

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2021-103

*Approving the Honorary Naming of the corner of Booker Street and Piedmont Avenue
"Bible Way Piedmont Lane"*

WHEREAS, Bible Way Church of Christ was established in 1957 by a small group of believers and began holding services in a small house on Wheat Street, relocated to 912 Hampton Street and in 1974 located to a new church building at 3111 Piedmont Avenue where it continues to thrive and impact the community; and,


WHEREAS, throughout its history, Bible Way Church of Christ has served not only its members, but also the Booker Washington Heights Community and the Columbia area; and,

WHEREAS, Bible Way Church of Christ organizes food and clothing drives and school supply giveaways; participates in community National Night Out, National Day of Prayer and community Noonday Prayer; and provides Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to the community; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED this 5th day of October, 2021, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbia hereby approve the honorary naming of the corner of Booker Street and Piedmont Avenue "Bible Way Church Way." The design and color of the honorary signs shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works.


Requested by:

Councilmember McDowell



Mayor


Approved by:



City Manager

ATTEST:

Approved as to form:



City Attorney



City Clerk

Introduced: 10/5/2021

Final Reading: 10/5/2021

APPLICATION



HONORARY STREET/FACILITY AND SITE NAMING

Please see submission checklist for materials necessary for application
SUBMISSION MATERIALS MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION
Application form and materials are **DUE AT 4:00 p.m.** thirty (30) days prior to ceremony.

- Is the designation: Street Naming Topper
(sign will be posted above standard city street signs)
 Facility and site naming
- Checklist: Application
 Council Member Sponsor
 Letter(s) of Support



Bishop James Mack, Jr.
Applicant Signature*

bishopjmac63@gmail.com
E-mail Address

James Mack
Print Name

3111 Piedmont Ave
Mailing Address

803-906-4936
Phone Number

8.31.2021
Date

Check and initial acknowledging application requirements.

- JM Signage wording cannot exceed twenty-six characters
- JM Any changes to initial request must be made no more than 20 days prior to ceremony in writing
- JM Signage wording and resolution will be finalized 15 days prior to ceremony
- JM Applicant must provide letter(s) of support from neighborhood association, institution or business(s) impacted by the proposed honorary street, facility or site naming

APPLICATION



HONORARY STREET/FACILITY AND SITE NAMING

1. Name of individual or organization to be honored:

Bible Way Church of Christ

2. Name of street, facility or site proposed for designation:

Please list the intersecting street and block number. No more than two signs are permitted per designation.

2800 block Booker St.

3200 block Piedmont Ave.

3. Attach sheet describing the significant contribution(s) this individual or organization has made in the community:

4. Location, date and time of unveiling ceremony:

Bible Way Church, 3111 Piedmont Ave. on Friday, October 8-3pm

5. Council Member Sponsor:

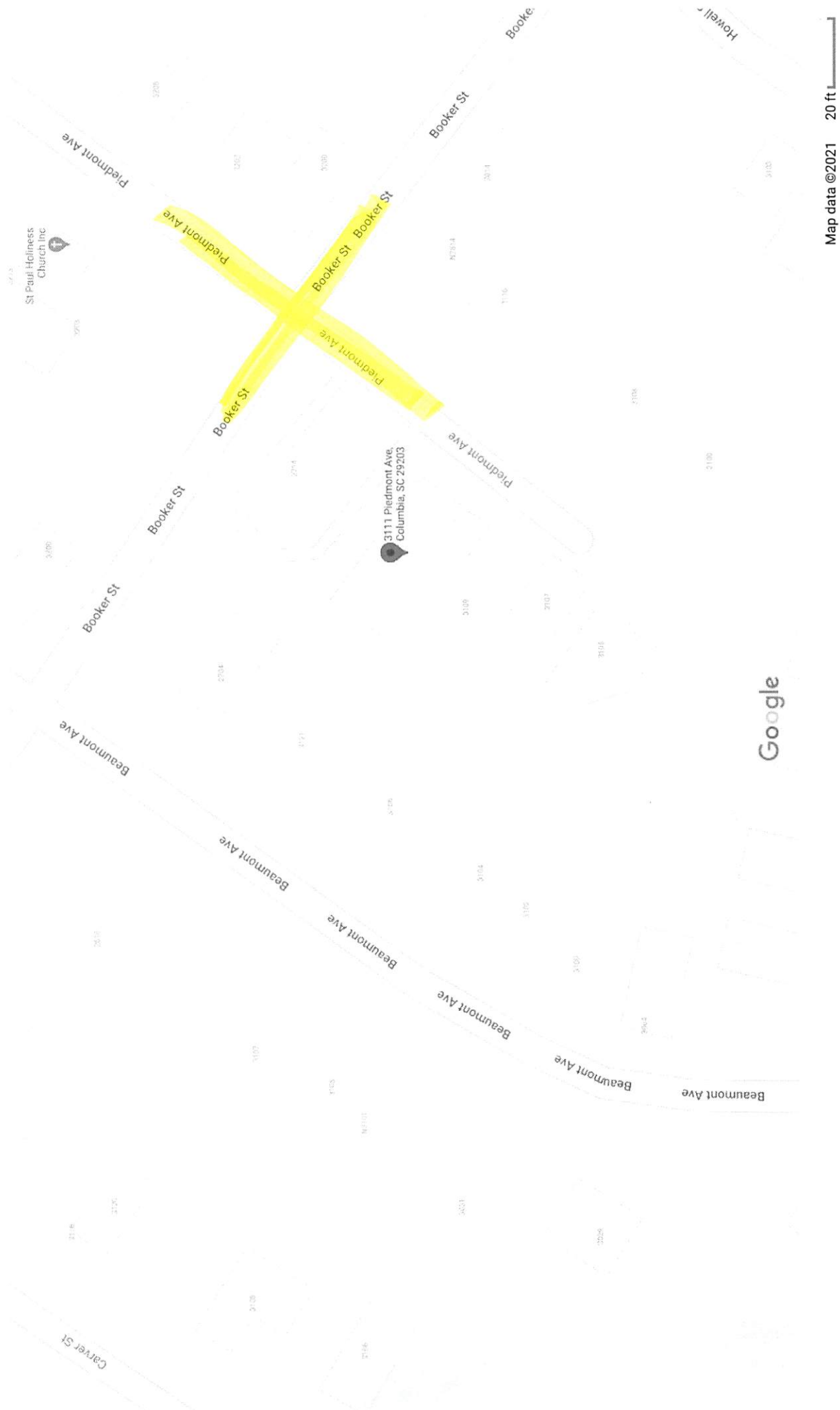
Name: Edward McDowell

FOR STAFF USE:

Council Member Sponsor: Approved Rejected

Public Works: Approved Rejected

Review Type: Staff Council _____ Council Date



St Paul's Holiness Church Inc

3111 Piedmont Ave,
Columbia, SC 29203

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We Stand on the Positive Side of Change

August 16, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Bibleway Church of Christ, located at 3111 Piedmont Avenue has been a part of the Booker Washington Heights Community for sixty-five (65) years. We, the Booker Washington Heights Neighborhood Organization, congratulate them on this milestone anniversary.

To pay homage to the church and church family, and because of the wonderful support they willingly provide to the Booker Washington Heights community, our neighborhood organization supports the honorary renaming of Booker Street to Bibleway Way.

Again, we offer sincere congratulations and gratitude to the church. We also celebrate with Bishop Dr. James Mack and the congregation during this joyous anniversary celebration!

Sincerely,

The Booker Washington Heights Neighborhood Organization

Regina E. Williams	J. Kevin Speaks	Kathy Goodwin	Sylvia Williams
President	V. President	Treasurer	Secretary

T. E. A. M.

Together Everyone Achieves More



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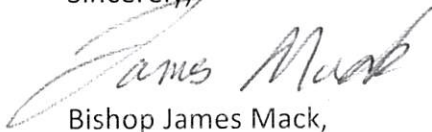
Councilman Edward McDowell,

As Pastor of the Bible Way Church of Christ, I petition for the renaming of the corner of Booker Street and Piedmont Avenue to be named Bible Way Church Way. The church has been an intricate part of the Booker Washington Heights Community since 1974. The foundation of servitude to God and the community began with the founding pastor, Bishop Chester A Byrd and has continued until this day.

I have served as Pastor for past seven years and we continue to serve the community. Some of our community involvement includes food and clothing drives, school supply giveaway, community national night out participants, National Day of Prayer participants, community noon day prayers and thanksgiving baskets. This just an example of ways that we continue to impact the community. Our community outreach has led to increased membership with new members coming directly from the Booker Washington Heights Community. We are excited about the great things God has in store for the Booker Washington Heights community.

Therefore, it is with great pleasure that I submit this letter for the renaming of the 2800 block of Booker Street and 3200 block of Piedmont Ave to "Bible Way Church Way". Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Mack".

Bishop James Mack,
Pastor





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Dear City Leaders and Council Members,

The Executive Board of Directors and the Administrative Staff of the Bible Way Church of Christ support the renaming of Booker Street and Piedmont Avenue to Bible Way Church Way. As members of the church, we have worked in the community providing various community services and contributions through outreach.

We have included a list of community outreach programs with our formal application. On behalf of the church and community we thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Julia Cooper
Administrator





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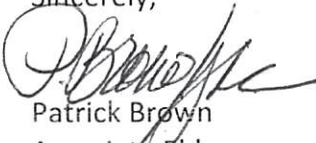
Dear City Leaders and Councilman McDowell,

I am writing on behalf of Bible Way Church of Christ located at 3111 Piedmont Avenue, Columbia SC in the Booker Washington Heights Community. I am petitioning that Booker Street and Piedmont Avenue be renamed Bible Way Church Way. This is to honor the church for being a staple and pillar in the community since 1974. I have had the honor of serving the church and community since 1999.

Bible Way Church has provided a variety of outreach to this community to bridge the gap and meet the needs of the people. With such programs as Community Cookouts, Food/Clothing Giveaways, Thanksgiving baskets, Vacation Bible School and Back to School Bashes. In addition, Bible Way has been a source of spiritual guidance and counseling to all who have entered the doors.

Please consider the honorary distinction of renaming Booker Street for the dedicated and committed services that Bible Way Church has rendered for over forty-six (46) years. If you need any additional information you can contact me at 803-477-6660.

Sincerely,


Patrick Brown
Associate Elder





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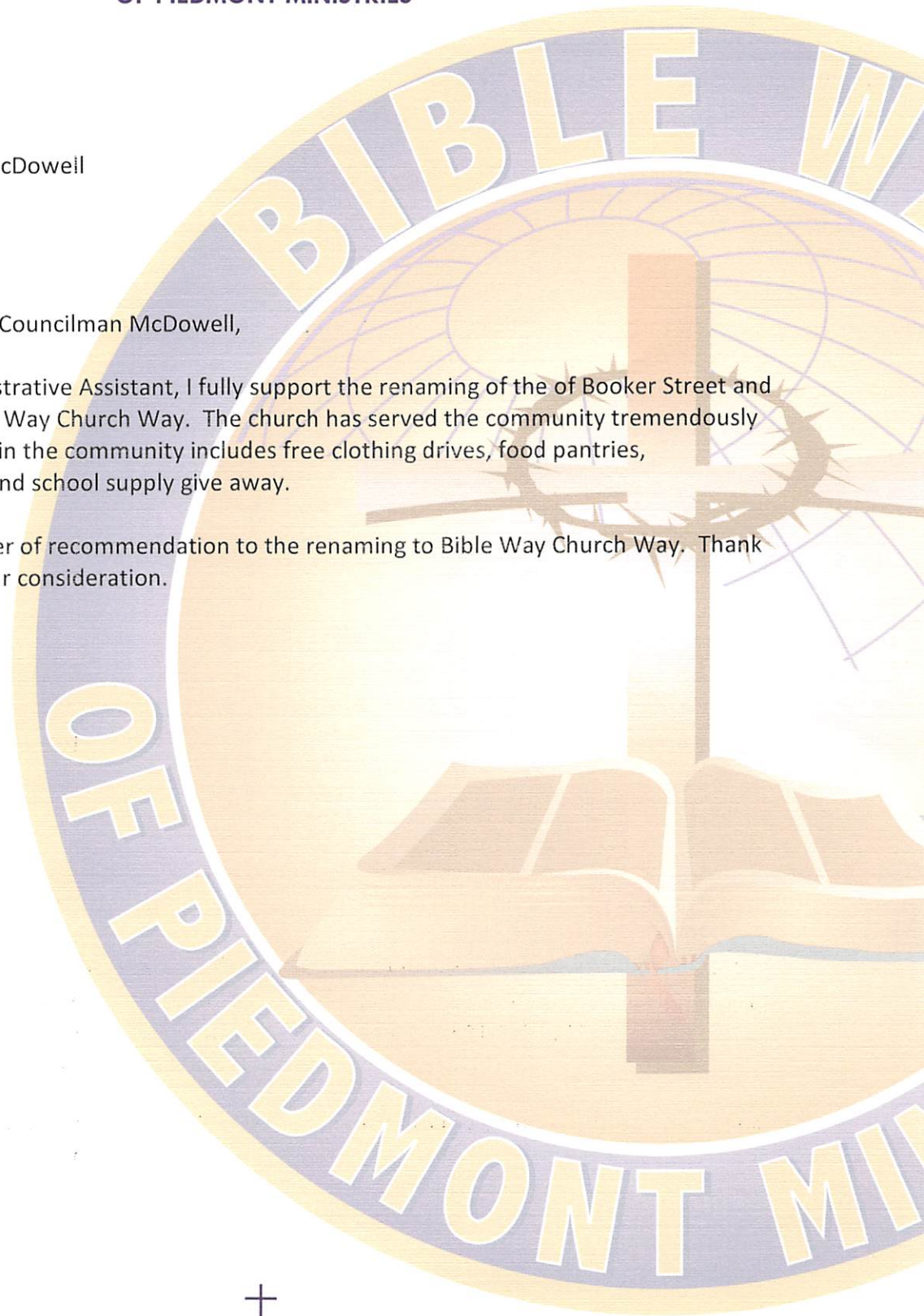
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Dear City Leaders and Councilman McDowell,

As the Pastors Administrative Assistant, I fully support the renaming of the of Booker Street and Piedmont Ave to Bible Way Church Way. The church has served the community tremendously since 1974. Our work in the community includes free clothing drives, food pantries, thanksgiving baskets and school supply give away.

Please accept this letter of recommendation to the renaming to Bible Way Church Way. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Michelle Renwick,
Secretary





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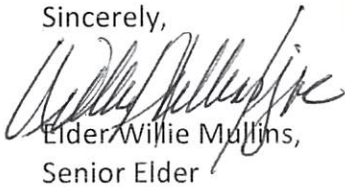
Dear City Leaders and Councilman McDowell,

As a long-standing member of the Bible Way Church of Christ since 1972 I fully support the renaming of Piedmont Ave to Bible Way Church Way.

Bible Way has been in the community for 46 years. We are proud of our accomplishments in the community and the work we have done. We have provided spiritual help to the community as well as address the needs of the less fortunate. The church as done more but this names a few.

We are looking forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Elder Willie Mullins,
Senior Elder





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Dear City Officials,

As a member of the Bible Way Church since 1972 I fully support the renaming of Piedmont Avenue to Bible Way Church Way. I have watched as our ministry grew through community involvement and outreach. Through community outreach we have a lot of people to become members of our church. We have done a lot in the community to include food and clothing giveaways, thanksgiving and Christmas baskets and so much more.

It is with great enthusiasm that I submit this letter of recommendation. Thanks in advance for your careful consideration.

Sincerely,


Franklin Cooper,
Deacon Board





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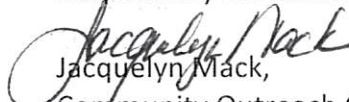
Councilman McDowell,

I have lived in the greater Columbia area my whole life and the center of my experience has been with the Bible Way Church. It would be a great accomplishment if we were able to change the name of Piedmont Avenue to Bible Way Church Way.

Bible Way Church has been in the Booker Washington Heights for 47 years and we have a heart for the people. We have actively supported the community by holding various programs including clothing and food drives, community cookouts, providing Saturday morning breakfast and so much more. In addition, we also created a basketball team, Bible Way Tigers, for our local youth.

It would be a great honor to rename Piedmont Avenue and Booker Street to Bible Way Church Way. Thanks for your consideration and support.

Respectfully submitted,


Jacquelyn Mack,
Community Outreach Coordinator

