



Huntsville, Alabama

305 Fountain Circle
Huntsville, AL 35801

Cover Memo

Meeting Type: City Council Regular Meeting **Meeting Date:** 4/9/2026

File ID: TMP-6812

Department: City Council

Subject:

Type of Action: Introduction

Introduction of an Ordinance renaming the portion of Cleveland Avenue from Meridian Street to Church Street to "Microwave Dave Way."

Ordinance No.

Finance Information:

Account Number: NA

City Cost Amount: NA

Total Cost: NA

Special Circumstances:

Grant Funded: NA

Grant Title - CFDA or granting Agency: NA

Resolution #: NA

Location: (list below)

Address: Cleveland Avenue

District: District 1 ☐ District 2 ☐ District 3 ☐ District 4 ☐ District 5 ☐

Additional Comments:

ORDINANCE NO. 26-_____

WHEREAS, Microwave Dave Gallaher is an internationally recognized blues musician, harmonica virtuoso and vocalist whose performance and recording career has spanned decades; and

WHEREAS, Microwave Dave is the founder of the Microwave Dave Music Education Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing music education access and opportunities for young people; and

WHEREAS, as frontman of *The Nukes* and other projects, Microwave Dave has contributed significantly to the preservation and advancement of blues music in North Alabama and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Microwave Dave has represented Huntsville, Alabama on regional, national, and international stages, serving as a cultural ambassador for the city's music community; and

WHEREAS, Microwave Dave's leadership, mentorship, and advocacy have helped cultivate the next generation of musicians and strengthened Huntsville's creative ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, Microwave Dave's commitment to music education and community outreach initiatives have enriched the quality of life for citizens in Huntsville; and

WHEREAS, Microwave Dave's contributions have elevated Huntsville's reputation as a city that values music, art, education and cultural heritage as essential components of our community identity; and

WHEREAS, Microwave Dave is a cornerstone figure in Huntsville's music history, embodying the spirit, authenticity, and resilience of the city's creative community

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, as follows:

That the name of the portion of Cleveland Avenue NW located between Church Street NW and Meridian Street NE, as further depicted on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, within the City of Huntsville, Alabama, shall be and the same is hereby redesignated, renamed, and hereafter shall be officially known as follows:

"Microwave Dave Way".

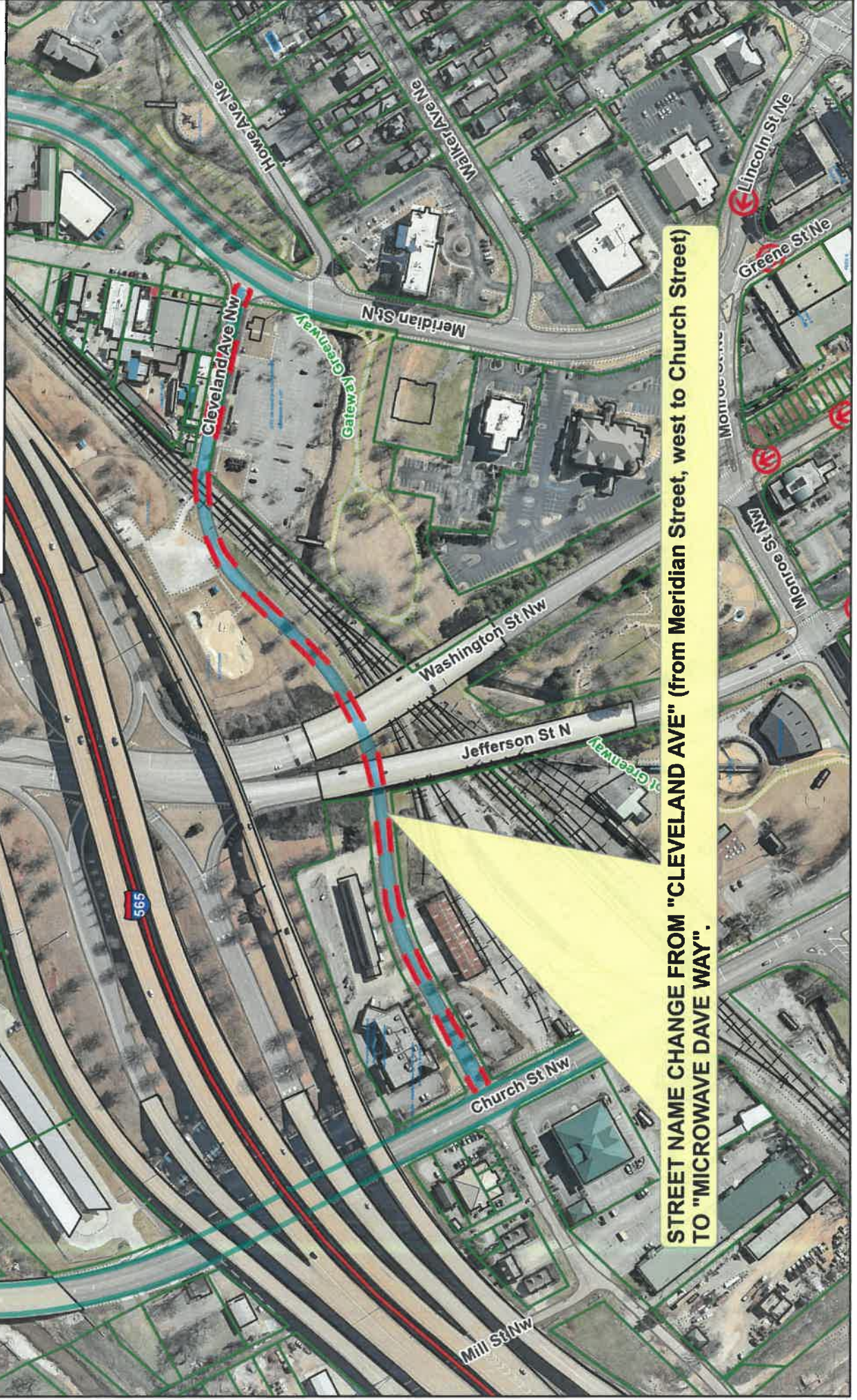
ADOPTED this the 23rd day of April, 2026.

President of the City Council
of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 23rd day of April, 2026.

Mayor of the City of
Huntsville, Alabama

STREET NAME CHANGE



STREET NAME CHANGE FROM "CLEVELAND AVE" (from Meridian Street, west to Church Street) TO "MICROWAVE DAVE WAY".



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