

Naming of Streets, Roads and Alleys Ordinance



**Adopted on
March 22, 2001**

ORDINANCE
NAMING OF STREETS, ROADS AND ALLEYS AND REQUIRING THE
DISPLAY OF BUILDING NUMBERS

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2019 and 15.2-2024, there is hereby adopted an ordinance establishing the following Ordinance as part of the County's Enhanced 911 Ordinance:

1. The Board of Supervisors may, from time to time, by resolution, and at its discretion name streets, roads and alleys within the County; and

2. The Board of Supervisors may in its discretion, by resolution, rename any street, road or alley previously known by any other name.

3. The name of each street shown on a subdivision plat approved pursuant to Chapter 19 of this code and subsequently recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall be deemed to have been approved pursuant to this section.

4. If the Board of Supervisors renames any streets previously known by any other name, the renamed streets, roads and alleys on site plans or subdivision plats previously recorded and filed with the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall not cause vacation of such site plans or subdivision plats. The Board of Supervisors shall forward a certified copy of the action affecting such name change to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in which the site plan or subdivision plat is recorded or filed. Upon receipt the Clerk shall:

- a). File the certified copy and note the name change on the site plan or subdivision plat affected; or
- b). Record the certified copy.

5. A complete and up-to-date list of the streets, roads and alleys shall be maintained in the office of the Commissioner of Revenue. It shall be the duty of the County Administrator to ensure the accurate list of streets, roads and alleys named by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to this section. A copy of the list shall be provided to the Commissioner of Revenue upon adoption of the list.

6. The creation of any road, street, alley or subdivision road after the enactment of this ordinance shall be governed by this ordinance. The Board of Supervisors shall have the sole discretion to name any new roads, alleys, streets or subdivision roads. Prior to the filing of any subdivision plat, road, street or alley, the developer shall appear before the Russell County Board of Supervisors and request that the Board by resolution name the road, streets or alleys in subdivision or development.

7. The following guidelines shall be used in naming or renaming streets, roads and alleys:

- a.) Use names with historic or geographic value which are descriptive of the road.
- b.) Use one and two syllable names.
- c.) Limit names to a maximum of twenty-one characters to aid in keeping sign manufacturing costs to a minimum.
- d.) Do not use uncommon name spellings or words that may have multiple common spellings.

- e.) Assign only one name along a continuous roadway.
- f.) Avoid the use of personal or family names, except in the case of local historical figures.
- g.) Avoid the use of letters and numeric names.

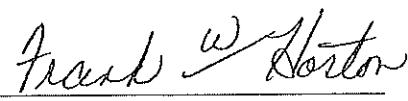
8. Each building that fronts on a right-of-way must be numbered and such number be displayed on the primary or accompanying building or in a manner that is easily readable from the right-of-way.

9. The following specifications shall be used for the posting of the building numbers as required in Paragraph 8 of this Ordinance:

- a.) Signs must be four (4) inches in width.
- b.) Lettering must be three (3) inches in height.
- c.) The sign background must be white and reflective.
- d.) The lettering must be black and reflective.

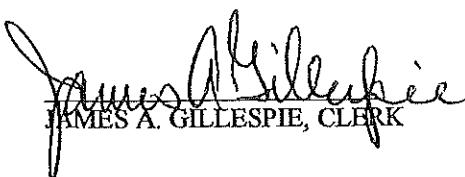
This ordinance, have been duly advertised and a public hearing held on the 5th day of March, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. and was adopted by a vote of 5 for and 0 against by the Russell County Board of Supervisors on the 22nd day of March, 2001.

This ordinance shall take effect on June 1, 2001.



FRANK HORTON, CHAIRMAN
RUSSELL COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:



JAMES A. GILLESPIE, CLERK