

# CASE SUMMARY

APPLICATION TYPE: STREET NAME CHANGE



**File Number:** 1-B-21-SNC                      **Related File Number:**  
**Application Filed:** 11/13/2021              **Date of Revision:**  
**Applicant:** CHRIS HOWLEY / CITY OF KNOXVILLE / CITY OF KNOXVILLE - ENGINEERING

## PROPERTY INFORMATION

**General Location:**  
**Other Parcel Info.:**  
**Tax ID Number:** 94 N/A                      **Jurisdiction:** City  
**Size of Tract:**  
**Accessibility:**

## GENERAL LAND USE INFORMATION

**Existing Land Use:**  
**Surrounding Land Use:**  
**Proposed Use:**                                      **Density:**  
**Sector Plan:** Central City                      **Sector Plan Designation:**  
**Growth Policy Plan:** Within City limits  
**Neighborhood Context:**

## ADDRESS/RIGHT-OF-WAY INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Street:** Val St.  
**Location:** Between Leroy Ave. and W. Baxter Ave.  
**Proposed Street Name:** 'Marion St.'  
**Department-Utility Report:**  
**Reason:** Due to a city roadway construction project, the proposed naming creates familiarity and continuity with existing businesses and patrons in this area.

## ZONING INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Current Zoning:** N/A  
**Former Zoning:**  
**Requested Zoning:**  
**Previous Requests:**  
**Extension of Zone:**  
**History of Zoning:**

## PLAN INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Current Plan Category:**  
**Requested Plan Category:**

**SUBDIVISION INFORMATION (where applicable)**

Subdivision Name:

No. of Lots Proposed:

No. of Lots Approved: 0

Variances Requested:

S/D Name Change:

**OTHER INFORMATION (where applicable)**

**Other Bus./Ord. Amend.:** Due to a city roadway construction project, the proposed naming creates familiarity and continuity with existing businesses and patrons in this area.

**PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION AND DISPOSITION****Planner In Charge:** Michelle Portier**Staff Recomm. (Abbr.):** Approve the name change from Val Street to Marion Street as requested by the City of Knoxville Engineering Department.**Staff Recomm. (Full):****Comments:**

1. Roadway improvements are planned between Marion Street and W. Baxter Avenue (Exhibit B). This section of public right-of-way currently has three street names: Marion Street, Leroy Avenue and Val Street.
2. Additionally, the City of Knoxville is creating new public right-of-way between Blackstock Avenue and Marion Street, which will require a new street name.
- 3 To eliminate confusion for emergency responders, Planning recommends one street name for the entire project between Blackstock and W. Baxter Avenues.
4. Several names were proposed for property owners to choose from (results are provided on the Addressing Department Comment form).
  - a. The proposed name change to Marion Street would result in one address reassignment.
  - b. A change in street name to one other than Marion Street would eliminate one duplication within the city, but would cause 5 additional address reassignments.
5. Addressing staff noted two areas of potential concern with the proposed name:
  - a. This location of Marion Street is disconnected from two other streets with the same street name forming a non-contiguous use of the name.
  - b. Marion Street is a phonetic duplication of Marion Drive.
6. Planning received letters of opposition to names other than Marion Street from property owners wanting to avoid address reassignments.
7. Staff has received no objections to the renaming of this right-of-way to Marion Street.
8. The name change meets all requirements of the City of Knoxville's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23, Article IV, Section 23-108.

**Action:** Approved**Meeting Date:** 1/14/2021**Details of Action:****Summary of Action:** Approve the name change from Val Street to Marion Street as requested by the City of Knoxville Engineering Department.**Date of Approval:** 1/14/2021**Date of Denial:****Postponements:****Date of Withdrawal:****Withdrawn prior to publication?:**  **Action Appealed?:****LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND DISPOSITION****Legislative Body:** Knoxville City Council**Date of Legislative Action:** 2/9/2021**Date of Legislative Action, Second Reading:** 2/23/2021**Ordinance Number:****Other Ordinance Number References:** O-23-2021**Disposition of Case:** Approved**Disposition of Case, Second Reading:** Approved**If "Other":****If "Other":****Amendments:****Amendments:****Date of Legislative Appeal:****Effective Date of Ordinance:**

