

Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission



Addendum

March 28, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman and Members
Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Christian Popoli, City Planner Supervisor - Historic Preservation

RE: *Renaming New World Avenue to POW-MIA Memorial Parkway.*

DATE: March 28, 2018

Consistent with Chapter 745 of the Jacksonville Ordinance Code on addressing and street naming regulations, requests to rename streets require a review and recommendation from the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission. In making a report and recommendation, the Commission shall address the following criteria:

1. The origin of the street name
2. Any historical significance of the existing street name
3. Whether there are any historical structures or landmarks on the subject street
4. Whether the existing name is part of a common theme of street names throughout the community where such street is located
5. The age of the street name
6. Whether the street name is a duplicate street name

Present Street Name: New World Avenue

Proposed Street Name: POW-MIA Memorial Parkway

Reason for Change: To reflect the presence of the Cecil Field POW-MIA Memorial placed in 1973 to honor those pilots and service members who were lost during the Vietnam War and later Desert Storm Conflict, as well as to complement the proposed POW-MIA Museum planned for the former Cecil Field chapel.

Background: NAS Cecil Field was decommissioned in 1999 and is now used as a civilian, public-use, joint civil-military airfield and industrial park known as the Cecil Commerce Center and Cecil Airport. As part of the conversion, the original Avenue D was renamed New World Avenue in 2009 and extend north from Cecil Commerce Center to its terminus beyond Cecil Commerce Center Parkway.

Report and Recommendation

The origin of the street name and any historical significance of the existing street name

New World Avenue was originally named Avenue D when NAS Cecil Field was in operation, and therefore the current name has no relationship with the history of Cecil Field.

Whether there are any historical structures or landmarks on the subject street

No historical structures or landmarks have been identified along New World Avenue. It should be noted that the former chapel is currently being proposed for local landmark designation and will be used to house a future POW-MIA Museum.

Whether the existing name is part of a common theme of street names throughout the community where such street is located

The origin of the current street name does not relate to the original NAS Cecil Field, but represents a later change.

The age of the street name

A section of the street was part of the original base that opened in 1941, but in more recent years the street was extended beyond its original length.

Whether the street name is a duplicate street name

The street name is not a duplicate.

Recommendation: The Planning and Development Department recommends that the proposed street name change from New World Avenue to POW-MIA Memorial Parkway be approved.

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RE: *Renaming Inman Place to Oaklawn Place*

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Present Street Name: Inman Place: Per Section 745.105, the entire length of Inman Place from San Jose Boulevard to the dead end in Oaklawn Cemetery will be changed.

Proposed Street Name: Oaklawn Place

Reason for Change:

To assist first responders in locating the new Oaklawn Event Center and to ensure the public is served with efficiently when locating and visiting the Oaklawn Cemetery. There are no other streets using the name Oaklawn Place inside the Jacksonville City Limits.

Oaklawn Cemetery is constructing a new Funeral Home and Life Well Celebrated Event facility on the North side of our property, with access from Inman Place. Hardage-Giddens is the sole property owner and the only address on this small dead end street which ends in the parking lot of our new Hardage-Giddens Oaklawn Event Center. In the case of a police, medical, or fire emergency, the public will be best served to have the street named for the facility that is located there. Hardage-Giddens Oaklawn Chapel, also at Oaklawn Cemetery, will remain open, and has the address of 4801 San Jose Blvd. By renaming Inman Place to Oaklawn Place, first responders will be able to find the location

quickly and without confusion in the event of an emergency in the new facility. As an additional public benefit, the citizens and visitors will more readily find this location with a change of street name when paying respects and when attending funerals for members of the community.

Background:

Originally platted as part of the “San Bonita” subdivision, Inman Place was always intended as a small dead-end street. The original plat dates from August 11, 1926. The subdivision was part of a larger land boom associated with the mid to late 20’s in Florida. Specifically in Jacksonville, San Jose was an area that saw growth through bond sales funded subdivisions. San Bonita was one such project, and the real-estate company responsible for the original plat was the “Inman Bonds Realty Company”. Inman Place can trace its’ name to this company’s name.

Report and Recommendation:

The origin of the street name and any historical significance of the existing street name

Located off of San Jose Boulevard, Inman Place derives its name from the “Inman Bonds Realty Company” which is the real estate development firm that platted San Bonita. The San Bonita plat, as recorded in plat book 12, page 67; was a small plat of 13 lots, 6 to the north, and 7 to the south, along both San Jose Boulevard and Inman Place.

Whether there are any historical structures or landmarks on the subject street

The only historic site noted is the Oaklawn Cemetery itself. The only remaining lots of the original San Bonita Plat, are currently combined into one parcel, located to the north of Inman Place, and currently occupied by a retail structure, built in 1983.

Whether the existing name is part of a common theme of street names throughout the community where such street is located

Inman place does not occur anywhere else within Duval County, and appears to be a stand alone street, with no other thematic context.

The age of the street name

The Street was named and dedicated as part of the Bonita Springs Plat, book 12, page 67, as recorded in 1926.

Whether the street name is a duplicate street name

The street name is not a duplicate.

Recommendation:

The Planning and Development Department recommends that the proposed street name change from Inman Place to Oaklawn Place be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the 911 Committee.