

**Subject:** Renaming of Winnifred Place and 52<sup>nd</sup> Street

**Dept. Origin:** Planning Commission

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**For Agenda of:** October 2, 2018

**Exhibits:** Memo to Planning  
 Commission & Map

**Proposed Council Action:**

Discuss and provide direction to staff.

**Concurred by Mayor:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Initial & Date

**Approved/form by City Atty:** JSR/9-27-18

**Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Director:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved by Department Head:** \_\_\_\_\_

**INFORMATION / BACKGROUND**

Winnifred Place (location shown on the attached map) has long created confusion as it is adjacent to Winnifred Street. This confusion has caused deliveries, including US Mail to go astray. The City Council considered renaming of Winnifred Place to resolve this issue and referred this matter to the Planning Commission to consider potential new names and to then send its recommendation back to the City Council. The Council asked the Commission to consider Barbary Lane or Madrigal Lane as possibilities, but did not limit the Commission to those two possibilities.

The Planning Commission met on August 8, 2018 to consider the renaming. The Commission considered the two suggested names and asked staff to research other possible names, particularly those with a historical connection to the area. After conducting this research, staff returned to the Planning Commission on September 19, 2018 with the following list:

1. Argyle Addition (Plat)
2. Clarks Addition (Plat)
3. Budinich (Plat)
4. Green Street (Former street name for what is now Winnifred Street from 51st to Park Ave)
5. Market Street (Former street name for what is now Winnifred Street from 49th to 51st)

The Argyle Addition added lots to the City of Ruston in the vicinity of Winnifred Place, and therefore provides the most relevant local historic name. On this basis, the Planning Commission found that Argyle Place added the most historic context. **Therefore, the Planning Commission recommends that the Council change the name of Winnifred Place to Argyle Place.** There

is one property owner that needs to be notified prior to Council taking action, if the Council provides direction to move forward.

The property owner on the Southeast corner of 52<sup>nd</sup> Street and Winnifred Street contacted the City recently. That 52<sup>nd</sup> Street is not considered an alley in this location has created a hardship on the property owner. Therefore, this issue was brought to the Planning Commission along with the Winnifred Place street renaming. **After discussing the matter, the Planning Commission also recommends that the portion of 52<sup>nd</sup> Street which is east of Winnifred Street where it becomes an alley be changed from 52<sup>nd</sup> Street to 52<sup>nd</sup> Place.**

### **FISCAL CONSIDERATION**

There is a cost to provide new signage for the renamed streets.

### **BOARD OR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Planning Commission recommends renaming Winnifred Place to Argyle Place and recommends the portion of 52<sup>nd</sup> Street which is east of Winnifred Street where it becomes an alley be changed from 52<sup>nd</sup> Street to 52<sup>nd</sup> Place.

### **RECOMMENDATION / MOTION**

Discuss options and provide direction to staff. If Council directs a name change, a resolution effecting this change will be brought forward at a future Council meeting.



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** September 14, 2018  
**TO:** Chair Moser and Members of the Ruston Planning Commission  
**FROM:** Rob White, Planning Director  
**RE:** Consideration of Re-Naming Winnifred Place

As discussed at the August 8<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission meeting, the City Council recently discussed the possibility of renaming Winnifred Place in an effort to resolve long standing confusion, (mostly with mail delivery), due to its close proximity to Winnifred Street. At that meeting, the Council decided to ask the Planning Commission for a recommendation, with Barbary Lane or Madrigal Lane as recommended possibilities.

Planning Commission considered the suggested names and rejected them, asking staff to research other possible names, particularly those with local historical relevance. As requested, city staff researched various former names of local streets, plats and landmarks that would be better connected to Ruston's history, which generated the following list:

- 1) Argyle Addition (Plat)
- 2) Clarks Addition (Plat)
- 3) Budinich (Plat)
- 4) Green Street (Former street name for what is now Winnifred Street from 51<sup>st</sup> to Park Ave)
- 5) Market Street (Former street name for what is now Winnifred Street from 49<sup>th</sup> to 51<sup>st</sup>)

Looking a bit further into the above list of resources, staff found that the Argyle Addition added lots to the City of Ruston in the vicinity of Winnifred Place, and therefore provides the most relevant local historic name, in staff's opinion.

As a result, staff recommends that the Planning Commission make a motion to recommend that the City Council rename Winnifred Place to Argyle Lane or Argyle Place.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments. Thank you.



