

# CASE SUMMARY

APPLICATION TYPE: STREET NAME CHANGE



**File Number:** 7-A-24-SNC                      **Related File Number:**  
**Application Filed:** 5/30/2024                      **Date of Revision:**  
**Applicant:** BRAD ANDERS KNOX COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT

## PROPERTY INFORMATION

**General Location:**  
**Other Parcel Info.:**  
**Tax ID Number:** 131 000                      **Jurisdiction:** County  
**Size of Tract:**  
**Accessibility:**

## GENERAL LAND USE INFORMATION

**Existing Land Use:**  
**Surrounding Land Use:**  
**Proposed Use:**    **Density:**  
**Planning Sector:** Southwest County                      **Plan Designation:**  
**Growth Policy Plan:** Urban Growth Area (Outside City Limits)  
**Neighborhood Context:**

## ADDRESS/RIGHT-OF-WAY INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Street:** Debusk Lane  
**Location:** Between Kingston Pike and the north terminus of Debusk Lane  
**Proposed Street Name:** Frontier House Lane  
**Department-Utility Report:**  
**Reason:** The road name "Debusk Lane" is currently used at two different locations within Knox County, which is a significant concern for the Knox County Emergency Communications District (911) due to the potential for delayed emergency services. The location of "Debusk Lane" in Powell will remain as the official street name, consequently the location of "Debusk Lane" in west Knoxville requires a different street name. At 911's request, Planning contacted the owners of the 11 properties abutting Debusk Lane for their opinion on the new street name and responses were received from seven properties. "Frontier House Lane" received six votes and was the preferred name following three rounds of voting.

## ZONING INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Current Zoning:**  
**Former Zoning:**  
**Requested Zoning:**  
**Previous Requests:**  
**Extension of Zone:**  
**History of Zoning:**

**PLAN INFORMATION (where applicable)**

Current Plan Category:

Requested Plan Category:

**SUBDIVISION INFORMATION (where applicable)**

Subdivision Name:

No. of Lots Proposed:

No. of Lots Approved: 0

Variances Requested:

S/D Name Change:

**OTHER INFORMATION (where applicable)**

**Other Bus./Ord. Amend.:** The road name "Debusk Lane" is currently used at two different locations within Knox County, which is a significant concern for the Knox County Emergency Communications District (911) due to the potential for delayed emergency services. The location of "Debusk Lane" in Powell will remain as the official street name, consequently the location of "Debusk Lane" in west Knoxville requires a different street name. At 911's request, Planning contacted the owners of the 11 properties abutting Debusk Lane for their opinion on the new street name and responses were received from seven properties. "Frontier House Lane" received six votes and was the preferred name following three rounds of voting.

**PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION AND DISPOSITION**

**Planner In Charge:** Samiul Haque

**Staff Recomm. (Abbr.):** Approve the name change of Debusk Lane to Frontier House Lane as requested by the Knox County Emergency Communications District.

**Staff Recomm. (Full):**

**Comments:**

1. The Knox County Emergency Communications District (Knox 911) has proposed the name change for this street to avoid potential delayed emergency services.
2. The name 'Debusk Lane' is currently used in two different locations - the subject street segment within the Debusk Park subdivision (zip code 37922) and a right-of-way in Powell serving several businesses between W Beaver Creek Drive and Powell Drive (zip code 37849). This creates a safety concern for emergency services.
3. The Planning Commission has recently approved the name 'Debusk Lane' for the right-of-way in Powell, which has been used informally since the 1980s (5-A-24-SNC). The subject segment now needs a new name.
4. Approval of this request will cause seven parcels and one business address to be reassigned (Exhibit B). On behalf of Knox 911, Planning coordinated with the eleven property owners adjacent to the subject street for their opinion on the proposed street name change. 'Frontier House Lane' received six votes and was the preferred name following three rounds of voting.
5. Planning has received no objections to the renaming of this right-of-way.
6. The name change meets all requirements of the County's Code of Ordinances (Chapter 54, Article II).

**Action:** Approved **Meeting Date:** 7/11/2024

**Details of Action:**

**Summary of Action:** Approve the name change of Debusk Lane to Frontier House Lane as requested by the Knox County Emergency Communications District.

**Date of Approval:** 7/11/2024 **Date of Denial:** **Postponements:**

**Date of Withdrawal:** **Withdrawn prior to publication?:**  **Action Appealed?:**

**LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND DISPOSITION**

**Legislative Body:** Knox County Commission

**Date of Legislative Action:** 8/19/2024 **Date of Legislative Action, Second Reading:**

**Ordinance Number:** **Other Ordinance Number References:**

**Disposition of Case:** Approved **Disposition of Case, Second Reading:**

**If "Other":**

**Amendments:**

**Date of Legislative Appeal:**

**If "Other":**

**Amendments:**

**Effective Date of Ordinance:**