

Date..... October 23, 2006

RESOLUTION SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RENAMING OF MTA LANE TO DART WAY

WHEREAS, the City has received a request from the Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART), formerly known as the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA), to rename MTA Lane to Dart Way within the City of Des Moines.

WHEREAS, the City Plan and Zoning Commission is scheduled to consider the proposed street renaming at its meeting on October 19, 2006, and will forward its recommendation to the City Council prior to the public hearing identified below; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa as follows:

1. That the meeting of the City Council at which the proposed street renaming is to be considered shall be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Des Moines, Iowa at 5:00 p.m. on November 6, 2006, at which time the City Council will hear both those who oppose and those who favor the proposal.
2. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said proposal in the accompanying form to be given by publication once, not less than four (4) days and not more than twenty (20) days before the date of hearing.

MOVED by _____ to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

Roger K. Brown

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Assistant City Attorney

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
HENSLEY				
KIERNAN				
MAHAFFEY				
VLASSIS				
TOTAL				
MOTION CARRIED			APPROVED	

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

_____ Mayor

_____ City Clerk

August 30, 2006

The Honorable Frank Cownie, Mayor
City of Des Moines
400 Robert D. Ray Drive
Des Moines, Iowa 50309-1891



RE: Changing MTA Lane name to "DART Way"

Dear Mayor Cownie:

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART), located at 1100 MTA Lane, is requesting that the City of Des Moines rename "MTA Lane," an existing public street, to "DART Way." The DART Commission, which includes two Des Moines City Council members, Christine Hensley and Bob Mahaffey, voted unanimously in favor of changing the street name to "DART Way" at its meeting last night. DART is making this street renaming request to:

- reflect its new name and regional focus
- eliminate confusion with its previous name
- better identify the location of its administrative offices.

MTA Lane begins at the intersection of SW 9th Street and extends west to a dead-end adjacent to DART's administrative offices. The proposed name change will not affect other property owners or tenants, as the DART offices are the only street address currently on MTA Lane. Hubbell Realty Corporation, owners of the adjacent Riverpoint development, have been notified and do not oppose the name change.

Thank you for considering this change in a timely manner, as we need to reprint and publish a number of administrative and operational materials associated with the changeover to the Regional Transit Authority. Please contact me at (515) 283-8115 if you have any questions or suggestions on how to further this request.

Sincerely,

Bradford J. Miller
General Manager

- cc: Christine Hensley, Des Moines City Council Member & DART Chair
 Bob Mahaffey, Des Moines Council Member & DART Commissioner
 Rick Clark, City Manager & DART Commission Alternate
 Gary Fox, Traffic Engineer
 Larry Hulse, Community Development Director
 Diane Rauh, City Clerk

October 23, 2006

Date _____

Agenda Item 28

Roll Call # _____

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Des Moines, Iowa

Members:

Communication from the City Plan and Zoning Commission advising that at their meeting held October 5, 2006, the following action was taken:

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

After public hearing, the members voted 13-0 as follows:

Commission Action:	Yes	Nays	Pass	Absent
David Cupp	X			
Shirley Daniels	X			
Dann Flaherty	X			
Bruce Heilman				X
Jeffrey Johannsen	X			
Greg Jones	X			
Frances Koontz	X			
Kaye Lozier	X			
Brian Meyer	X			
Brian Millard	X			
Brook Rosenberg	X			
Mike Simonson	X			
Kent Sovern	X			
Tim Urban	X			
Marc Wallace				X

APPROVAL of a request from Des Moines Area Regional Transit (DART), 1100 MTA Lane, represented by Bradford Miller (General Manager) to rename MTA Lane to DART Way, from SW 9th Street west to its terminus. (11-2006-1.35)

Written Responses

1 In Favor
0 In Opposition

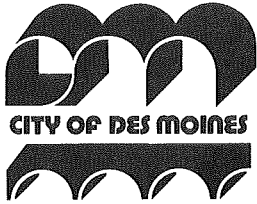
STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND BASIS FOR APPROVAL

Staff recommends approval of the requested name change from MTA Lane to DART Way.

STAFF REPORT

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- Purpose of Request:** The applicant is requesting to rename the street to reflect the current name of their organization, the Des Moines Area Regional Transit (DART), which was formerly Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA).
- Size of Site:** Approximately 860 lineal feet
- Adjacent Land Use and Zoning:**



CITY PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION
ARMORY BUILDING
602 ROBERT D. RAY DRIVE
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1949, 1976, 1981
2003

North – “C-3B”, Uses are warehouse for Stetson Building products and vacant land owned by Hubbell Terminal Company.

South – “C-3B”, Uses are Krueger BP/Amoco gas station with Taco Bell drive-thru restaurant and Des Moines Area Regional Transit facilities.

4. **Applicable Recognized Neighborhood(s):** Downtown Neighborhood Association.
5. **Applicable Regulations:** The Commission reviews proposed street name changes to determine whether they will have any impact on the essential public good. The recommendation of the Commission is forwarded to the City Council.

II. ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE INFORMATION

1. **Traffic/Street System:** The subject segment of street is a cul-de-sac with a hammerhead turnaround. This is the only portion of public street in the City carrying the name MTA Lane. For the present time the street serves primarily as access to the Des Moines Area Regional Transit facilities. The Stetson Building products and Krueger BP/Amoco businesses have secondary access onto MTA Lane with their primary accesses on SW 9th Street. There is a significant amount of undeveloped land on the north side of MTA Lane may need future access.
2. **Additional Comments:** The only property that is currently addressed from MTA Lane is the transit facility. The requested name change should not affect any address changes other than the applicant. The street name MTA Lane is no longer relevant due to the change in the name of the organization.

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

There was no one in the audience to speak on this item and no discussion.

Kent Sovern: Moved approval of the requested name change from MTA Lane to DART Way.

Motion passed 13-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Ludwig, AICP
Planning Administrator

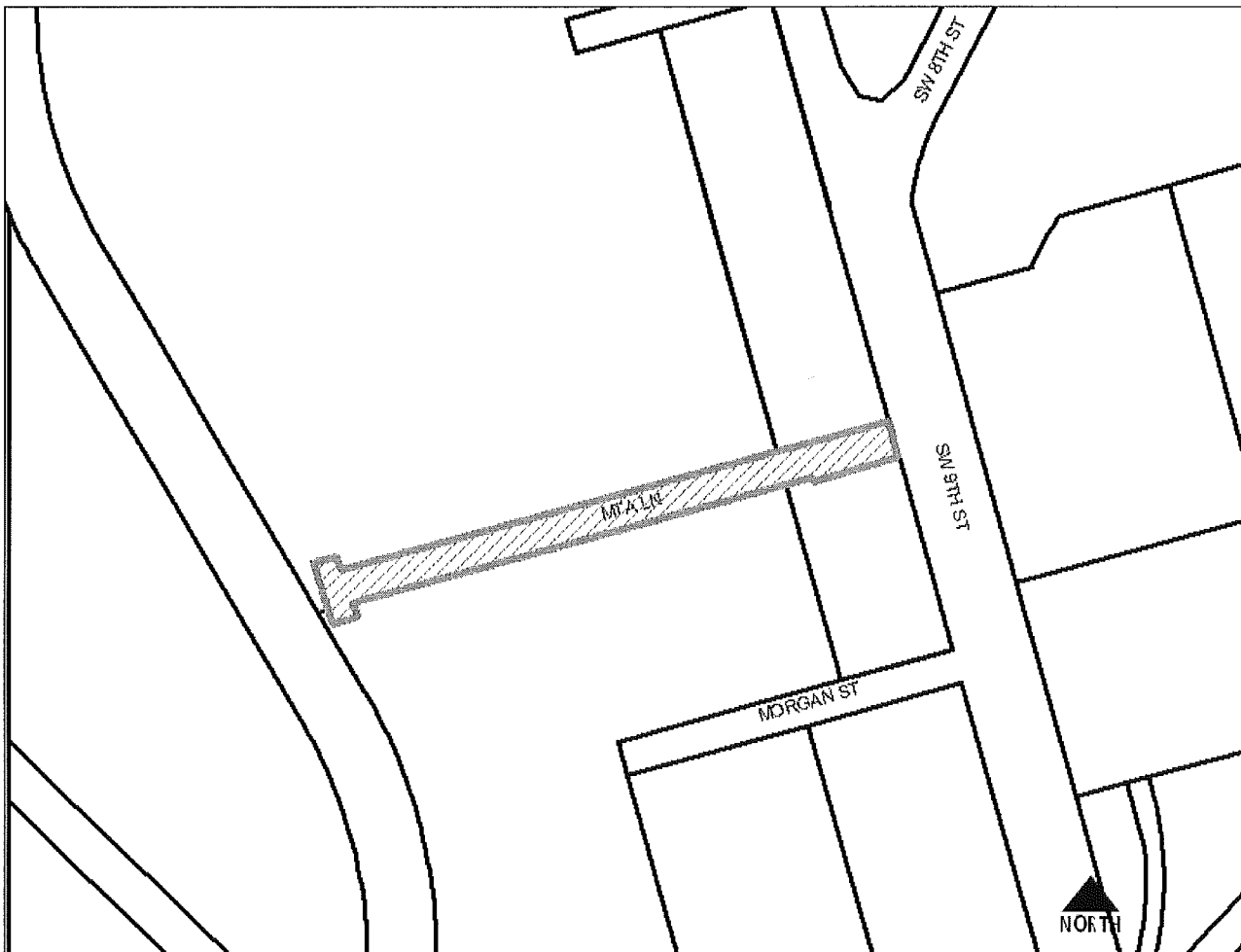
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Attachment

Request from Des Moines Area Regional Transit, (1100 MTA Lane) represented by Bradford Miller (General Manager) for street renaming.				File #	
				11-2006-1.35	
Description of Action	Rename MTA Lane from SW 9 th Street west to its terminus.				
2020 Community Character Plan	Downtown: Support Commercial				
Horizon 2025 Transportation Plan	No Planned Improvements				
Current Zoning District	"C-3B" Central Business Mixed Use District				
Proposed Zoning District	N/A				
Consent Card Responses	In Favor	Not In Favor	Undetermined	% Opposition	
Inside Area					
Outside Area	1	0	0	N/A	
Plan and Zoning Commission Action	Approval	13-0	Required 6/7 Vote of the City Council	Yes	
	Denial			No	N/A

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Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority - Rename MTA Lane to DART Way



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Date 10/12/06

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.
(Circle One) **RECEIVED**

Hubbell Terminal Corporation
and

OCT 17 2006

Print Name Hubbell Realty Company

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT

Signature By R. Thibault Hayes, Secretary
of each

Address _____

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

