



# County of Monterey

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## Board Report

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Receive a preliminary analysis report in response to **Board Referral No. 2021.25** seeking East Garrison street renaming.

### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

- a. Receive a preliminary analysis report in response to **Board Referral No. 2021.25** and;
- b. Direct that staff proceed with completion of referral based on description in this report; or,
- c. Direct that staff:
  - i. Proceed with completion of referral based on modifications by the Board; or,
  - ii. Return to Board with a more comprehensive analysis of referral and anticipated effort for completion; or,
  - iii. Rescind referral.
- d. Provide further direction, as appropriate.

### PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS:

#### **Referral Summary & Background:**

On November 16, 2021, the Board added Supervisor Root-Askew's Referral No. 2021.25 to the County Board of Supervisors' referral matrix. The referral is seeking to identify the process and funding for the renaming of certain streets in the East Garrison subdivision (East Garrison) and revise the naming approval process (please see Attachment A for the Board Referral).

#### **Proposed Project Description:**

East Garrison is a subdivision located off Reservation Road, between Blanco Road and Davis Road. East Garrison was brought to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors in phases, with the Final Map of Phase 3 accepted by the Board at the December 12, 2017 Board Meeting. As part of the Conditions of Approval, proposed street names were submitted in compliance with the conditions. The names submitted were reviewed pursuant to the County Policy, last amended January 13, 1987 (please see Attachment B). Community members have expressed concerns about the names, the street naming process, and requested the County undertake a renaming as appropriate. The current process does not include any evaluation of name appropriateness.

Staff is researching the list of potentially impacted streets to be able to report back to the Board, the process for renaming streets, the estimated timeline to make name changes, the cost for renaming the streets, and a proposed revised Street Naming Policy. When the costs are determined, staff will be working with the Budget Office to identify funds to undertake any proposed renaming.

#### **Estimated Project Cost:**

Costs are not fully determined at this time but will likely take a combination of staff time and fees. Staffing level estimates are undetermined at this time. Time impacts associated with this request may include staff time from Housing and Community Development Department (HCD), Public Works, Facilities and Parks Department (PWFP), County Communications (Monterey County Emergency Communications Department),

the Office of the County Counsel, and outside agencies such as the Monterey County Regional Fire District (MCRFD). Pursuant to the current Monterey County Fee Resolution, effective August 21, 2021, the renaming fee is approximately \$3569 per street.

**Staffing Level Estimate:**

Staffing level estimates are undetermined at this time. Time impacts associated with this request may include staff time from HCD, PWFP, County Communications (Monterey County Emergency Communications Department), the Office of the County Counsel, and outside agency staff time from the MCRFD.

**Departmental Challenges:**

While many street names have already been compiled, Staff is further researching the names of streets for relevance to the Board Referral. This could take in-depth biographical research.

Another challenge is the revision of the process of renaming streets, to ensure it is compatible with other existing policies, such as the Monterey County General Plan. Community engagement is also an important aspect, and Staff suggests a fact sheet be created for the public, amongst other information tools. The level of Board involvement needs to be considered - Recently in 2021, the United States Congress created “The Commission on the Naming of Items of the Department of Defense that Commemorate the Confederate States of America or Any Person Who Served Voluntarily with the Confederate States of America”, more commonly referred to as “The Naming Commission”. The Board of Supervisors may want to consider establishing a similar committee for the naming of streets.

**Proposed Response Date:**

In accordance with the Board Referral, staff proposes to return to the Board prior to April 30, 2022.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

The recommended action supports the Board of Supervisors’ Strategic Initiatives for Administration. These services will allow the streets in East Garrison to be renamed and allow a more thorough evaluation of the street naming approval process.

- ☐ Economic Development
- ☒ Administration
- ☐ Health & Human Services
- ☐ Infrastructure
- ☐ Public Safety

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**Attachments:**

Attachment A - Board Referral No. #2021.25

Attachment B - Board Order Amending Recommended Standards for Road Naming and Numbering (AKA: County Policy), dated January 13, 1987