

**O'CONNOR, PETTY, CHILD & PIPER**

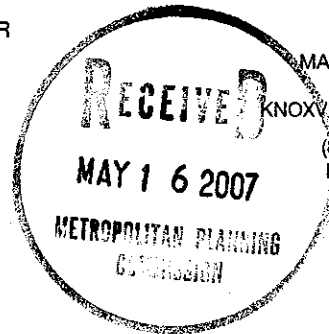
*ATTORNEYS AT LAW*

SUITE 310, BANK OF AMERICA CENTER

550 W MAIN STREET

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37902

JOHN T. O'CONNOR  
BILL W. PETTY  
CHARLES H. CHILD  
JACK W. PIPER JR.  
ANNE GREER



MAILING ADDRESS  
P.O. BOX 219  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0219  
(865) 525-7115  
FAX 525-5165

May 15, 2007

Ken Pruitt  
Metropolitan Planning Commission  
Suite 403  
City County Bldg.  
400 Main Street  
Knoxville, TN 37902

RE: File No: 3-B-07-SNC  
Proposed change of name of Magnolia Avenue west of Hall of Fame Drive

Dear Ken:

I understand that the above matter is still under consideration by the "Name Change Committee" that is chaired by Joe Bailey. I also understand that the proposed name change has been rescheduled from May until June. Assuming that the June meeting is on June 14, 2007, I have a prior commitment that afternoon to be in a hearing before the Department of Labor. I may need to request a further delay of this matter, if the matter is ripe for consideration on June 14, 2007.

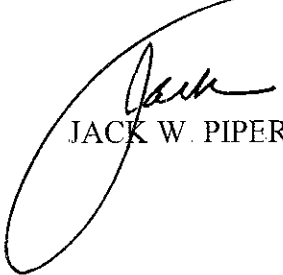
I have reviewed the street name change application which purports to have been requested by 911. I presume you already know this, but I have talked with Bob Coker and he has confirmed, as he did before the committee chaired by Councilman Joe Bailey, that 911 did not request this change.

I understand that the name change request is based upon a duplication that will occur if Fifth Avenue west of Hall of Fame were renamed to Broadway. I understand that the intersection is being realigned, however, I do not understand the logic. It makes sense to me that with appropriate signage there would be no more confusion for West Fifth Avenue to remain West Fifth Avenue west of Hall of Fame Drive. A sign at the intersection could clarify that as one travels westerly on Magnolia and crosses Hall of Fame one would be traveling on West Fifth Avenue. Additional signage could make it clear that West Magnolia Avenue begins at 200 feet to the south of the intersection. This proposal seems logical to me, particularly in light of the fact that it apparently is proposed that Fifth Avenue west of Hall of Fame would be re-named only until it reaches Broadway, at which time it again would be known as West Fifth Avenue.

Under these circumstances, I am requesting that MPC review this matter and withdraw its request to rename that portion of Magnolia Avenue where it lies west of Hall of Fame Drive.

If you would like to discuss this matter, I would be pleased to do so. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours very truly,



JACK W. PIPER, JR.

JWPJR:db

cc: Joel Piper  
Joe Bailey  
Knox Rail Salvage