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To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Honorary Street Name Request – William R. Stark
West Atkinson Avenue from North 16th Street to North 17th Street

Dear Honorable Members:

This letter is in reply to an application dated January 5th, 2024 regarding a request for an honorary street name of William R. Stark on West Atkinson Avenue from North 16th Street to North 17th Street.

Chapter 113-3 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances provides the guidelines to consider when reviewing honorary street name requests. The guidelines provided in the code have been reviewed and the following comments are offered:

William Stark is a veteran and an alumnus of MATC. He also studied at St. Luke's Hospital and was part of the surgical team that performed the first two open-heart surgeries. Mr. Stark served as Grand Master of the Prince Hall Masons from 1984-88, and was responsible for a significant increase in their educational assistance fund for qualifying local students. As a member of the Board of Stewards for the St. Mark African Methodist Episcopal Church, he was responsible for submitting sites for the new location of St. Mark AME; one of which was 1616 W. Atkinson Ave. After retirement, Mr. Stark also co-founded Paradise Memorial Funeral Home.

The request to honor William Stark with an honorary street name of "William R. Stark" includes 16 letters and spaces. The letter size of the honorary street name will be sized to fit the standard honorary street sign.

Two (2) blue honorary street signs will be needed. Please refer to the attached map showing where the honorary street name signs will be located. The petitioner may choose to furnish the honorary street signs, but they must be fabricated to established City standards. The City can fabricate the signs at \$50 each. In either case, the City will install the honorary street signs at a cost of \$50 per sign. The petitioner is to deposit \$100 to the City if they furnish the signs or \$200 if the City fabricates and installs the signs. If a sign needs to be replaced in the future, the City is to be notified of the missing or damaged sign and the petitioner is to cover the cost to fabricate and mount the sign as described above. The City's cost to fabricate and install future signs is subject to change.

West Atkinson Avenue will remain the official street name so addresses will not change.

Sincerely,

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City Engineer

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Attachment

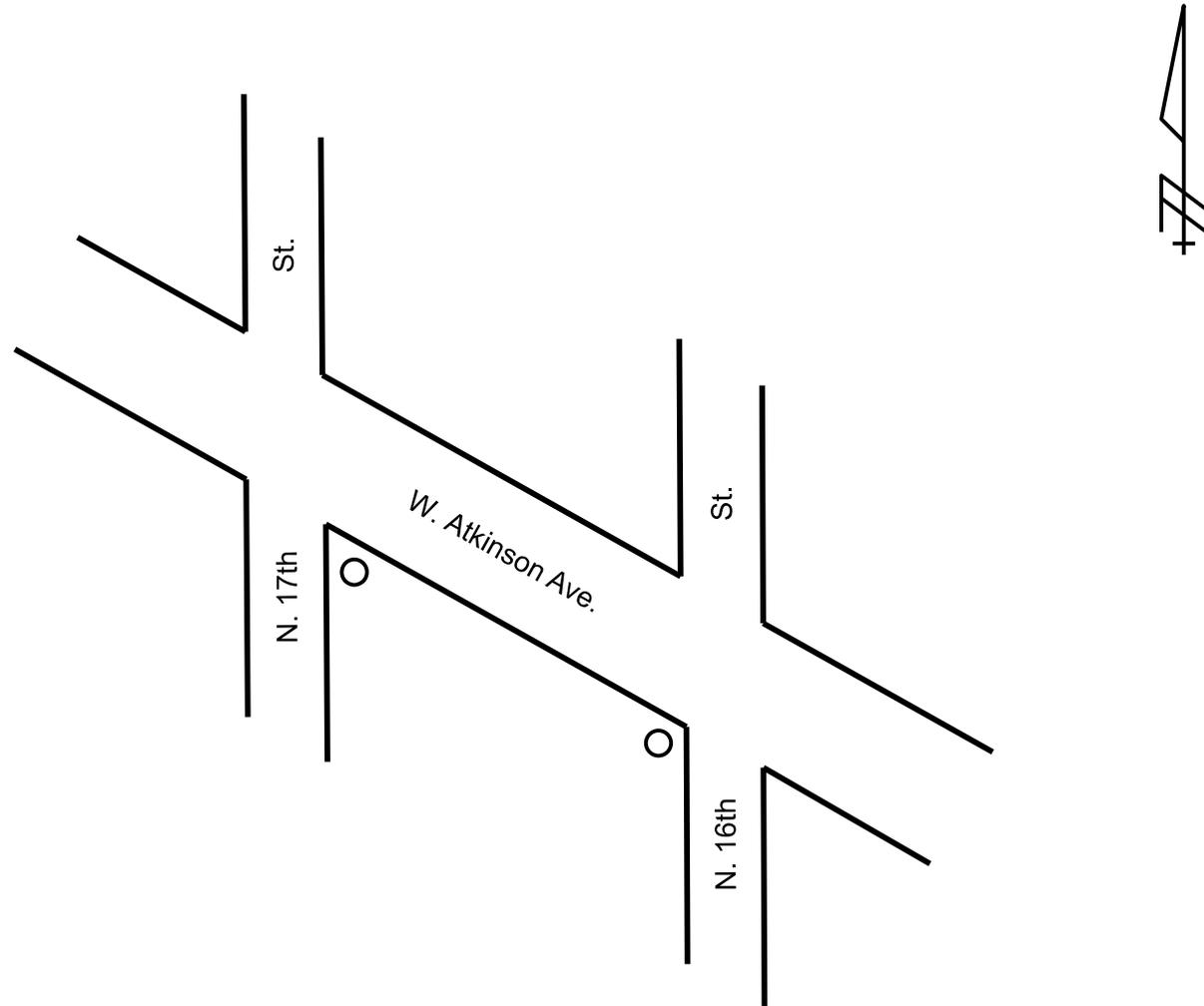


Honorary Street Name Request
W. Atkison Ave. between
N. 16th St. and N. 17th St.
to William R. Stark

HONORARY
William R. Stark

w Atkison Av

West Atkinson Avenue from North 16th Street to North 17th Street



○ - Location of street signs where honorary street name of William R. Stark will be mounted.