



STREET/ROAD NAME CHANGE

▶ FILE #: 9-B-24-SNC

AGENDA ITEM #: 33

AGENDA DATE: 9/12/2024

▶ APPLICANT: CITY OF KNOXVILLE

TAX ID NUMBER: 94 000

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JURISDICTION: City Council District 6

▶ CHANGE REQUESTED FROM: Richard St.
(present street name)

▶ TO: 'Vivid Lights St.'
(proposed street name)

▶ LOCATION: Between Bernard Avenue and May Avenue

SECTOR PLAN: Central City

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: N/A (Within City Limits)

ZONING: N/A

▶ APPLICANT'S REASON FOR CHANGE:

A portion of Richards Street was closed between May and W Fifth Avenues, which caused the northern and southern portions of this right-of-way to be disconnected. Having non-contiguous road segments with the same street name is a safety concern for the Knox County Emergency Communications District. Richards Street between Bernard and May Avenues was selected for the proposed renaming as no occupiable buildings will be affected by the change.

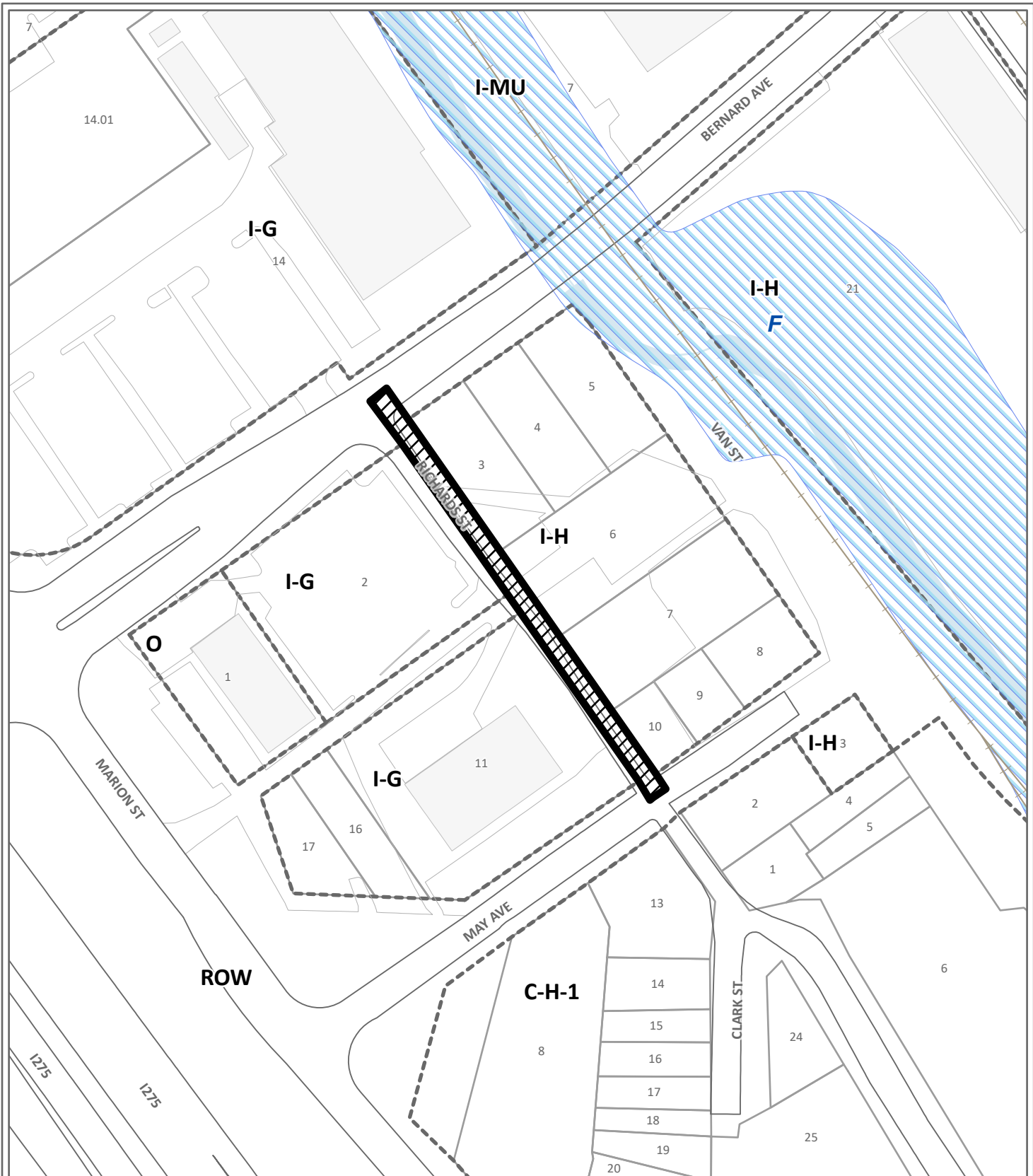
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

▶ Approve the name change from Richard Street to Vivid Lights Street as requested by the City of Knoxville.

COMMENTS:

1. The Technical Services Administrator of the City of Knoxville Engineering Department has proposed changing the street name of Richard Street because a partial street closure (2-C-24-SC) has resulted in disconnected street segments having the same name. Approving the name change will address the safety issue for the Knox County Emergency Communications District.
2. No occupiable buildings will be affected by this renaming, as described in the applicant's reason for change.
3. All property owners adjacent to the subject street section were provided the opportunity to suggest a new street name. The name "Vivid Lights Street" was designated by the Addressing department as no other name was selected by majority vote. The Addressing department will manage the needed readdressing for properties that have direct access to this segment.
4. Planning has received no objections to the renaming of this right-of-way.
5. The name change meets all requirements of the City of Knoxville's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23, Article IV, Section 23-108.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knoxville City Council for action on 10/1/2024 and 10/15/2024. If denied, Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission's action is final, unless the action to deny is appealed to Knoxville City Council. The date of the appeal hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal a Planning Commission decision in the City.



STREET NAME CHANGE

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Petitioner: City of Knoxville

Present Street Name: Richard St.
 Proposed Street Name: Vivid Lights St.
 Beginning of Change (From): Bernard Avenue
 End of Change (To): May Avenue

Map No: 94
Jurisdiction: City

Original Print Date: 8/8/2024
 Knoxville - Knox County Planning Commission * City / County Building * Knoxville, TN 37902

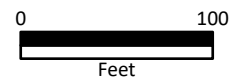
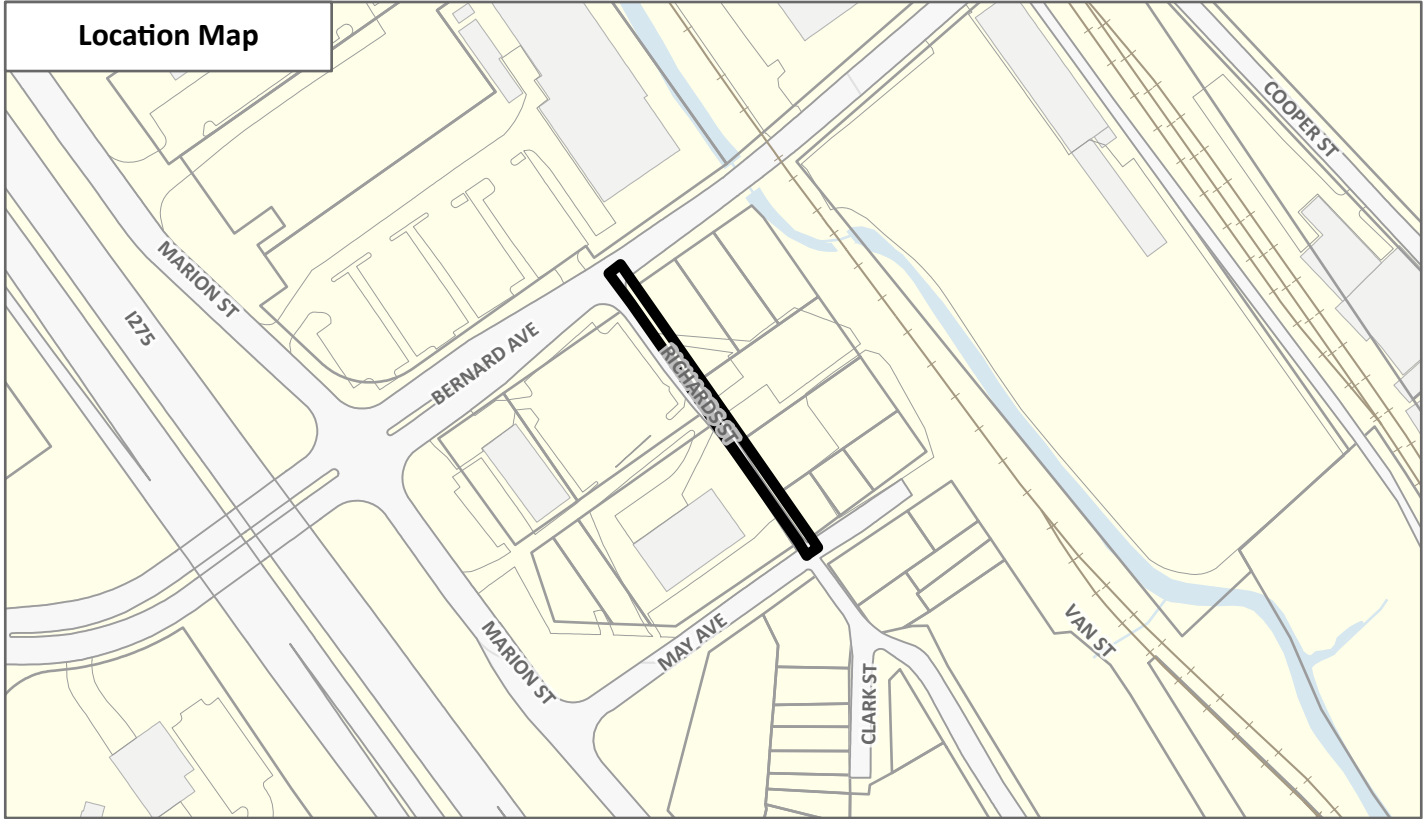
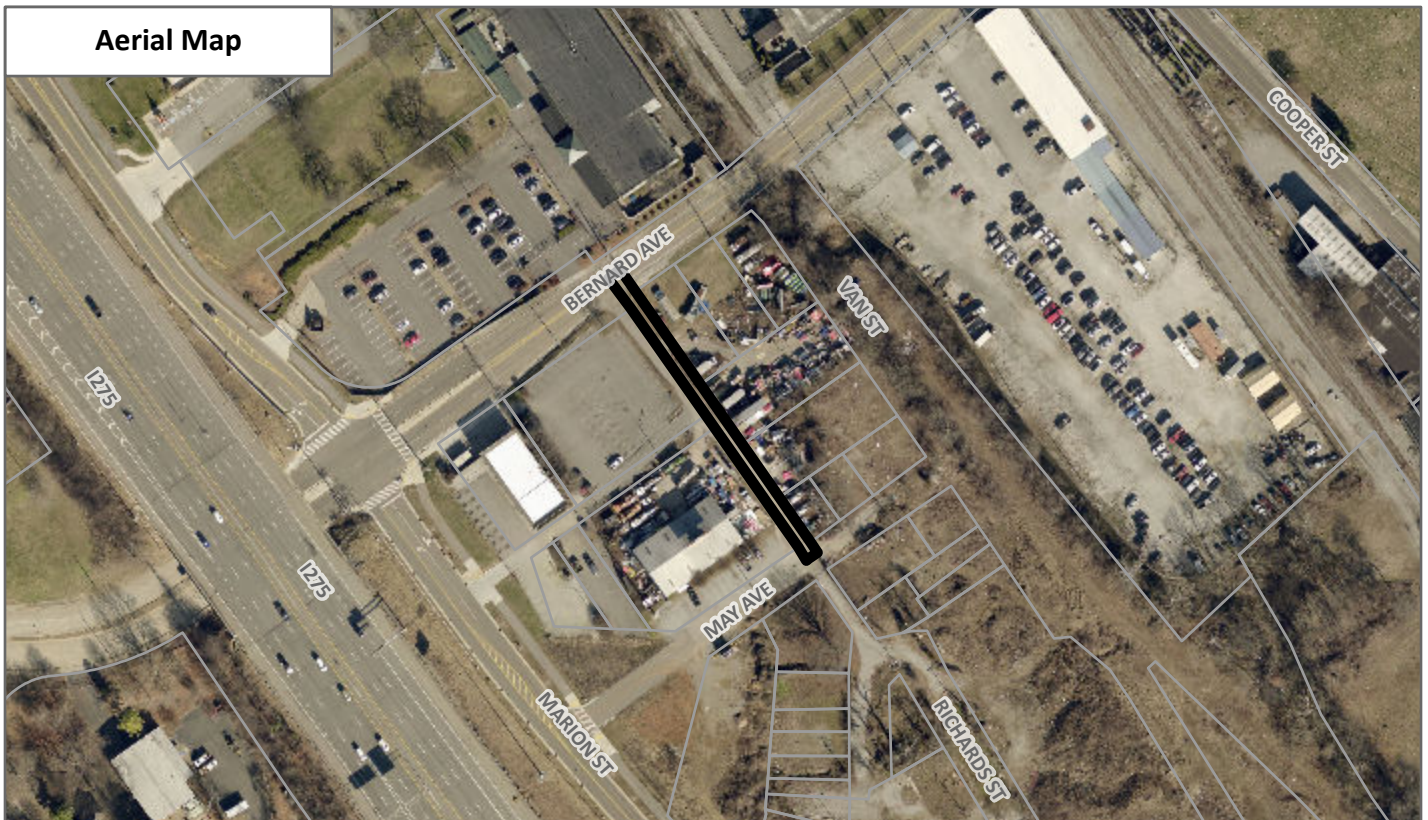


Exhibit A. Contextual Images

Location Map



Aerial Map

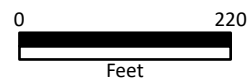


CONTEXTUAL MAPS 1

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Case boundary





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 Knoxville, Tennessee 37902
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STREET NAME CHANGE

Date Filed: 7/23/2024

Name of Applicant: CITY OF KNOXVILLE

Jurisdiction: City Council District 6

Sector: Central City

Growth Policy Plan: N/A (Within City Limits)

File Number: 9-B-24-SNC

Meeting Date: 9/12/2024

Fee Amount:

INFORMATION:

Tax ID: 94 000

Add'l. Tax ID Info.:

Present Street Name: Richard St.

Proposed Street Name: Vivid Lights St.

Location of Street or Portion of Street Proposed for Change:

Beginning of Change (From): Bernard Avenue

End of Change (To): May Avenue

Reason for Proposed Change: A portion of Richards Street was closed between May and W Fifth Avenues, which caused the northern and southern portions of this right-of-way to be disconnected. Having non-contiguous road segments with the same street name is a safety concern for the Knox County Emergency Communications District. Richards Street between Bernard and May Avenues was selected for the proposed renaming as no occupiable buildings will be affected by the change.

KNOXVILLE-KNOX COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION POLICY REQUIRES THAT:

1. All affected property owners and tenants be given an opportunity to express their opinion concerning a street name change.
2. The opinions expressed be filed with and become a part of the application for change.

The Street Name Change Canvass Form (on the next page) must be completed before the application can be accepted.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

Benjamin D. Davidson City of Knoxville

400 Main St. St. Room 475

Knoxville, TN 37902

Telephone: 865-215-2103 Fax:

Email: b davidson@knoxvilletn.gov

AUTHORIZATION OF APPLICATION:

I hereby certify that I am the authorized applicant. ALL property owners and tenants affected by this request have been canvassed and are listed on the next page of this form.

Benjamin D. Davidson City of Knoxville

Signature: _____

400 Main St. St. Room 475

Knoxville, TN 37902

Telephone: 865-215-2103 Fax:

Email: b davidson@knoxvilletn.gov

APPLICATION ACCEPTED BY: Shelley Gray

8/21/2024 8:54:22 AM

STREET NAME CHANGE CANVASS FORM

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I (We) plan to file a request with the Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission to change the name of the street.

I (We) understand that our address will change when this street name is changed.

Present Street Name: Richard St.

Proposed Street Name: Vivid Lights St.



NAME CHANGE REQUEST

CHANGE TYPE

Street Name Subdivision Name

07/23/2024

Date Filed

September 12, 2024

Meeting Date

9-B-24-SNC

File Numbers(s)

APPLICATION CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence related to this application should be directed to the approved contact listed below.

Ben Davidson

Name

City of Knoxville

Company

400 Main Street Suite 475

Address

Knoxville

City

TN

State

37902

Zip

865-215-2103

Phone

bdavidson@knoxvilletn.gov

Email

CHANGE REQUEST

STREET NAME

Richards Street

Present Street Name

Vivid Lights Street

Proposed Street Name

Public Right-of-Way Private Right-of-Way

EXACT LOCATION OF STREET:

Bernard Avenue

Beginning (From)

May Avenue

End (To)

Reason for Proposed Change *(Attach separate sheet if needed for explanation)*

See attached

SUBDIVISION NAME

Present Subdivision Name

Proposed Subdivision Name

General Location:

City Block 09021

Reason for Proposed Change:

To fulfill conditional requirements by Planning Department for the closure of Richards Street 2-C-24-SC

CRITERION

Total Number of Property Owners: _____
 Minimum Number of Property Owners in Support: _____
 (must be at least 75% for application to be accepted)
 Percent of Property Owners in Support: N/A

JURISDICTION

City Council 6 County Commission _____

ATTACHMENTS

- Application Requirements Acknowledgement
- Name Change Petition

FEE 1:

FEE 2:

FEE 3:

TOTAL:

\$0

AUTHORIZATION

Ben Davidson

Digitally signed by Ben Davidson
Date: 2024.07.23 10:33:19 -04'00'

Ben Davidson

07-23-2024

Applicant Signature

Please Print

Date

Shelley Gray

Shelley Gray

7/23/2024

Staff Signature

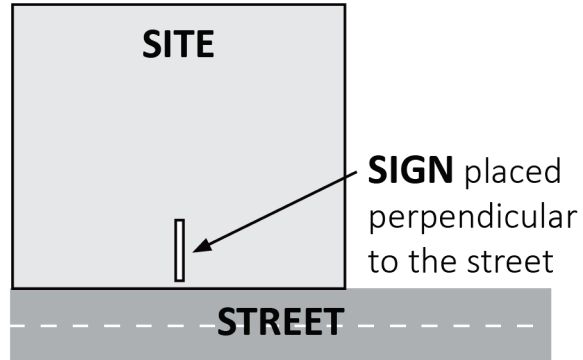
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Date

Proposed street name change: Richards Street to Vivid Lights Street

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The Administrative Rules and Procedures of the Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission require a sign to be posted on the property for each application subject to consideration by the Planning Commission, including the following applications: rezoning, plan amendment, concept plan, use on review/special use, planned development, right-of-way closure, and name change.



The required public notice sign(s) will be provided by Planning to the applicant when an application is submitted. If an application is submitted electronically, Planning staff will post the required sign. If a replacement sign(s) is needed, the applicant is responsible for picking up the new sign(s) from Planning and will be charged \$10 for each replacement.

LOCATION AND VISIBILITY

The sign must be posted on the nearest adjacent/frontage street and in a location clearly visible to vehicles traveling in either direction. If the property has more than one street frontage, the sign should be placed along the street that carries more traffic. Planning staff may recommend a preferred location for the sign to be posted at the time of application.

TIMING

The sign(s) must be posted **not less than 12 days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission public hearing** and must remain in place until the day after the meeting. In the case of a postponement, the sign can either remain in place or be removed and reposted not less than 12 days prior to the next Planning Commission meeting. The applicant is responsible for removing the sign after the application has been acted upon by the Planning Commission.

The individual below is responsible for posting and removing the sign(s) provided consistent with the above guidelines and between the dates of:

_____ 08/30/2024 _____ and _____ 09/13/2024 _____
 (applicant or staff to post sign) (applicant to remove sign)

Applicant Name: Ben Davidson

Date: 07/23/2024

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- Sign posted by Staff
- Sign posted by Applicant