

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: 20 August 2014

SUBJECT: Temporary Moratorium on Road Name Changes

PRESENTER: Charles Russell Burrell

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

This Board has recently dealt with a multiple road name change requests, and expressed some dissatisfaction with the existing Ordinance. Another road name change appeal is currently pending.

Changes are in the process of drafting and discussion at the staff level regarding the Property Addressing Ordinance. Rather than dealing with the changes piecemeal, simultaneously with requests for name changes under the old and new versions of the ordinance, staff requests that you approve a short (120 day) moratorium on changes in road names under your Property Addressing Ordinance (Chapter 41 of the Henderson County Code). This will allow time for staff proposal and Board consideration of changes to this ordinance.

NOTE: The motion as drafted below would *not* affect or in any way delay the naming of newly recorded plats of streets or roads. Only changes in road names already accepted under the County's Property Addressing Ordinance would be affected. No moratorium concerning a "county development approval" as that term is used in N.C. Gen. Stat. §153A-340(h) is requested.¹

County staff will be present and prepared if requested to give further information on this matter.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Adoption of the proposed motion.

If the Board is so inclined, the following motion is suggested:

I move that the Board enact a one hundred twenty day moratorium on changes in road names already accepted under the County's Property Addressing Ordinance, and further direct staff to bring proposed changes in such Ordinance back to this Board within sixty days.

¹ Moratoria concerning "county development approvals" require a public hearing, and, if for more than 60 days, notice and a hearing, "[e]xcept in cases of imminent and substantial threat to public health or safety...."