



City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Agenda - Final

Neighborhoods Committee

*Chairperson Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney
Vice Chair Betsy Sundermann
Councilmember Wendell Young
Vice-Mayor Christopher Smitherman*

Monday, November 29, 2021

10:00 AM

Council Chambers, Room 300

SPECIAL MEETING

AGENDA

1. [202103091](#) **ORDINANCE**, dated 11/09/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

Sponsors: Mayor

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

2. [202103144](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) (B VERSION)**, dated 11/09/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of "Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way" in honor of Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and in recognition of his contribution and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

Sponsors: Mayor

Attachments: [Ordinance](#)

3. [202103109](#) **ORDINANCE**, dated 11/10/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge in memory of the Moon Tree, a large sycamore tree descended from seeds carried on the Apollo 14 mission to the moon and planted in the South Fairmount neighborhood.

Sponsors: Mayor

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

4. [202103114](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Seelbach and Young, **WE MOVE** that the Administration convert the underutilized block of W 12th, between Central Ave & Central Parkway to long term metered parking at the same rate structure as the adjacent parking in existence on Central Ave, for the purpose of providing price sensitive workers & visitors increased parking options while better utilizing a city asset. This block of Parking in the West End adjacent to Over-the-Rhine has one of the lowest meter utilizations in the greater Downtown area, at below 15% utilization on average, as compared with the national standard goal of 85% utilization (for comparison, Vine Street often surpasses 90% utilization). Providing price sensitive low & moderate wage workers and guests an appropriately priced long term parking solution in a low demand area will increase overall meter utilization & provide diverse parking options for the urban core.

Sponsors: Seelbach and Young

Attachments: [Motion 202103114](#)

5. [202103143](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, dated 11/18/2021, submitted by Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that Considine Avenue at the intersection with Warsaw Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name "Sergeant Charles F. Handorf Memorial Way" in memory of Cincinnati Police Sergeant Charles F. Handorf and in recognition of his service to the City of Cincinnati.

Sponsors: Smitherman

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

ADJOURNMENT

202103091
Date: November 9, 2021

To: Mayor John Cranley
From: Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor *AWG*
Subject: **Ordinance – Honorary Street Name Dr. Steven Reece Way**

Transmitted herewith is an ordinance captioned as follows:

DECLARING that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

AWG/JRS/(lnk)
Attachment
352812

City of Cincinnati

JRS

AWG

An Ordinance No. _____

- 2021

DECLARING that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece is a longtime civic leader, businessman, entrepreneur, and leader in civic empowerment in the City of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece graduated from Withrow High school in 1965; and

WHEREAS, following the 1968 riots in the City, Dr. Reece developed Operation Step Up which helped inner city youths with musical talents; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece was the Chief of Staff to the City's first African American Mayor, Ted Barry, in 1972 at the age of 27; and

WHEREAS, after leaving City Hall, Dr. Reece founded Communiplex as an advertising, marketing, and promotions company and was a founding member of the first African American Chamber of Commerce in Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece has served on the national boards for Rev. Jesse Jackson's Rainbow Push Coalition and Dr. Martin Luther King's Operation Breadbasket; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece has served at the New Friendship Baptist Church, has a doctorate degree from Temple Bible College, and is active in the Masons, including by organizing the Black and White Masons to engage for the first time in fraternal recognition; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece's contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati and its citizens will long be remembered; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road as Dr. Steven Reece Way in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering's procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That a copy of this ordinance be sent to Dr. Reece and his family via the office of Mayor John Cranley.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Date: November 9, 2021

To: Mayor John Cranley
From: Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor *AWG*
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Honorary Street Name Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way (B
VERSION)**

Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

DECLARING that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way” in honor of Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

AWG/JRS/(lnk)
Attachment
352812.2

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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AWB

An Ordinance No. _____

- 2021

DECLARING that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way” in honor of Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece Sr. is a longtime civic leader, businessman, entrepreneur, and leader in civic empowerment in the City of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. graduated from Withrow High school in 1965; and

WHEREAS, following the 1968 riots in the City, Dr. Reece Sr. developed Operation Step Up which helped inner city youths with musical talents; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. was the Chief of Staff to the City’s first African American Mayor, Ted Barry, in 1972 at the age of 27; and

WHEREAS, after leaving City Hall, Dr. Reece Sr. founded Communiplex as an advertising, marketing, and promotions company and was a founding member of the first African American Chamber of Commerce in Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. has served on the national boards for Rev. Jesse Jackson’s Rainbow Push Coalition and Dr. Martin Luther King’s Operation Breadbasket; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. has served at the New Friendship Baptist Church, has a doctorate degree from Temple Bible College, and is active in the Masons, including by organizing the Black and White Masons to engage for the first time in fraternal recognition; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and his late wife, Barbara Reece, owned a meeting and banquet center in Bond Hill known as Integrity Hall, which was the largest Black-owned commercial mixed-use development in the City in 1988; and

WHEREAS, for over 20 years, Integrity Hall remained an entrepreneurship center for Black businesses, hosting over 3,000 events, including banquets, weddings, receptions, seminars, family reunions, private parties, and rallies, which included three presidential rallies; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece Sr.’s contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati and its citizens will long be remembered; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way” in honor of Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road as “Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way” in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering’s procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That a copy of this ordinance be sent to Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and his family via the office of Mayor John Cranley.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to allow the Department of Transportation and Engineering to move forward with the administrative requirements related to the honorary naming of streets to provide for the ceremony and dedication of the honorary street name at the earliest possible time.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

202103109

Date: November 10, 2021

To: Mayor John Cranley

From: Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor

AWG

Subject: Ordinance – Honorary Street Name Moon Tree Bridge

Transmitted herewith is an ordinance captioned as follows:

DECLARING that the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge in memory of the Moon Tree, a large sycamore tree descended from seeds carried on the Apollo 14 mission to the moon and planted in the South Fairmount neighborhood.

AWG/JRS/(lnk)
Attachment
350721

City of Cincinnati

JRS

AWB

An Ordinance No. _____

- 2021

DECLARING that the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge in memory of the Moon Tree, a large sycamore tree descended from seeds carried on the Apollo 14 mission to the moon and planted in the South Fairmount neighborhood.

WHEREAS, in 1971, the Apollo 14 mission travelled to the moon carrying tree seeds that were later planted around the county and grown into trees known as “moon trees”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennis Smith planted a descendant of the moon trees on his property, and it grew to be a large sycamore tree known locally as the “Moon Tree”; and

WHEREAS, the Moon Tree became a prominent landmark in the South Fairmount neighborhood, was well-known among members of the community, and was recognized as a second generation moon tree by NASA; and

WHEREAS, the Moon Tree was removed due to construction constraints associated with the Lick Run Project, but clones of the original Moon Tree have since been planted around the Lick Run; and

WHEREAS, the original Moon Tree has important historical and educational significance to the local community and local schools; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to recognize the historical and educational importance of the Moon Tree and the Apollo moon missions by bestowing the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge on the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge, in memory of the Moon Tree and the Apollo 14 mission to the moon.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood as the Moon Tree Bridge in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering's procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That the Clerk of Council shall cause a copy of this ordinance to be provided to Mr. Dennis Smith via the office of Mayor John Cranley.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

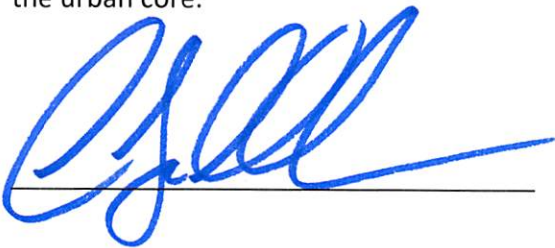
202103114

MOTION

November 10, 2021

We MOVE that the Administration convert the underutilized block of W 12th, between Central Ave & Central Parkway to long term metered parking at the same rate structure as the adjacent parking in existence on Central Ave, for the purpose of providing price sensitive workers & visitors increased parking options while better utilizing a city asset.

This block of Parking in the West End adjacent to Over-the-Rhine has one of the lowest meter utilizations in the greater Downtown area, at below 15% utilization on average, as compared with the national standard goal of 85% utilization (for comparison, Vine Street often surpasses 90% utilization). Providing price sensitive low & moderate wage workers & guests an appropriately priced long term parking solution in a low demand area will increase overall meter utilization & provide diverse parking options for the urban core.





Date: November 18, 2021

To: Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman

From: Andrew Garth, City Solicitor *AWG*

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Honorary Street Name Sergeant Charles F. Handorf Memorial Way**

Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

DECLARING that Considine Avenue at the intersection with Warsaw Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name “Sergeant Charles F. Handorf Memorial Way” in memory of Cincinnati Police Sergeant Charles F. Handorf and in recognition of his service to the City of Cincinnati.

AWG/JRS/(lnk)
Attachment
353190

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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AWB

An Ordinance No. _____

- 2021

DECLARING that Considine Avenue at the intersection with Warsaw Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of "Sergeant Charles F. Handorf Memorial Way" in memory of Cincinnati Police Sergeant Charles F. Handorf and in recognition of his service to the City of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Charles Francis Handorf was the eldest of fifteen children born to Charles and Rose Handorf; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Handorf attended Roger Bacon High School, but withdrew his senior year due to his father's illness and later completed his studies at Hughes Night School, graduating in June 1946; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Handorf joined the Cincinnati Police Department in 1952, where he served with honor and distinction and was awarded several promotions during his time on the force; and

WHEREAS, among others, Captain Clem Merz, District Four Commander, considered Sgt. Handorf to be one of the most reliable men in the district; and

WHEREAS, in 1957, Sgt. Handorf was shot in the stomach, requiring six hours of surgery and a long recuperation period, but thereafter he returned to duty; and

WHEREAS, prior to becoming a sergeant, Charles Handorf next worked in Investigations and was encouraged by his superiors to pursue the rank of sergeant; and

WHEREAS, in 1960, based on competitive examination, Charles Handorf was promoted to detective and transferred to the Crime Bureau; and

WHEREAS, in 1961, following a subsequent exam, then-Det. Handorf was promoted to sergeant and was selected to attend the prestigious three-month Administrative Officers Course at the Southern Police Institute at the University of Louisville, a rare honor for a newly promoted sergeant; and

WHEREAS, in February 1966, Sgt. Handorf was transferred to Vice Control Bureau; and

WHEREAS, in October 1966, Sgt Handorf was placed in command of the District Three Tactical Unit; and

WHEREAS, on December 7, 1974, Sgt. Handorf completed his tour of duty with his tactical unit at 11 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, at 12:15 a.m. on December 8, 1974, while completing paperwork, a call for help came in, to which Sgt. Handorf responded, though off-duty, out of a sense of responsibility as a leader of his fellow officers; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Handorf tragically lost his life while responding to the call; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Handorf was caring, competent, and well regarded by his fellow officers and the citizens of Cincinnati, so much so that the citizens and the Price Hill neighborhood placed a plaque at the base of the flagpole at the location of the Old District Three headquarters; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Handorf was a great “street cop” and kept a poem in his locker titled, “The Indispensable Man,” to remind himself that no one is indispensable; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Handorf loved his two daughters and his family and was also a dedicated son, brother, and leader at the Cincinnati Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati wishes to remember those who have given their lives in the line of duty so they will never be forgotten; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That Considine Avenue at the intersection with Warsaw Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Sergeant Charles F. Handorf Memorial Way” in honor of Cincinnati Police Sergeant Charles F. Handorf and in recognition of his service to the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate Considine Avenue at the intersection with Warsaw Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood as “Sergeant Charles F. Handorf Memorial Way” in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering’s procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That the Clerk of Council shall cause a copy of this ordinance to be provided to the family of Cincinnati Police Sergeant Charles F. Handorf via the office of Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to allow the Department of Transportation and Engineering to move forward with the administrative requirements related to the honorary naming of streets to provide for the ceremony and dedication of the honorary street name on December 8, 2021.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk