

CITY PLAN COMMISSION

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2026

RECORD NUMBER: STNAME-26-000003

PLANNER: Sharmila Shrestha

LOCATION: between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road

DATE FILED: April 22, 2026

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 4

APPLICANT: City of Dallas

REQUEST: An application to change Woodbine Avenue between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road to “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue.”

SUMMARY:

- On April 22, 2026, the City of Dallas received a City Council memorandum requesting consideration of a street name change for Woodbine Avenue, between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road, to “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue.”
- The statement of reasons supporting the request is included in the attached memorandum.
- Notices for the City Plan Commission hearing were mailed on May 5, 2026, to 20 property owners notifying them of the proposed street name change. Notification signs were posted along Woodbine Avenue on May 4, 2026, and notice of the public hearing was published in the newspaper on May 8, 2026.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

<u>Thoroughfare/Street</u>	<u>Roadway Status</u>
Morrell Avenue	Minor Arterial
Woodbine Avenue	Minor Arterial
Hendricks Avenue	Minor Arterial
Strickland Street	Minor Arterial
Galloway Avenue	Minor Arterial
Waco Avenue	Minor Arterial
Renner Drive	Minor Arterial

STAFF ANALYSIS:

“Section 51A-9.304. STANDARDS FOR STREET NAMES AND STREET NAME CHANGES” are attached at the end of this report.

Street Name Change: In terms of compliance with Division 51A-9.300 of the Dallas Development Code, staff observe the following:

Section 51A-9.304(a)(5) states “A street name may not contain more than 14 characters providing; however, that the street-type designation may be abbreviated to comply with this requirement.”

The proposed street name, “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue,” contains 30 characters. Per Section 51A-9.304(a)(5), the street-type designation “Avenue” may be abbreviated to “Ave”; however, the proposed street name would still contain 27 characters. Therefore, approval of the proposed street name change will require a waiver of Section 51A-9.304(a)(5).

Section 51A-9.504(a)(1) states “A proposed label in a street name may not duplicate any existing label.”

The proposed change of “Woodbine Avenue” to “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue” complies with Section 51A-9.304(a)(1), as no other street within the City of Dallas has been named or renamed “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue.”

Section 51A-9.504(b)(1) states “Except as provided in paragraph (2), a roadway must have only one name.

- (2) Different names must be given to the same roadway under the following conditions:
 - A. If a minor roadway deviates from its predominant course at a 90-degree angle for a distance of more than 300 feet, a different name must be used for the predominant course and for each portion of the roadway deviating from the predominant course.
 - B. If two segments of a minor roadway are separated by an intervening land use that prohibits vehicular passage, and if future connections of the street segments through the use is unlikely, the segments of roadway on each side of the intervening use must have different names.
 - C. If a street is interrupted and offsets more than 150 feet at a cross street, different names must be given to the offset street segments.

The proposed change of Woodbine Avenue, between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road, to “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue” does not comply with Section 51A-9.304(b)(1). The request proposes renaming only a portion of Woodbine Avenue between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road. Woodbine Avenue extends between Renner Road and South Corinth Street Road. The remaining portion of Woodbine Avenue, between Morrell Avenue and South Corinth Street Road, would not be changed. Therefore, approval of this request will require a waiver of Section 51A-9.304(b)(1)

Section 51A-9.304(c)(2) states “A street name commemorating a person, or a historic site or area is prohibited until at least two years after the death of the person to be honored or the occurrence of the event to be commemorated.”

The proposed change of Woodbine Avenue, between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road, to “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue” does not comply with Section 51A-9.304(c)(2), as he is not deceased. Therefore, approval of this request will require a waiver of Section 51A-9.304(c)(2).

Section 51A-9.304(d)(3) states “No street name may have more than two labels before the street-type designation.

Per Section 51A-9.301(5) “Label” means the portion of a street name that attaches a creative identity to a roadway. For example, in the street name “Frankin Road,” Franklin is the label. The proposed Street name “Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue” does not comply with Section 51A-9.304(d)(3). The approval of this request will require a waiver for Section 51A-9.304(d)(3).

Departmental Responses: Information on this case was routed to the following entities on April 23, 2026.

Department/Entity	Date of response	Department/Entity	Date of response
AT&T	N/R	Property Management	NR
Atmos Energy	N/R	Police	NR
Building Inspection (Arborist)	NR	Department of Transportation	5/19/26
City Archivist	5/13/26	Public Works	NR
City Attorney	NR	Sanitation Services	N/R
Comprehensive Planning	N/R	School District	5/13/26
Dallas County Historical Commission	N/R	Texas DOT	NR
DART	N/R	SD&C_ENG.	NR
Fire Department	N/R	TXU Electric	N/R
Long Range Planning	NR	US Post Office	N/R
Park and Recreation	5/18/26	Street Name Coordinator	5/13/26

N/R= No written Response

- **Street Name Coordinator:** No objection if certain conditions are met
 - Waive Sections 51A-9.304(a)(5)
- **City Archivist:** No objection
- **Dallas Independent School District:** No objection
- **Department of Transportation:** No objection
- **Park and Recreation:** No objection

WAIVERS ARE NEEDED FOR:

- Section 51A-9.304(a)(5) “A street name may not contain more than 14 characters providing, however, that the street-type designation may be abbreviated to comply with this requirement.”
- Section 51A-9.504(b)(1) “Except as provided in paragraph (2), a roadway must have only one name.
- Section 51A-9.304(c)(2) “A street name commemorating a person, or a historic site or area is prohibited until at least two years after the death of the person to be honored or the occurrence of the event to be commemorated.”
- Section 51A-9.304(d)(3) “No street name may have more than two labels before the street-type designation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This request requires waivers of Section 51A-9.304(a)(5), Section 51A-9.304(b)(1), Section 51A-9.304(c)(2), and Section 51A-9.304(d)(3). Staff recommend approval of the request provided that the required waivers are granted.

SUBDIVISION REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On May 21, 2026, the Subdivision Review Committee, by unanimous vote, recommended denial of the request to rename Woodbine Avenue, between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road, to "Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue."

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 22, 2026

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT Request for Street Name Change – **Woodbine Avenue Honoring Dr. David Henderson Jr.**

This memorandum respectfully requests approval to rename **Woodbine Avenue between Morrell Avenue and Renner Road**, including the **900–1200 block of Woodbine Avenue**, in honor of **Dr. David Henderson Jr.**, in recognition of his lifetime of faithful service and extraordinary impact on the City of Dallas.

Dr. Henderson has served the Dallas community for more than five decades as a pastor, spiritual leader, and community advocate. He preached for over 52 years and pastored **Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church** for 41 years, helping transform the church into a cornerstone of faith, empowerment, and community uplift in Southern Dallas. His leadership extended beyond the pulpit through local and national service roles, mentoring generations and strengthening the connection between faith and civic life.

Dr. Henderson's influence extends far beyond the church. He has served in numerous leadership capacities, including Vice President of the African American Pastors Coalition C.D.C. Board, President of the Baptist Ministers Conference, and Instructor for the Congress of Christian Education, U.S.A. His prophetic voice, commitment to social justice, and unwavering advocacy for community uplift have strengthened bridges between faith institutions and civic life throughout Dallas.

Changing the name of Woodbine Avenue to Dr. David Henderson Jr. Avenue, near Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, would serve as a lasting and visible tribute to Dr. Henderson's legacy of service, leadership, and faith, while permanently recognizing his contributions to the residents of Dallas and the broader Southern Dallas community.

Please contact my office should additional information be required.


Maxie Johnson
Council Member, District 4


Zarin Gracey
Council Member, District 3

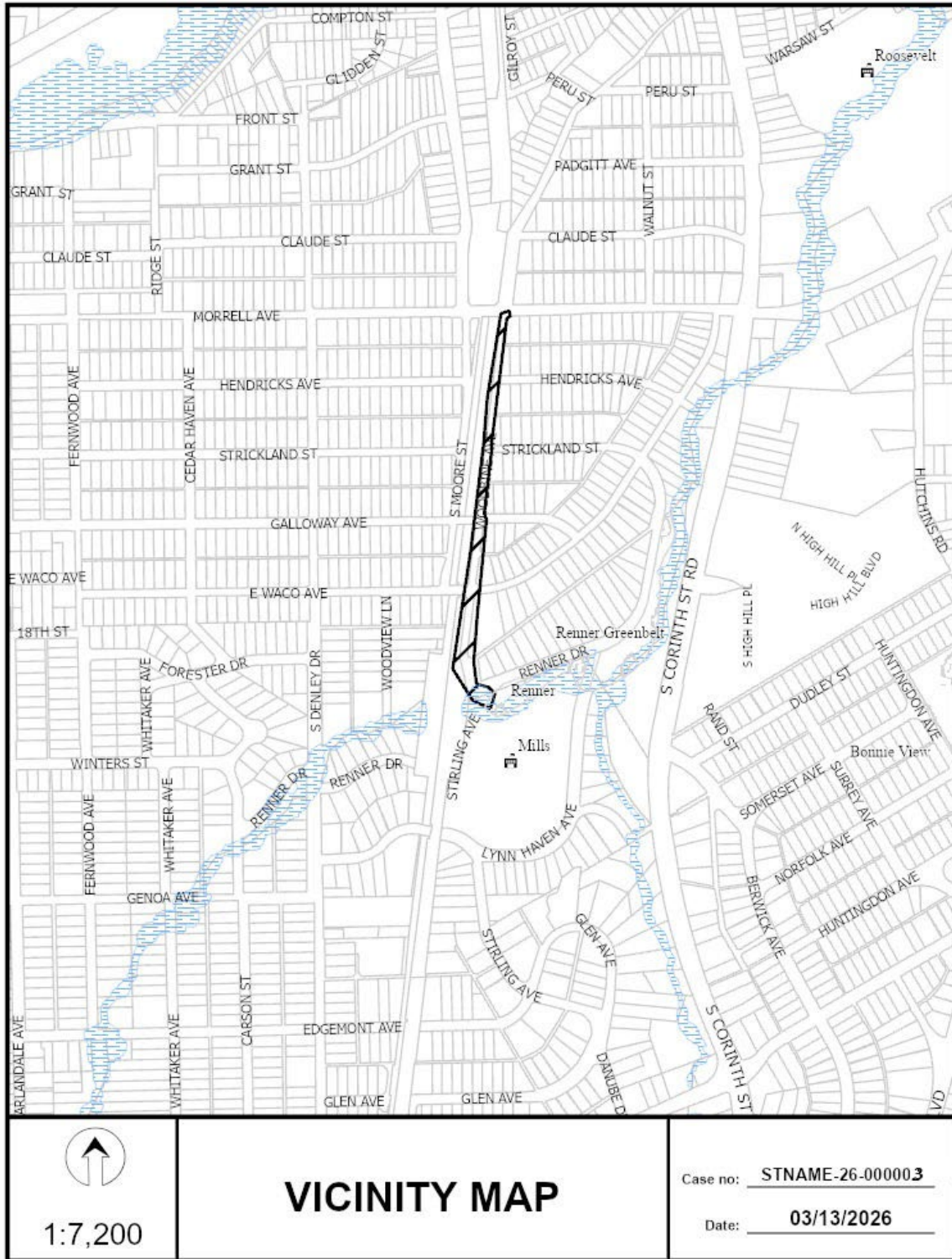

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VICINITY MAP

Case no: STNAME-26-000003

Date: 03/13/2026

05/15/2026

Notification List of Property Owners

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20 Property Owners Notified

Label #	Address	Owner
1	1398 MORRELL AVE	ONCOR ELECRC DELIVERY COMPANY
2	1398 MORRELL AVE	ONCOR ELECRC DELIVERY COMPANY
3	1403 RENNER DR	MANJREKAR ASHISH
4	1406 WACO AVE	GREATER DELIVERANCE
5	1402 GALLOWAY AVE	AYALA JOSE DE JESUS CARRERA
6	1405 WACO AVE	FLORES JOSE CARLOS &
7	1402 STRICKLAND ST	M6 HOMES LLC
8	1403 GALLOWAY AVE	GARICAORDUNA MARIA L
9	1402 HENDRICKS AVE	VILLEGAS AUGUSTINA
10	1403 STRICKLAND ST	VAZQUEZ JOSE MANUEL &
11	1400 MORRELL AVE	DAVIS OLIVER
12	1401 HENDRICKS AVE	MANNING ERNEST B &
13	1403 MORRELL AVE	GREATER MT PLEASANT
14	800 MOORE ST	DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT
15	1407 GALLOWAY AVE	MARTINEZ ARTURO
16	1407 STRICKLAND ST	DERKA HOMES LLC
17	1405 HENDRICKS AVE	DLK TRUST THE
18	555 2ND AVE	DART
19	555 2ND AVE	DART
127	555 2ND AVE	DART

SECTION 51A-9.304. STANDARDS FOR STREET NAMES AND STREET NAME CHANGES:

(a) In general.

- (1) A proposed label in a street name may not duplicate any existing label.
- (2) A proposed street name may not be similar to an existing street name so that it creates confusion or an obstacle to the provision of emergency services.
- (3) If all of the standards in this section are met, a roadway that extends into the city of Dallas from a contiguous municipality must adopt the street name given the street by the contiguous municipality.
- (4) A street name that uniquely identifies a particular tract, tenant, or product name is prohibited.
- (5) A street name may not contain more than 14 characters providing, however, that the street-type designation may be abbreviated to comply with this requirement.
- (6) Hyphenated and apostrophied street names are prohibited.

(b) Number of names for a roadway.

- (1) Except as provided in Paragraph (2), a roadway must have only one name.
- (2) Different names must be given to the same roadway under the following conditions:
 - (A) If a minor roadway deviates from its predominant course at a 90-degree angle for a distance of more than 300 feet, a different name must be used for the predominant course and for each portion of the roadway deviating from the predominant course.
 - (B) If two segments of a minor roadway are separated by an intervening land use that prohibits vehicular passage, and if future connections of the street segments through the use is unlikely, the segments of roadway on each side of the intervening use must have different names.
 - (C) If a street is interrupted and offsets more than 150 feet at a cross street, different names must be given to the offset street segments.

(c) Historic street names.

- (1) A historic street name may not be changed.
- (2) A street name commemorating a person, or a historic site or area is prohibited until at least two years after the death of the person to be honored or the occurrence of the event to be commemorated.

(d) Street type and label designation.

- (1) A street name may not contain more than one street-type designation. For example, the street name "John Doe Place Road" is not permitted.
- (2) The designation of the street type must be based upon the features of the roadway, such as the traffic volumes carried by the roadway, its physical design and construction characteristics, and its role in the surrounding street network.

(3) No street name may have more than two labels before the street-type designation.

(e) Directional prefix and suffix.

(1) A directional prefix is permitted only when the roadway intersects one of the official baselines used by the city.

(2) A directional suffix is permitted as an indicator for address location.

(f) Guidelines.

(1) A street name may be based upon physical, political, or historic features of the area.

(2) The name of a subdivision and names thematically related to the name of a subdivision may be given to a street within the subdivision.

(g) Waiver.

The city council, by a three-fourth vote of its members, may waive any of the standards contained in this section when waivers would be in public interest and would not impair the public health, safety, or welfare. (Ord. Nos. 19832; 23407)