STREET/ROAD NAME CHANGE

▸ **FILE #:**	**10-A-26-SNC**	**AGENDA ITEM #:**	**7**
		AGENDA DATE:	**10/1/2026**
▸ **APPLICANT:**	**KNOX COUNTY ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS**		
MAP NUMBER:	133	**View map on KGIS**	
JURISDICTION:	County Commission District 4 & 5		
▸ **CHANGE REQUESTED FROM: (present street name)**	**S. Gallaher View Rd.**		
▸ **TO: (proposed street name)**	**'Caboose Ln.'**		
▸ **LOCATION:**	**Between Lawnpark Dr and Westland Dr, west of parcels 133HH028 and 133 030**		
GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Planned Growth Area		
▸ **APPLICANT'S REASON FOR CHANGE:**	**A road realignment project circa 2000 resulted in two separate sections of S Gallaher View Rd south of Lawnpark Dr. A 27-lot development at parcel 133 030 has been approved by the Planning Commission with a condition for a street name change application. The existing duplicate street name and proposed new 14 lots on this block pose a concern for emergency response operators.**		

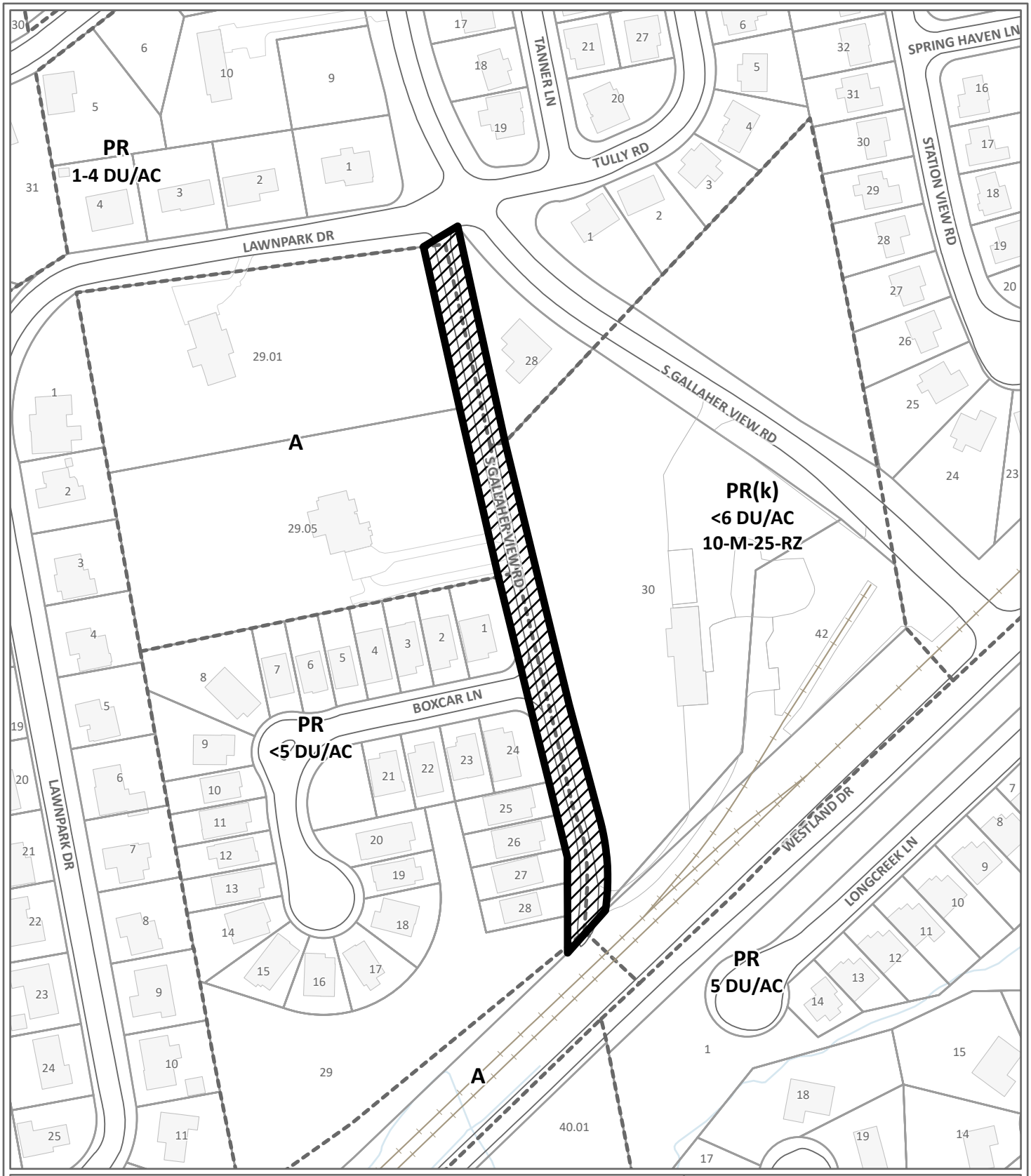
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

▸ **Approve the name change of S Gallaher View Road to Caboose Lane, as requested by the Knox County Engineering and Public Works Department.**

COMMENTS:

1. A road realignment project between 1998 and 2001 resulted in two forks of S Gallaher View Road at its southern terminus, both sharing the same name. Having two sections of road with the same name poses a concern for safety responders and could impact response times. The proposed renaming would eliminate this concern.
2. The Planning Commission approved a 27-lot detached residential development along the southern terminus (12-SA-25-C/12-C-25-DP), with a condition that the western fork (subject segment) be renamed.
3. All property owners adjacent to the subject street section were provided the opportunity to vote for the new street name. The name 'Caboose Lane' was selected by majority vote after two rounds of voting. Exhibit B includes letters mailed by Addressing staff and a summary of responses from adjacent property owners.
4. The proposed street name change will require 7 addresses to be reassigned, and 14 new lots along this segment will be assigned the proposed name.
5. The name change meets all requirements of the Knox County Codes of Ordinances (Chapter 54, Article II, Section 54-40).

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knox County Commission for action on 11/9/2026. If denied, Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission's action is final, unless the action to deny is appealed to Knox County Commission. The date of the appeal hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 30 days to appeal a Planning Commission decision in the County.



STREET NAME CHANGE

10-A-26-SNC

Present Street Name: Gallaher View Rd.
Proposed Street Name: Caboose Ln.
Beginning of Change (From): Lawnpark Dr
End of Change (To): South to dead-end

Original Print Date: 8/20/2026

*Knoxville - Knox County Planning Commission * City / County Building * Knoxville, TN 37902*

Petitioner: Knox County Engineering and Public Works

Map No: 133
Jurisdiction: County

0 170
Feet

N

Exhibit A. Contextual Images



AERIAL MAP

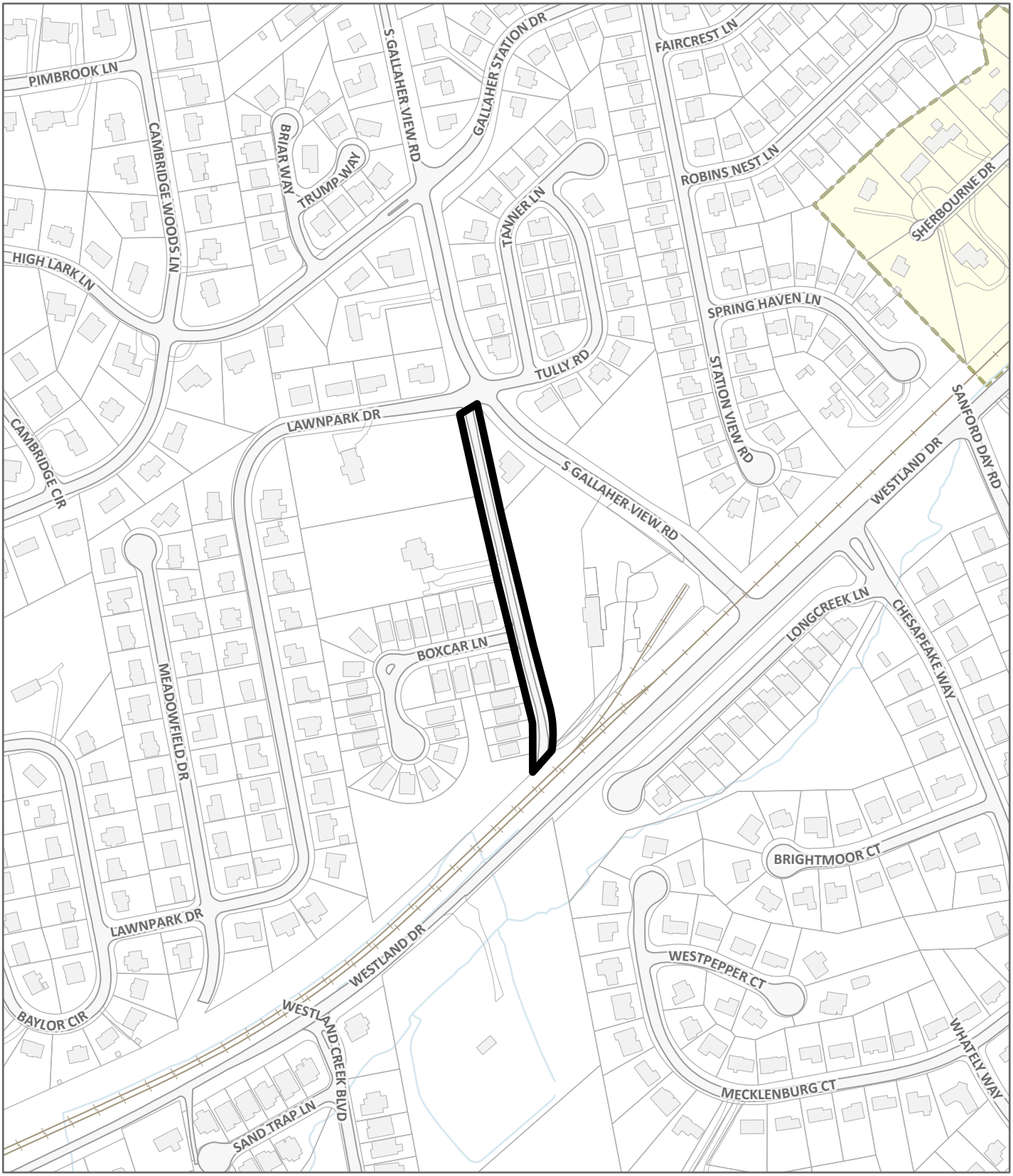
Case boundary

0 180

Feet

N

Exhibit A. Contextual Images



LOCATION MAP

10-A-26-SNC

Case boundary

0 360

Feet

N

Exhibit B. Summary of Responses

S Gallaher View Road Street Name Change Summary of Owner Responses

- Planning, on behalf of the Knox County Emergency Communications District (E-911), mailed letters to eleven property owners abutting S Gallaher View Road, to request input on the new street name. Owners were given the opportunity to vote between three suggested names (Hester Branch Lane, Stewart Branch Lane, and Secret Branch Lane) or propose a new name.
- The first round of letters was mailed on June 26, 2026. Six responses were received, but one of these offered no vote or suggested name. There were two votes for Hester Branch Lane, one vote for Secret Branch Lane, and three suggested names. The only acceptable suggested names were 'Conner Rail Lane' and 'Caboose Lane.'
- The second letter was sent on July 20, 2026, and included the options of Hester Branch Lane, Conner Rail Lane, and Caboose Lane. Five responses were received, all from property owners directly affected by the name change. There were four votes received for Caboose Lane, and one letter requesting either of the other two names.

Property Address	Impacted by Name Change	1st Round Response	2nd Round response
825 S Gallaher View Rd (8410 Lawnpark Drive)	Yes	Conner Rail Ln / Conner Crossing Ln	N/A
830 S Gallaher View Rd	Yes	Hester Branch Ln	Conner Rail Ln / Hester Branch Ln
945 S Gallaher View Rd (to be subdivided into 14 lots)	Yes	Secret Branch Ln	Caboose Ln
849 S Gallaher View Rd	Yes	N/A	N/A
871 S Gallaher View Rd	Yes	S Gallaher View Ln	Caboose Ln
875 S Gallaher View Rd	Yes	Caboose Ln	Caboose Ln
879 S Gallaher View Rd	Yes	N/A	N/A
883 S Gallaher View Rd	Yes	Caboose Ln / Caboose Crossing Ln	Caboose Ln
8403 Boxcar Ln	No	N/A	N/A
8404 Boxcar Ln	No	N/A	N/A
0 Boxcar Ln	No	N/A	N/A

Exhibit B. Mailed Notice (Round 1)

Planning
KNOXVILLE | KNOX COUNTY

June 26, 2026

RE: Renaming a portion of S Gallaher View Road

Dear Property Owner:

Knoxville-Knox County Planning (Planning) is assisting Knox County Engineering and Public Works (EPW) to rename part of S Gallaher View Road. This street name change will affect properties in the 800 block of S Gallaher View Road, south of Lawnpark Drive. If approved, it may cause the address for your home or business to change.

In the early 2000s, S Gallaher View Road was realigned and two segments with the same name were created. This duplicate street name, and the plan to build 14 new lots, pose a concern for emergency response operations. To address these issues, EPW plans to submit a street name application for part of S Gallaher View Road. The enclosed map illustrates the portion of the road to be renamed. A copy of the concept plan is also included.

This is your opportunity to vote for the new street name. Select from the provided names on the enclosed form or suggest an additional name for staff to consider. Proposed names cannot duplicate existing street names in Knox County. The name will be selected by a majority vote of landowners who respond. If a majority is not reached, EPW and Planning will collaborate and choose a name for the street name change application.

Once a name is selected, the application will be heard by the Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission. If approved, the application will be sent to Knox County Commission for two readings. Once official, Planning will notify affected landowners of their new address.

Please use the enclosed form to vote for your preferred street name. Responses must be received at our office by July 17, 2026. Forms may be mailed to Planning, at 400 Main Street, Suite 403, or emailed to addressing@knoxplanning.org.

Please contact me by phone or email with any questions.

Sincerely,

David Hobbs
Planning and Addressing Specialist
david.hobbs@knoxplanning.org
865.215.3872

Exhibit B. Mailed Notice (Round 1)

Please fill in your selection and return this form by July 17, 2026, either by mail to the address below or email to addressing@knoxplanning.org.

OPTION 1: SELECT A STREET NAME

HESTER BRANCH LANE _____

Hester Conner owned much of the land on the western portion of S Gallaher View Road. This land was later subdivided into Westland Station Subdivision.

STEWART BRANCH LANE _____

The Stewart Family purchased land on the eastern portion of S Gallaher View Road from Sanford Day Iron Works in 1942. The land was later subdivided and sold to the National Gas Company where a railroad spur for tank cars was utilized for over 60 years.

SECRET BRANCH LANE _____

Staff suggestion

OPTION 2: SUGGEST A STREET NAME

Suggested name will be reviewed by Planning to ensure consistency with the addressing guidelines.

_____ **LANE**

Owner Name: _____ Phone: _____

Property Address: _____

Planning
KNOXVILLE | KNOX COUNTY

Knoxville-Knox County Planning | KnoxPlanning.org
400 Main Street, Suite 403 | Knoxville, TN 37902 | 865.215.2500

Exhibit B. Mailed Notice (Round 2)

Planning
KNOXVILLE | KNOX COUNTY

July 20, 2026

RE: Renaming a portion of S Gallaher View Road

Dear Property Owner:

Knoxville-Knox County Planning (Planning) is assisting Knox County Engineering and Public Works (EPW) to rename part of S Gallaher View Road (see enclosed map). This letter is a follow-up from our previous correspondence, dated June 26, 2026, regarding the selection of a new street name. As a consensus was not reached, a second round of voting is needed to determine a name for the street name change application.

This is your second opportunity to vote for the new street name. Please select from the names on the enclosed form. The selected name will be selected by a majority vote of landowners who respond. If a majority is not reached, EPW and Planning will collaborate and choose a name for the street name change application.

Please use the enclosed form to vote for your preferred street name. Responses must be received at our office by August 12, 2026. Forms may be mailed to Planning, at 400 Main Street, Suite 403, or emailed to addressing@knoxplanning.org.

Please contact me by phone or email with any questions.

Sincerely,

David Hobbs
Planning and Addressing Specialist
david.hobbs@knoxplanning.org
865.215.3872

Exhibit B. Mailed Notice (Round 2)

Please fill in your selection and return this form by August 12, 2026, either by mail to the address below or email to addressing@knoxplanning.org.

SELECT YOUR PREFERRED STREET NAME

HESTER BRANCH LANE _____

Hester Conner owned much of the land on the western portion of S Gallaher View Road. This land was later subdivided into Westland Station Subdivision.

CONNER RAIL LANE _____

Owner suggestion.

CABOOSE LANE _____

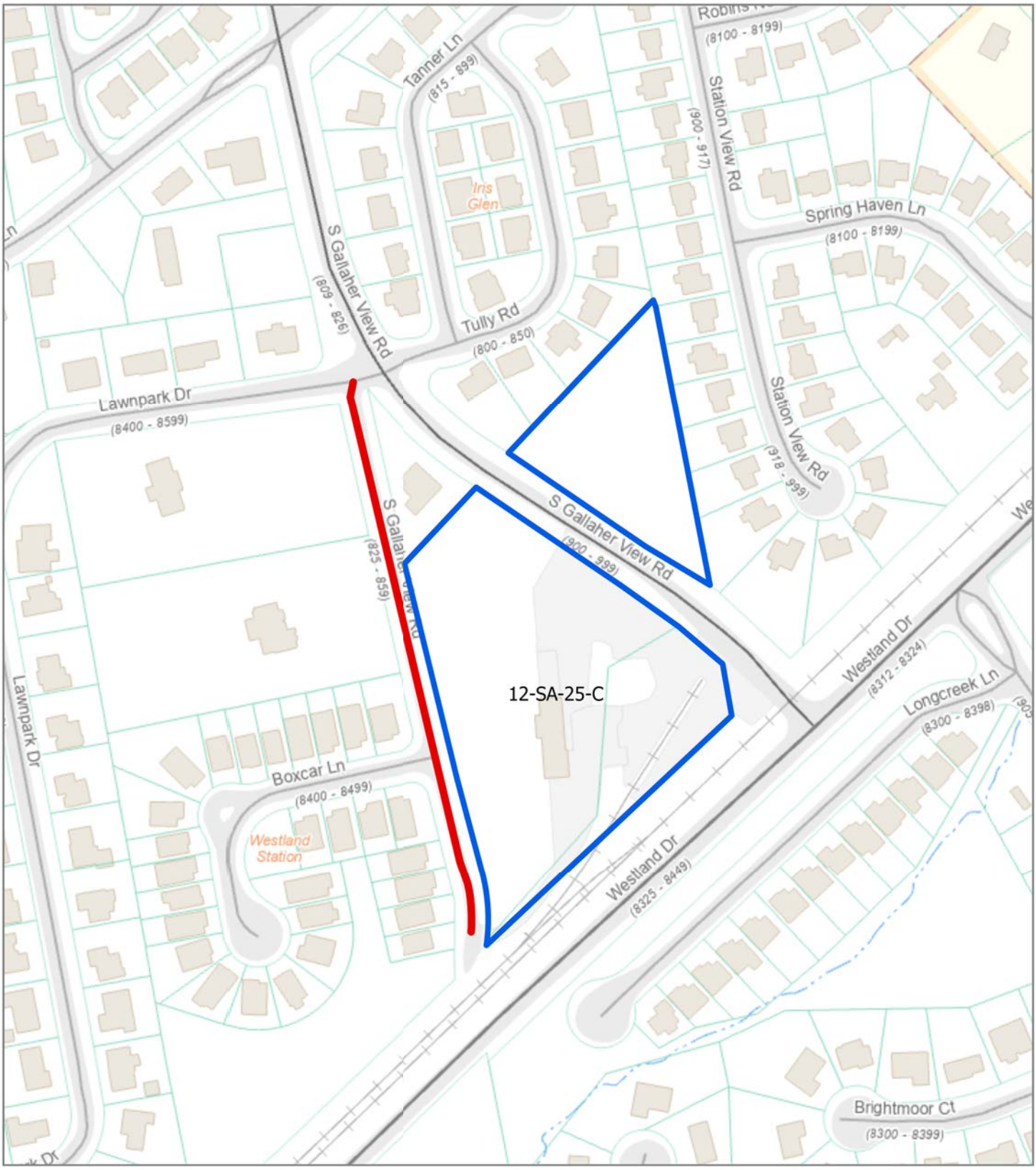
Owner suggestion.

Owner Name: _____ Phone: _____

Property Address: _____

Planning
KNOXVILLE | KNOX COUNTY

Knoxville-Knox County Planning | KnoxPlanning.org
400 Main Street, Suite 403 | Knoxville, TN 37902 | 865.215.2500



Section of S Gallaher View Road to be renamed

Location of approved development (12-SA-25-C)

N

Knoxville-Knox County Planning | 400 Main Street, Suite 403 | Knoxville, TN 37902

6/26/2026

Knox County Emergency Communications District
605 Bernard Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37921
Brad Anders, Executive Director

TO: Knox County, Engineering and Public Works
FROM: Knox County Emergency Communications, GIS Department
DATE: June 26, 2026
REF: S. Gallaher View realignment

The realignment at the intersection of S. Gallaher View Road and Westland Drive has resulted in a forked roadway that retains a single road name. This configuration presents a concern for emergency response operations, as the split creates confusion when locating addresses within the 800 block of S. Gallaher View Road.

At present, a blue sign identifies the addresses of the homes located on the dead-end segment of S. Gallaher View Road. While this solution has been functional, it will not provide adequate clarity with the proposed development of 10 additional homes on Parcel 133 030, all of which would also fall within the 800 block range.

Therefore, we support EPW's proposal to rename the 825–899 segment of S. Gallaher View Road to ensure it has a unique street name, which will improve address identification and support efficient emergency response.

