

**ORDINANCE NO _____ SUPPLEMENTAL
AMENDING CHAPTER 21, FACILITIES, CITY-OWNED, ARTICLE II. - GUIDELINES FOR
NAMING AND RENAMING OF STREETS, PARKS AND FACILITIES
SECTION 21-3 – NAMING OF CITY OWNED FACILITIES**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Chapter 21, Facilities, City-Owned, of the City of Stamford Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

ARTICLE II. - GUIDELINES FOR NAMING AND RENAMING OF STREETS, PARKS AND FACILITIES

Sec. 21-2. - General rule.

The public policy for the city shall be that, when possible, the names of city streets, parks and facilities, streets within a subdivision or portions thereof shall be selected by using geographic or historic characteristics that are reasonably relevant to either the type of facility or portion thereof or the location of such street, park or facility within the city.

Sec. 21-3. - Specific guidelines.

The following guidelines and standards are hereby adopted with reference to naming and renaming of city streets, parks and facilities, streets within a subdivision or portions thereof:

- A. No city street, park or facility, street within a subdivision or portion thereof shall be named for any racial, ethnic or religious group or denomination.
- B. No city street, park or facility, street within a subdivision or portion thereof shall be named to memorialize any person unless such person has been deceased for more than six months prior to the submission of such proposal and only after a specific finding by the Board of Representatives that either no suitable geographic or historic name for such street, park, facility or street within a subdivision or portion thereof exists or that such person has contributed substantially to the establishment of such street, park or facility or because of such person's contributions to the entire community. Upon a showing of good cause, the Board of Representatives may waive any of the aforementioned requirements by a resolution of ~~2/3~~ 3/4 of the entire Board.
- C. No city street, park or facility or street within a subdivision or portion thereof shall be named in an arbitrary or capricious manner nor shall it be named in any manner which would tend to confuse the public or impede traffic.
- D. No city street shall be renamed unless a petition has been submitted to the City in favor of the proposed naming, containing the signatures of at least three fourths (3/4) of the record owners of the properties on such city street or segment thereof.
- E. No city street shall be renamed without the Board of Representatives holding a Public Hearing on such name change.
- F. Approval of any such street name change shall be by three-quarters (¾) of the members of the Board of Representatives present and voting.

~~D.G.~~ No city street shall be given a name which is the same as or similar to the name of any existing street within the city unless either of such streets may be reasonably deemed an extension of the other. For the purposes of this article, streets with the same name or a similar name but which differ in such secondary nomenclature as the designation "road," "street," "avenue," "circle," "place," "drive," "lane," "court," "east," "west," "north" or "south" are deemed to have the same names.

~~E.H.~~ The name of any street within the city or any park, facility, street within a subdivision or portion thereof existing at the time of adoption of this article shall not be affected hereby so long as such street remains dedicated to the public or such park or facility is maintained and used for public purposes.

~~F.I.~~ Each property shall have a legal address, which is that address assigned by the Director of Operations or designee. Each legal address shall be a numbered address on a recognized city street, as listed in the City Book of accepted and unaccepted streets, as it may be amended from time to time. Such legal address shall be used for the delivery of all city services.