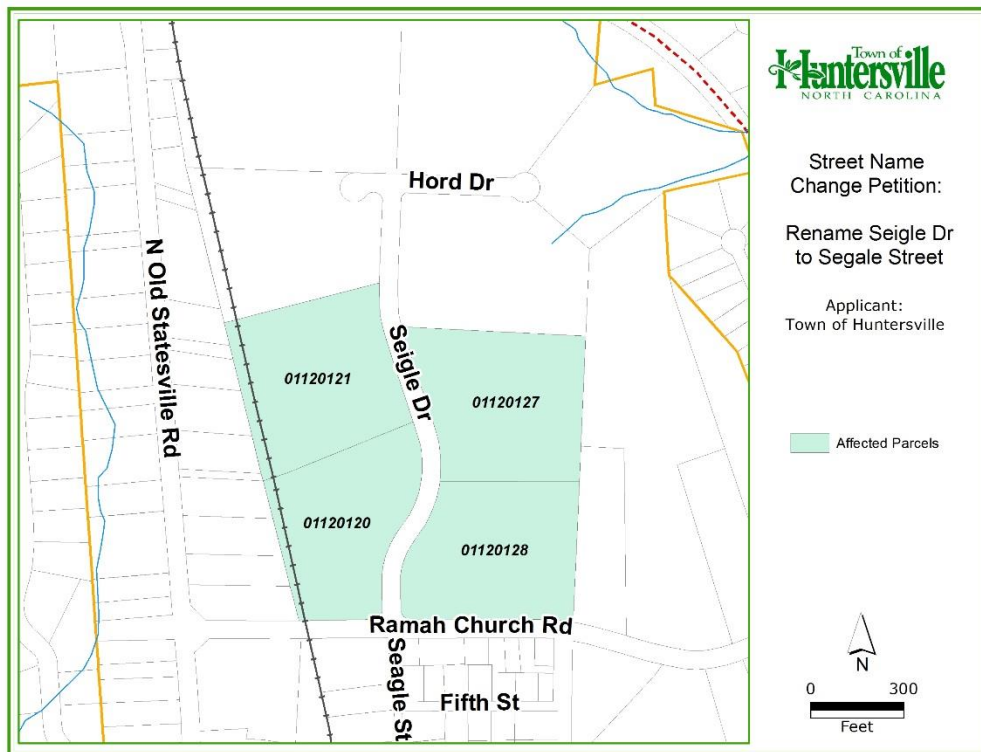


Street Name Change Petition: Seigle Drive to Seagle Street

PART 1: DESCRIPTION

Street Name Change Petition request by Town of Huntersville to rename all of Seigle Drive to Seagle Street, a length of 0.28 miles, beginning at Ramah Church Road and ending south of Hord Drive. The reason for this petition is to maintain street name consistency along the corridor, as the road south of Ramah Church Road is named Seagle Street and the road north of Ramah Church Road is named Seigle Drive.

PART 2: LOCATION



PART 3: PETITION SUBMITTAL STANDARDS

1. Authorized Submission Criteria: The Board of Commissioners, a department of the Town, or any property owner along a subject street may initiate a request to change the street name. The applicant of this petition is the Town of Huntersville (therefore, is qualified to submit the name change petition).
2. Application & Fee: The petition application was submitted in full (Attachment A). Fees are not required if the applicant is the Board of Commissioners or Town staff.
3. Availability of Street Name: Staff confirmed with Mecklenburg County Addressing that the proposed street name is available for use.

4. Petition: Applicant must submit a petition in favor of the name change signed by the owners of 75% or more of the lots that directly abut the subject street. The Town of Huntersville submitted a petition signed by 75% of the property owners abutting the street (Attachment B). However, 100% of the property owners whose lot is addressed on the subject street (therefore would be directly affected by the name change) signed the petition.
5. Notification: Notice of the January 4, 2016 public hearing was published on December 23rd in *The Charlotte Observer*. Property owners abutting the subject street also received a notice of the hearing by first class mail, in accordance with §97.07 of the Code of Ordinances (Attachment C).

PART 4: EVALUATION CRITERIA

§97.03 of the Code of Ordinances states “the Town Board of Commissioners shall consider the following criteria when evaluating any resolution for a street name change under their respective authority:

1. The delivery of personal, public and emergency services;
2. The similarity to existing street names;
3. Pronunciation and spelling;
4. Any condition, which may confuse the traveling public;
5. Place, name association or history;”

STAFF COMMENT – The street name change would affect the four (4) lots, and four (4) property owners, fronting Seigle Drive. Mecklenburg County Addressing does not believe renaming the subject street will cause conflict with existing street names. County Addressing also feels the street name change is beneficial, eliminating the current duplicate of Seigle Drive and Seigle Avenue, which is a larger street in Charlotte.

If the Board does approve the name change staff will immediately notify the postmaster, town police, fire, and Mecklenburg County GIS. Once Mecklenburg County GIS is notified, they will update the emergency dispatch list. In addition, staff will notify property owners abutting the subject street of the approved name change and provide an installation timeframe for the new street signs.

PART 5: PLANNING STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The petition meets the evaluation criteria set forth in §97.03 of the Code of Ordinances, for street name changes. Therefore, staff recommends approval of the street name change from Seigle Drive to Seagle Street.

PART 6: PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing will be held on January 4, 2016. In accordance with §97.03 of the Code of Ordinances the “Board of Commissioners may elect to make a decision on this item at either the current or a subsequent meeting”.

PART 7: ATTACHMENTS AND ENCLOSURES

Attachment A: Application

Attachment B: Street Name Change Petition

Attachment C: Code of Ordinances, Chapter 97: *Street Name Changes*