



City of Tarpon Springs, Florida

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November 12, 2020

Mr. Mark S. Woodard
County Administrator
Pinellas County
315 Court Street
Clearwater, Florida 33756

Dear Mr. Woodard:

Enclosed is a copy of Resolution 2020-64, naming that portion of previously undeveloped roadway connecting Meres Blvd. and Mango Street between Safford Avenue and Disston Avenue. This Resolution shall be effective as provided for by law.

Also enclosed is a copy of this document in individually addressed envelopes for distribution. It would be greatly appreciated if these could be distributed to the following:

County Planning Department
County Property Appraiser
County Tax Assessor's Office

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


Irene S. Jacobs, CMC
City Clerk & Collector

Enclosures

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS, FLORIDA; NAMING THAT PORTION OF PREVIOUSLY UNDEVELOPED ROADWAY CONNECTING MERES BLVD AND MANGO STREET BETWEEN SAFFORD AVENUE AND DISSTON AVENUE AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Tarpon Springs has authority to name city facilities in accordance with Article X of the City of Tarpon Springs Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, is expected in 2020 that a segment of undeveloped roadway connecting Meres Blvd. and Mango Street, between Safford Avenue and Disston Avenue will be completed; and

WHEREAS, the completion of this segment of roadway will establish an uninterrupted roadway between US Highway 19 and Florida Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the existing roadway name from Safford Avenue to Florida Avenue is Meres Blvd.; and

WHEREAS, the existing roadway name from Disston Avenue to US Highway 19 is Mango Street; and

WHEREAS, the remaining undeveloped roadway, upon opening, requires establishment of an official roadway name(s); and

WHEREAS, a proposed name may not be a living person or a name originating from or representing a religion; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines and criteria for a proposed name requires verification, to the degree possible, that the facility has not been previously named, or if an existing associated name is historically significant; and

WHEREAS, the suitability of the name must be established, and acceptable names that would be satisfactory may be discoverer, pioneer, donor, benefactor, previous or original land owner, organizer, or animal or object names which are indigenous or a specific animal or object of historical importance but not necessarily indigenous; and

WHEREAS, a search of historical records reveals that "Mango Street" first appears on the 1917 Map of the Town of Tarpon Springs and subsequently appears on the 1944 official Zoning Map and the 1952 plat of Toby Acres; and

WHEREAS, the name "Mango Street" is historically associated with mango trees planted in the area by past generations and is recognized by residents of the Union Academy neighborhood as part of its unique history; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the historical significance of the Union Academy neighborhood to retain the name of Mango Street on the section of roadway east of Disston Avenue to US Highway 19; and

WHEREAS, continuation of the existing roadway name (Meres Blvd.) associated with the roadway segment between Safford Avenue to Florida Avenue is desired for continuity of roadway naming, addressing, and dispatching of emergency services; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Themistocles Diamandis, who tirelessly encouraged multiple Boards of Commissioners to acquire the necessary public rights of way to complete this important east-west roadway as a primary hurricane evacuation route, is formally recognized for his dedication to the residents of Tarpon Springs;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the portion of roadway connecting Meres Blvd West to Mango Street between Safford Avenue and Disston Avenue shall officially be known as “Meres Boulevard East”. See Attachment A.

Section 2. That portion of roadway between Disston Avenue and US Highway 19 shall retain its name officially as “Mango Street”. See Attachment “A”.

Section 3. In recognition of the tireless efforts of Dr. Themistocles Diamandis to ensure completion of the “Meres-Mango” corridor as an uninterrupted roadway from US Highway 19 and Florida Avenue, this entire roadway segment shall be recognized in honor of Dr. Diamandis via an honorary / memorial roadway-naming, monument or signage. See Attachment B.

Section 4. The City Clerk is hereby directed to record a certified copy of this resolution upon the public records of Pinellas County, Florida and to notify all pertinent governmental agencies of the provisions hereof.

Section 5. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 13th day of October, 2020.


CHRIS ALAHOUZOS, MAYOR


JACOB KARR, VICE MAYOR

TOWNSEND TARAPANI, COMMISSIONER


CONNOR DONOVAN, COMMISSIONER



COSTA S. VATIKIOTIS, COMMISSIONER

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER VATIKIOTIS
SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER DONOVAN

VOTE ON MOTION

COMMISSIONER VATIKIOTIS	<u>Yes</u>
COMMISSIONER DONOVAN	<u>Yes</u>
COMMISSIONER TARAPANI	<u>Absent</u>
VICE MAYOR KARR	<u>No</u>
MAYOR ALAHOUZOS	<u>Yes</u>

ATTEST:


IRENE S. JACOBS, CMC
CITY CLERK & COLLECTOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM 


THOMAS J. TRASK, B.C.S
CITY ATTORNEY