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To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Honorary Street Name Request – Mrs. Cherrye J. Trotman
4300 Block of West Roosevelt Drive from North Teutonia Avenue to North 20th Street

Dear Honorable Members:

This letter is in reply to an application dated April 2, 2026 regarding a request for an honorary street name of Mrs. Cherrye J. Trotman on West Roosevelt Drive from North Teutonia Ave to North 20th 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.

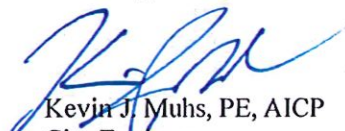
Mrs. Cherrye J. Trotman moved to Milwaukee from Montgomery, Alabama and was an educator at Milwaukee Public Schools. Mrs. Trotman was the second African American family to buy her homestead at 2233 West Roosevelt Drive in 1964. Mrs. Trotman founded the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Club as an organization to mentor Milwaukee's children and youth. With her 35 years of MPS teaching, she mentored many renowned members of the community that picked up her mantle. While teaching at Henry L. Palmer elementary school, she created the first Girl Scouts Troop and designed the first MPS Scout-A-Rama that continues today.

The request to honor Mrs. Cherrye J. Trotman with an honorary street name of "Mrs. Cherrye J. Trotman" includes 23 letters and spaces. The letter size of the honorary street name will be sized to fit the standard honorary street sign.

Six (6) blue honorary street signs are required and will be mounted at North Teutonia Avenue, West Olive Street, North 22nd Street, North 21st Street, and North 20th Street along West Roosevelt Drive. Please refer to the attached map showing where the honorary street name signs will be located. The existing official street signs at each location will remain. 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 \$100 each. In either case, the City will install the honorary street signs at a cost of \$100 per sign. The petitioner is to deposit \$600 to the City if they furnish the signs or \$1200 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.

Provided that the honorary street name request meets the established design criteria and that the Department of Public Works does not incur any costs as a result of this action, we can support this resolution.

Sincerely,



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City Engineer

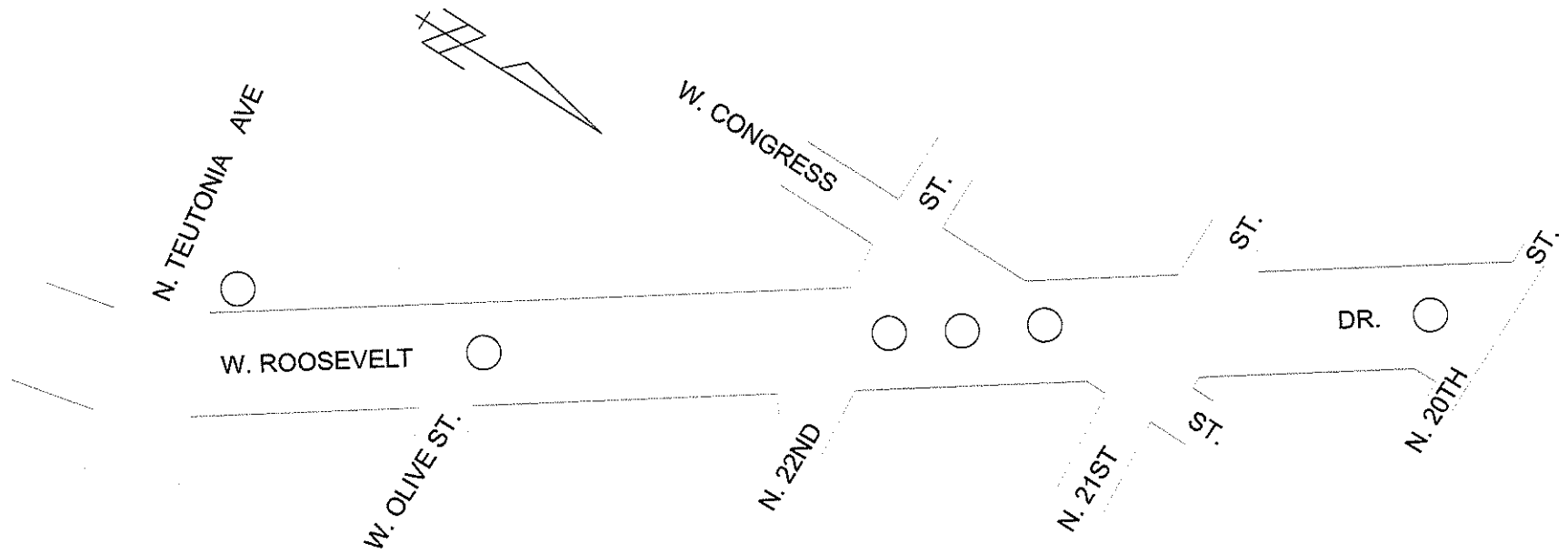
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Attachments



W. Roosevelt Dr. from N. Teutonia Ave to N. 20Th St.



○ - Location of street signs where honorary street name of MRS. CHERRY J. TROTMAN will be mounted.

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MRS. CHERRY J. TROTMAN
W. Roosevelt Dr. from
N. Teutonia Ave to N. 20Th St.

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HONORARY
MRS. CHERRY J. TROTMAN

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