

STAFF REPORT

July 25, 2002

No. 02RD004 - Resolution renaming Smith Avenue to Merlot Drive

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

PETITIONER	CETEC Engineering for Park Hill Development, Inc.
REQUEST	No. 02RD004 - Resolution renaming Smith Avenue to Merlot Drive
EXISTING LEGAL DESCRIPTION	The unplatted balance of the S1/2 of the NE1/4 and the NE1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 7, T1N, R8E, BHM, Rapid City, Pennington County, South Dakota
LOCATION	Park Meadows Subdivision
EXISTING ZONING	Low Density Residential District/Medium Density Residential District
SURROUNDING ZONING	
North:	Low Density Residential District/Medium Density Residential District
South:	Low Density Residential District/Medium Density Residential District
East:	Low Density Residential District
West:	Medium Density Residential District
PUBLIC UTILITIES	City sewer and water
DATE OF APPLICATION	06/28/2002
REPORT BY	Vicki L. Fisher

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Resolution renaming Smith Avenue to Merlot Drive be approved with the stipulation that the applicant shall replace all required street signs.

GENERAL COMMENTS:

The proposed road renaming request has been submitted to rename "Smith Avenue" located within the Park Meadows Subdivision to Merlot Drive. An existing road located within Cloverdale Subdivision is currently named "Smith Avenue". A previously approved Layout Plat identified "Smith Avenue" located within Park Hill aligning with "Smith Avenue" located within Cloverdale Subdivision. The Layout Plat has since been revised resulting in two separate roads with the same name. As such, the applicant has submitted this road name change request.

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STAFF REVIEW:

The Emergency Services Communication Center has reviewed the proposed new street name, "Merlot Drive", and is recommending approval. A letter notifying the eight affected property owners of the proposed road name change was mailed by the Planning Department on July 15, 2002. Staff will notify the Planning Commission at the July 25, 2002 Planning Commission meeting if the property owner(s) object to the road name change. However, in order to minimize any confusion emergency service personnel may have in responding to address(s) along the two roadways, staff is recommending that the road name change be approved as proposed.

It has been the policy of the City to require the developer(s) to arrange and pay for the replacement of the street signs. The Planning Department Staff will notify all affected agencies of the street and residents of the renaming after the City Council approves the request. In addition, staff will ensure the applicant has replaced the required street name signs in a timely manner.