

Effective Date:

CITY OF APPLETON Temporary Honorary Street Name Policy

The objective of this policy is to establish the guidelines in which temporary honorary street names may be used in the City of Appleton.

GUIDELINES

- 1. Requests must be submitted to the Department of Public Works for consideration at least 45 days prior to the date such signage is desired to be installed.
- 2. Requests must be tied to an event or date of a historically significant community event.
- 3. Costs of all signage and associated installation shall be at the sole expense of the requesting party.
- 4. Approved Temporary Honorary Signs shall be brown with white lettering.
- 5. Approved Temporary Honorary Signs shall be designed and installed by the Department of Public Works directly below the official street name sign.
- 6. Approved Temporary Honorary Signs shall be installed for not longer than 30 days.
- 7. Does not impact official emergency response records in any manner.
- 8. Address numbering will not be permitted as part of the Temporary Honorary Signs.

APPEAL PROCESS

Anyone denied a Temporary Honorary Street Name may appeal the decision to the Common Council through the Municipal Services Committee.

To: Ms. Paula Van de Hey, Department of Public Works

From: Elder M. Williams, Executive Director

Monday, June 12, 2017

REQUEST: Temporary Honorary Street Name

B.A.B.E.S., Inc. Child Abuse Prevention Program has served the Fox Valley since 1997. Our founder, Dr. G. Manns, put her heart and soul into establishing and developing this non-profit agency. She spent many days and nights working on grants, conducting meetings, planning events and hosting dignitaries at the facility located at 1331 East Wisconsin Avenue.

As a member of her team, I was able to watch the process, as well as contribute to the cause with my time, talents and treasures. I now find myself working in the role that was left vacant by her untimely passing in January of 2013.

For many years, I thought we should find a way to honor this visionary. I pondered seeking a street name change some years ago (while she was still alive), but never moved forward with the idea. Now that the honorary street name policy is in effect, this would be a great alternative to changing the name of the street.

To that end, please accept this brief correspondence as my request (on the behalf of B.A.B.E.S., Inc.) to post a honorary street name sign at the corner of Wisconsin and Owaissa (southeast corner) to honor our founder.

In celebration of 20 years of service to our community and to celebrate Dr. Manns' legacy, we are planning a FOUNDER'S DAY Celebration for Friday, July 14, 2017, and would love to be able to unveil the new street sign during the event.

If approved, we'd like to have the sign read DR. G. MANNS WAY.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our request.

You may reach me at B.A.B.E.S., Inc. Monday – Thursday from 11:30 A.M. – 9:00 P.M. The number is 920.733.6886. My e-mail address is <u>execdir@babeshelp.org</u>.

Paula Vandehey

From:

Elder M. Williams <execdir@babeshelp.org>

Sent:

Monday, June 12, 2017 9:48 PM

To: Cc: Paula Vandehey Chad M. Doran

Subject:

RE: Honorary Street Name Request

Hi Paula,

Thank you for getting back to me today. Yes, I'd like to appeal your decision.

I apologize that my request did not include enough historical significance. Here are a few additional points to consider:

- Dr. Manns founded both Appleton Sanctuary Outreach Ministries Church and B.A.B.E.S., Inc. Child Abuse Prevention Program in the Fox Valley; 1992 and 1997 respectively.
- B.A.B.E.S., Inc. is celebrating 20 years of service to the community this year. All of our services
 and programs are provided FREE to the community. For 20 years, we've been able to continue
 this service and not charge the parents.
- Dr. Manns' birthday is July 16th. This "FOUNDER'S DAY" celebration would be an opportunity for
 us to highlight our services, the legacy of Dr. Manns (her vision, compassion, creativity, and ability
 to establish meaningful programming in our city), and bring awareness to the B.A.B.E.S. program.
- The mission and vision of child abuse prevention continues despite her untimely death.
- There is **NO OTHER PROGRAM OR SERVICE LIKE BA.B.E.S., INC.** in the state of Wisconsin, with the exception of B.A.B.E.S. New London.
- Dr. Manns lead the effort to establish B.A.B.E.S. in New London.
- Dr. Manns was a member of Toward Community Unity in Diversity
- Dr. Manns hosted the first African Community conversation with local law enforcement (back with Rick Meyers was APD Chief)
- Dr. Manns hosted Judge Butler at B.A.B.E.S. when he ran for office (I think it was for the senate)
- Dr. Manns wrote a book entitled, "Once I was a Smiling Child" and Congresswoman Gwendolyn Moore wrote the foreword for that book
- Dr. Manns was a board member of Harbor House Domestic Abuse Shelter
- Dr. Manns sat on the East Central Wisconsin Planning Commission
- Dr. Manns was a member of the Concerned Black Citizens committee, which worked with law enforcement in the area.
- Dr. Manns conducted training sessions and held discussions for/with law enforcement concerning diversity issues

Thank you for taking time to review the application again. I submit to you the historical significance of the founding of both B.A.B.E.S., Inc. and Appleton Sanctuary, coupled with all the community advocacy work that Dr. Manns engaged in supports our request to recognize this servant who sacrificed so much for our community. She cared for people, cared about people, and made it her life's work to SERVE people.

I respectfully request that you consider this request in light of the life that we lost on January 08, 2013. If she had not moved forward with the vision of B.A.B.E.S., Inc. so many children and their parents would not have the help that we provide.

When you have some time, please advise as to the next steps for our project. Our Founder's Day celebration is scheduled for July 14th. At that time, we will have a proclamation from the Mayor's office, and hopefully unveil a temporary honorary street sign named in honor of Dr. G. Manns.

Sincerely,

Elder M. Williams
Executive Director
B.A.B.E.S., Inc.
Child Abuse Prevention Program

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