

AN ORDINANCE 2014 - 05 - 15 - 0349

**AUTHORIZING A STREET NAME CHANGE FROM "WALZEM ROAD"
TO "BRANCHING COURT" BETWEEN THE INTERSECTIONS OF
WALZEM ROAD (FM1976) AND GIBBS SPRAWL ROAD IN CITY
COUNCIL DISTRICT 2, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.**

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WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation ("TXDOT") changed the alignment of the Walzem Road right-of-way circa 1982-1986 with the expansion of Walzem Road. The old alignment of Walzem Road maintained its existing street name, resulting in the City having duplicate streets named "Walzem Rd" within its municipal boundary; and

WHEREAS, the duplicate street names create conflict when assigning addresses to existing and future development within the area, and presents safety concerns in the event emergency services are unable to locate the correct property in a timely manner. The street name change will simplify the traffic patterns, enhance public safety, improve emergency response times, and minimize public confusion; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the conflict cited above, the City of San Antonio Development Services Department has initiated an application in coordination with Transportation and Capital Improvements Department and TXDOT to rename approximately one thousand one hundred forty-six (1,146) linear feet of street between the new alignment of Walzem Road (also known as FM 1976) and Gibbs-Sprawl Road; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 6 of the City Code authorizes and provides a process to rename streets; and

WHEREAS, as part of that process, this request was forwarded to and reviewed by applicable City of San Antonio Departments and outside agencies and approved; and

WHEREAS, notice of this request to rename said street was properly posted at City Hall, notice was mailed to affected property owners, and notice was disseminated through public service announcements, the notice requirements for renaming streets have been satisfied and further, no written opposition has been received to the name change from property owners; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing before the Planning Commission was held on April 9, 2014, allowing all interested persons to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission thereafter approved a motion to support the street name change of "Walzem Road" to "Branching Court"; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. "Walzem Road" located in City Council District 2 between the intersections of Walzem Road (FM1976) and Gibbs Sprawl Road is hereby renamed "Branching Court." A graphic detailing the location and segment of road to be renamed is attached as Exhibit 1.

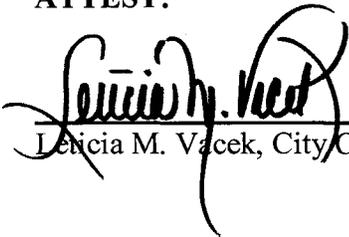
SECTION 2. There is no financial burden as a result of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance becomes effective immediately upon receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of May, 2014.

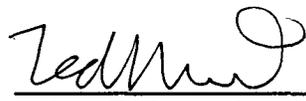

M A Y O R
Julián Castro

ATTEST:



Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

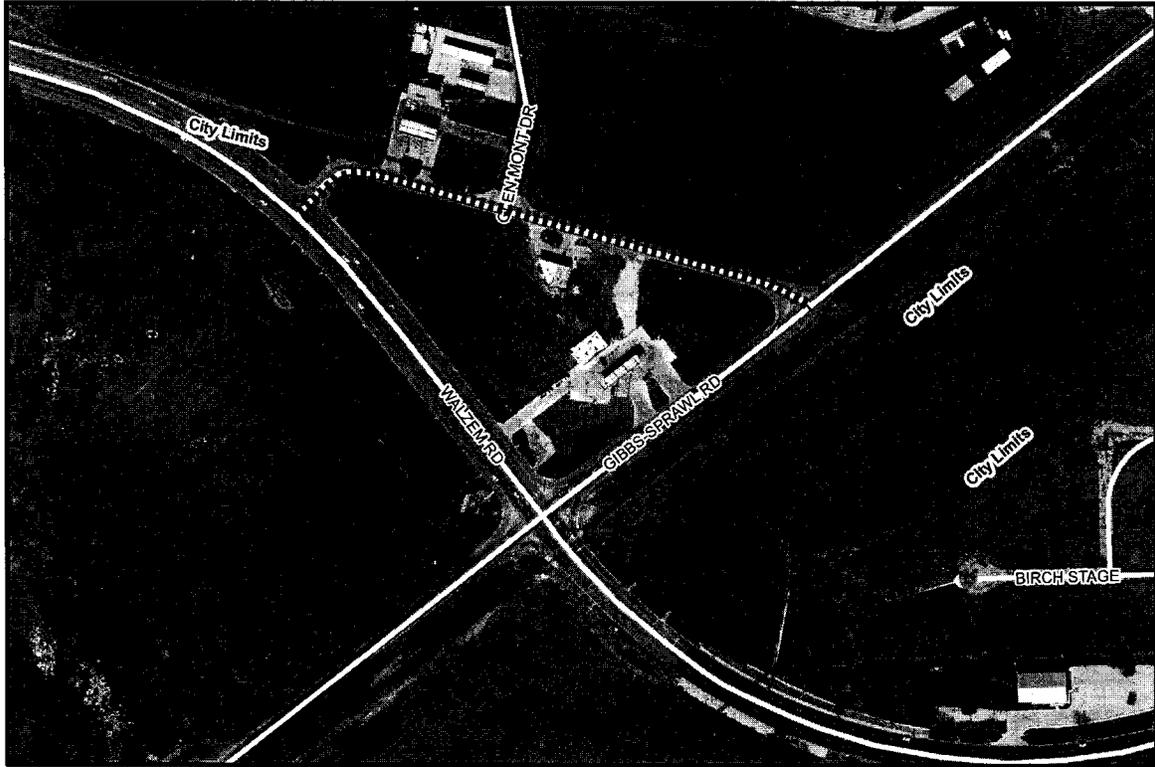


for Robert F. Greenblum, City Attorney

Agenda Item:	32 (in consent vote: 32, 33, Z-1, Z-2, P-1, Z-3, Z-5, Z-6, Z-8)
Date:	05/15/2014
Time:	02:14:44 PM
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve
Description:	An Ordinance Authorizing a street name change from "Walzem Road" to "Branching Court" between the intersections of Walzem Road (FM1976) and Gibbs Sprawl Road in City Council District 2, San Antonio, Texas.
Result:	Passed

Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Julián Castro	Mayor		x				
Diego Bernal	District 1		x				
Ivy R. Taylor	District 2	x					
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x				
Rey Saldaña	District 4		x				x
Shirley Gonzales	District 5		x				
Ray Lopez	District 6		x			x	
Cris Medina	District 7		x				
Ron Nirenberg	District 8		x				
Joe Krier	District 9		x				
Michael Gallagher	District 10		x				

EXHIBIT 1



City of San Antonio
Development Services Department
Land Entitlements Section
1901 S. Alamo, San Antonio, Texas 78204
P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, Texas 78283
<http://www.sanantonio.gov/dsd>
March 11, 2014

Street Name Change S13-002
Between Walzem Rd (FM 1976)
and Gibbs-Sprawl Rd
Existing Name: Walzem Rd
Proposed Name: Branching Court
City Council District 2

Legend
----- Subject Street Segment (Walzem Rd)
[] COSA City Limits



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