
12 SUBSECTION 745.105(C), *ORDINANCE CODE*, THAT THE
13 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SEND WRITTEN
14 NOTIFICATIONS TO AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS;
15 WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION
16 745.105(E), *ORDINANCE CODE*, THAT THE HISTORIC
17 PRESERVATION COMMISSION REVIEW ALL STREET NAME
18 CHANGES; WAIVING THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION
19 745.105(L), *ORDINANCE CODE*, THAT THE CITY HOLD
20 TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS AT LEAST TEN DAYS AFTER THE
21 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROVIDES
22 WRITTEN NOTICE TO EACH AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNER
23 OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PLACE SIGNS IN
24 CERTAIN LOCATIONS ADVERTISING SAID PUBLIC
25 HEARINGS; DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF THE LEGISLATIVE
26 SERVICES DIVISION TO FORWARD A COPY OF THIS
27 ORDINANCE, ONCE ENACTED, TO THE PLANNING AND
28 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, ADDRESSING UNIT, AND THE
29 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT; REQUESTING ONE CYCLE
30 EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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1 **WHEREAS**, the Planning and Development Department's Addressing
2 Division received information from a resident who advised they were
3 not receiving mail at the property located at 14274 Wicker Road; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the City's addressing data indicates that the road
5 currently known as "Wicker Road" (previously named "Alexis Road") is
6 located south of Castleberry Road while the remaining "Alexis Road"
7 is located north of Castleberry Road; and

8 **WHEREAS**, in 1979, the City Council enacted Ordinance 79-914-
9 427 which re-named 6th Street to Alexis Road (north and south); a copy
10 of Ordinance 79-914-427 is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**; and

11 **WHEREAS**, several years later, the City Council enacted
12 Ordinance 85-162-79 which closed the northern portion of Alexis Road,
13 north of Castleberry Drive; a copy of Ordinance 85-162-79 is attached
14 hereto as **Exhibit 2**; and

15 **WHEREAS**, on May 5, 1998, the Chief of the City's Streets and
16 Drainage Division of the City's Public Works Department confirmed
17 that the street name change of "Alexis Road" to "Wicker Road" should
18 have been made solely to the northern portion of "Alexis Road"; a
19 copy of the Memorandum from Lynn A. Westbrook, P.E., Chief of Streets
20 and Drainage to Attached Addressees and a Map of the affected roadways
21 are attached hereto as **Exhibit 3**; and

22 **WHEREAS**, instead, City of Jacksonville records incorrectly
23 reflect a street name change to the southern portion of "Alexis Road"
24 to "Wicker Road"; and

25 **WHEREAS**, "Wicker Road" does not exist in Google Maps; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the Council seeks to correct this matter by renaming
27 "Wicker Road", located south of Castleberry Road, as "Alexis Road";
28 and

29 **WHEREAS**, the Planning and Development Department, Community
30 Planning Division, issued a Staff Report with a recommendation for
31 approval to re-name "Wicker Road" located south of Castleberry Drive

1 back to the original name of "Alexis Road"; a copy of the Community
2 Planning Division Staff Report is attached hereto as **Exhibit 4**; and

3 **WHEREAS**, on November 6, 2024, the 911 Emergency Addressing
4 Advisory Committee voted to accept the staff recommendation to re-name
5 "Wicker Road" located south of Castleberry Road back to "Alexis Road";
6 a copy of the minutes of November 6, 2024, meeting of the 911 Emergency
7 Addressing Advisory Committee reflecting this action is attached here
8 as **Exhibit 5**; now therefore

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

10 **Section 1. Wicker Road Re-Named as "Alexis Road."** Wicker
11 Road located south of Castleberry Road is hereby re-named to "Alexis
12 Road" by which name such street and physical location shall be
13 hereafter known and designated. A copy of the map of "Alexis Road"
14 is attached hereto as **Exhibit 6**.

15 **Section 2. Waiver of Subsection 745.105(c), Ordinance Code.**
16 Section 745.105(c), *Ordinance Code*, which requires the Planning and
17 Development Department to send two written notifications to affected
18 property owners is hereby waived as there are three residents
19 currently assigned to Wicker Road. However, these three residents are
20 not receiving their mail due to the incorrect addressing data. On
21 November 1, 2024, the City's Addressing Staff mailed letters to the
22 affected residents which provided notice of the November 6, 2024, 911
23 Emergency Addressing Advisory Committee's meeting but no one
24 objected, commented or attended the meeting (Copies of the letters
25 are attached hereto as **Exhibit 7**).

26 **Section 3. Waiver of Subsection 745.105(e), Ordinance Code.**
27 Section 745.105(e), *Ordinance Code*, requiring the Historic
28 Preservation Commission to review all applications for renaming of
29 City streets is hereby waived. The next meeting of the Historic
30 Preservation Commission will occur on December 11, 2024, after final
31 City Council approval of this Ordinance which would cause additional

1 delays for the residents on Wicker Road who are not receiving their
2 mail.

3 **Section 4. Waiver of Subsection 745.105(1), Ordinance Code.**

4 Subsection 745.105(1), *Ordinance Code*, requiring the City to hold two
5 public hearings at least ten days after the Planning and Development
6 Department provides written notice to each affected property owner
7 of the public hearings and places signs in certain locations
8 advertising said public hearings is hereby waived. Recognizing the
9 affected residents are not receiving their mail, emergency passage
10 of this legislation is requested which leaves insufficient time for
11 proper notice and advertisement of the public hearings as required
12 by the Code.

13 **Section 5. Direction to Chief of Legislative Services.** The

14 Chief of Legislative Services is hereby directed to send a copy of
15 this legislation, once enacted, to the Planning and Development
16 Department, Addressing Unit, and the Public Works Department for
17 processing, implementation, and coordination with 911 Emergency, Fire
18 and Rescue Department, the U.S. Postal Service, Google and other
19 affected agencies and organizations.

20 **Section 6. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**
21 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this
22 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that
23 residents are not receiving their mail due to the incorrect addressing
24 data.

25 **Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become

26 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
27 without the Mayor's signature.

1 Form Approved:

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3 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

4 Office of General Counsel

5 Legislation Prepared By: Cherry S. Pollock

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