

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: September 10, 2018

To: The City Manager

From: Damon C. Dequenne, Assistant City Manager

Council Action Requested:

Consideration of a Resolution Naming the Lowery Street Municipal Services Center in Honor of former Council Member of the East Ward, Joycelyn V. Johnson

Strategic Focus Area: Service Excellence

Strategic Objective: No

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

City Council has sole authority for naming City-owned facilities in whole or in part. All requests for naming City-owned facilities or a portion of a facility must be submitted to the City Council by the Mayor or a member of the City Council. The placement of displays commemorating or honoring public officials, past or present, is also determined solely by City Council. The Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee is responsible for commemorating or honoring public officials, past or present. In the past, the City has named facilities such as Alexander R. Beaty Public Safety Training and Support Center, Merschel Plaza, Nelson L. Malloy Jr. Park, and most recently the Vivian H. Burke Public Safety Center.

Joycelyn V. Johnson served 4 terms as a member of the Winston-Salem City Council starting in 1993. Ms. Johnson served admirably in her service to the East Ward and focused on community, long range planning, sustainability and economic development. During her tenure, Council Member Johnson helped to rejuvenate several blighted areas within the East Ward along Patterson Avenue, Old Greensboro Road, New Walkertown Road, Dreamland Park and the Fourteenth Street Community, and initiated business analysis for New Walkertown Road, Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Liberty Street and Lowery Street. She was also instrumental in the Downtown Economic Development, Evergreen Cemetery Expansion, Historical Marker Program and the BB&T Ballpark Project.

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>CDHGG 9/11/18</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
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For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>
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Remarks:

Council Member Montgomery has proposed, in recognition of her dedication and many years of service that the City Council name the Lowery Street Municipal Services Center as the Joycelyn V. Johnson Municipal Services Center.

If approved, the attached resolution will authorize the naming of the Lowery Street Municipal Services Center after Joycelyn V. Johnson. Staff will coordinate placement of the name on the building in an appropriate manner and incorporate the name of the facility on the dedicatory plaque for placement on the building during a recognition ceremony.