



HISTORIC SITE AND MONUMENT COMMISSION

Board Review Checklist

Naming and Renaming of Public Property, Facilities, and Streets

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NAMING AND RENAMING OR PUBLIC PROPERTIES, FACILITIES, AND STREETS

☒ **REQUIRED** Pre-Application Conference:

Date attended and with which staff member: July 20th, 2026 - Jodie Brown

☒ Provide one (1) electronic copy of the entire submittal packet. (Email to historic@thempc.org – max PDF file size 10 MB)

☒ Page No. 5: Provide detailed explanation/history of chosen name. (select from following criteria):

☒ To strengthen neighborhood identity or cultural resources

☐ To recognize native wildlife or natural features

☒ Page No. 7 + 8: Ensure the following considerations have been made; provide documentation:

☒ The number of residents and businesses directly affected.

☒ Community diversity.

☒ The historical significance or pre-existing name or location.

☒ The appropriateness and compatibility of the request in relation to the existing area.

☒ The impact on emergency service delivery.

☒ Continuity and stability.

☒ Page No. 2 + 6: Provide a statement/official request for Naming or Renaming.

☒ Page No. 7 + 8: Provide documented support from neighborhood/community members.

☒ Page No. 15: Provide Alderman Endorsement. (must be of the District in which the naming/renaming request is located).

☒ Page No. 10-12: Provide a map of the location.

☒ Page No. 13: Provide commentary from City of Savannah Staff (City Managers Office).

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR SIGNATURE



HISTORIC SITE AND MONUMENT COMMISSION (HSMC)

Application for Historical Markers, Monuments, and Public Art

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Applicant Contact Information:

Name: Eunorous T Dixon
Address: 116 Ramsey Way
City: Rincon State GA Zip 31326
Phone: 912-604-8859 E-Mail Address eunome2@gmail.com

Property Owner Contact Information and Consent (Complete only for private property):

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____ E-Mail Address _____

Official Correspondence: ☐ Applicant ☐ Owner ☒ Other Alderwoman Carol Bell (Check all that apply)

Property Information: (PIN information can be found at www.sagis.org.)

☐ Public Property ☐ Private Property PIN (Property Identification Number): 2011113001
Address: 5201 Montgomery Street Savannah GA 31405

Scope of Work: (Check all that apply.)

HISTORICAL MARKER:	MONUMENT:
☐ Freestanding	☐ Person
☐ Wall-Mounted	☐ Place
☐ Ground-Embedded	☐ Event
☐ Other:	☐ Other:
PUBLIC ART / MURAL (Commissioned or Existing Work):	NAMING AND RENAMING:
☐ Mural	☐ Public Property
☐ Sculpture	☐ Public Facilities
☐ Other:	☒ Public Streets

Project Description: Describe the proposed project and scope of work in detail. Additional pages may be attached. Submit all supplemental documentation as required in the separate "Instructions: Submittal Criteria Checklist."

Honorary Street Naming on Montgomery Street in front of the Jonesville Baptist Church.

The proposed name is "Bishop James G Rodges Interchange"

South on Montgomery St from Staley Ave to Berkeley Place

Contact staff to schedule a pre-meeting: preservationquestions@thempc.org or call 912-651-1440.

Pre-meetings must be held a minimum of ONE WEEK before a deadline.

2026 Savannah-Chatham County Historic Site and Monument Commission Meeting Schedule:

Application Deadline, by 3:00 P.M.	Meeting Date	4:00 P.M.
☐ Thursday, December 4, 2025	Thursday, January 8, 2026	** rescheduled due to holiday
☐ January 8	February 5	
☐ February 5	March 5	
☐ March 5	April 2	
☐ April 2	May 7	
☐ May 7	June 4	
☐ June 4	July 9	**rescheduled due to holiday
☒ July 2	**rescheduled due to holiday	August 6
☐ August 6	September 3	
☐ September 3	October 1	
☐ October 1	November 5	
☐ November 5	(December 3)	December 3
		(January 7, 2027)

Estimated Cost of the Proposed Work: \$ \$150 application fee

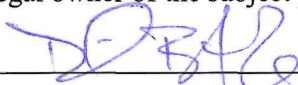
Filing Fee Schedule: No filing fee is required for HSMC review.

Public Notice for Historic Site and Monument Commission Meetings:

The applicant is responsible for posting the Board Meeting signs provided by the MPC fifteen (15) days prior to the HSMC Meeting. Refer to *Chapter 9 of the Markers, Monuments, and Public Art Master Plan and Guidelines for the City of Savannah* for additional posting requirements.

Signature of Legal Owner or Authorized Agent:

I have read and understand all the information enclosed in this application form. I understand that an Escrow Payment is required for any historical marker erected on public property. I hereby certify that I am the legal owner or authorized agent for the legal owner of the subject property.

Signature:  **Date:** 6/18/2026

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A complete application submission consists of:

1. Complete, signed application
2. Complete, signed checklist(s) for each request
3. Checklist documentation

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Affidavit Certifying Completeness of Application:

I hereby acknowledge that I understand the requirements listed above for what constitutes a complete application. I have checked off each box and included a page number where the item is located. I confirm that the requirements for a complete application have been met.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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JONESVILLE

BAPTIST CHURCH

5201 Montgomery Street, Savannah, Georgia 31405

Phone: (912) 351-0423 ✉ Fax: (912) 351-9858 ✉ www.jbc-paw.org

Bishop James Gregory Rodges

Bishop Rodges is a vibrant, bold, energetic and captivating minister of the 21st century. He is the Pastor of Jonesville Baptist Church of the PAW. His ministry has blessed others as he travels nationally and internationally. His broadcast ministry, Jonesville-Rhema ministries, is aired weekly in Savannah, Georgia.

A kind soul, driven by a genuine love for people, Pastor Rodges has blended Jonesville into a multicultural worship experience. Since becoming pastor of Jonesville in 1988, the membership has grown at such a rapid rate that a new building had to be erected in 2000. Also, an expansion project called Phase 2 was completed in 2004. Through faithful devotion and God's grace, a Mortgage Burning Ceremony was held in December 2019 for the properties on Montgomery Street. Through prayerful consideration, Bishop Rodges used his Leadership to sanction a yearly Christmas Toy Drive, A Scholarship Program, an Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for a local children's shelter, a monthly grocery giveaway for senior citizens, remaining a long-standing polling location for the Tatumville Community, and many other programs and outreach services.

Along with pastoring Jonesville Baptist Church in Savannah, Bishop Rodges serves as Senior Leader of Full Gospel Apostolic Church (Indianola, Mississippi), and The Diocesan Bishop of the Mountain States District Council since February 2023. Pastor Rodges has obtained a bachelor's degree in Industrial Technology from Mississippi Valley State University and most recently a Master of Arts degree in Biblical Studies from Trinity College of the Bible and Theological Seminary.

Bishop Rodges and his wife, Phyllis Frazier Rodges, have been married for 38 years. They have four children: Jordan Megan, James Gregory, Joshua Peterson, Johanna Caitlyn, and one grandson Adonis James.

Applicant Information

Name: Eunorous T. Dixon Phone Number: (912) 604 8859

Address: 116 RAMSEY WAY RINCON, GA 31324

Email: eunomed@gmail.com

Request Type

- ☒ Honorary street designation
- ☐ Newly acquired or created public property or previously unnamed
- ☐ Public property renaming request

Property Type

- ☐ Park, playground, trail or recreation space
- ☐ Building or facility
- ☒ Street or roadway
- ☐ Other public property

Property Location

Property address and/ or location description:

Jonesville Baptist Church (P.A.W.)
5201 MONTGOMERY STREET
SAVANNAH, GA 31405
LOCATED ON THE CORNER OF: MONTGOMERY STREET & STALEY AVENUE

Aldermanic District:

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☒ 5 ☐ 6

Present property name:

MONTGOMERY STREET

Proposed Name:

BISHOP JAMES G. RODGES INTERCHANGE

City of Savannah
Name Change Petition Form

Page 1 of 2

I (We) plan to request a name change with Savannah's City Council through the City Manager's Office.

I (We) understand that our address will change if a permanent street name request is approved by City Council.

Present Name: MONTGOMERY STREET

Proposed Name: BISHOP James G. Rodges Interchange

This is your opportunity to express your opinion about the proposed name change.

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City of Savannah Name Change Petition Form

Page 2 of 2.

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Present Name: Montgomery Street

Proposed Name: Bishop James G Rodges Interchange

This is your opportunity to express your opinion about the proposed name change.	Owner	Tenant
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This is your opportunity to express your opinion about the proposed name change.	Owner	Tenant
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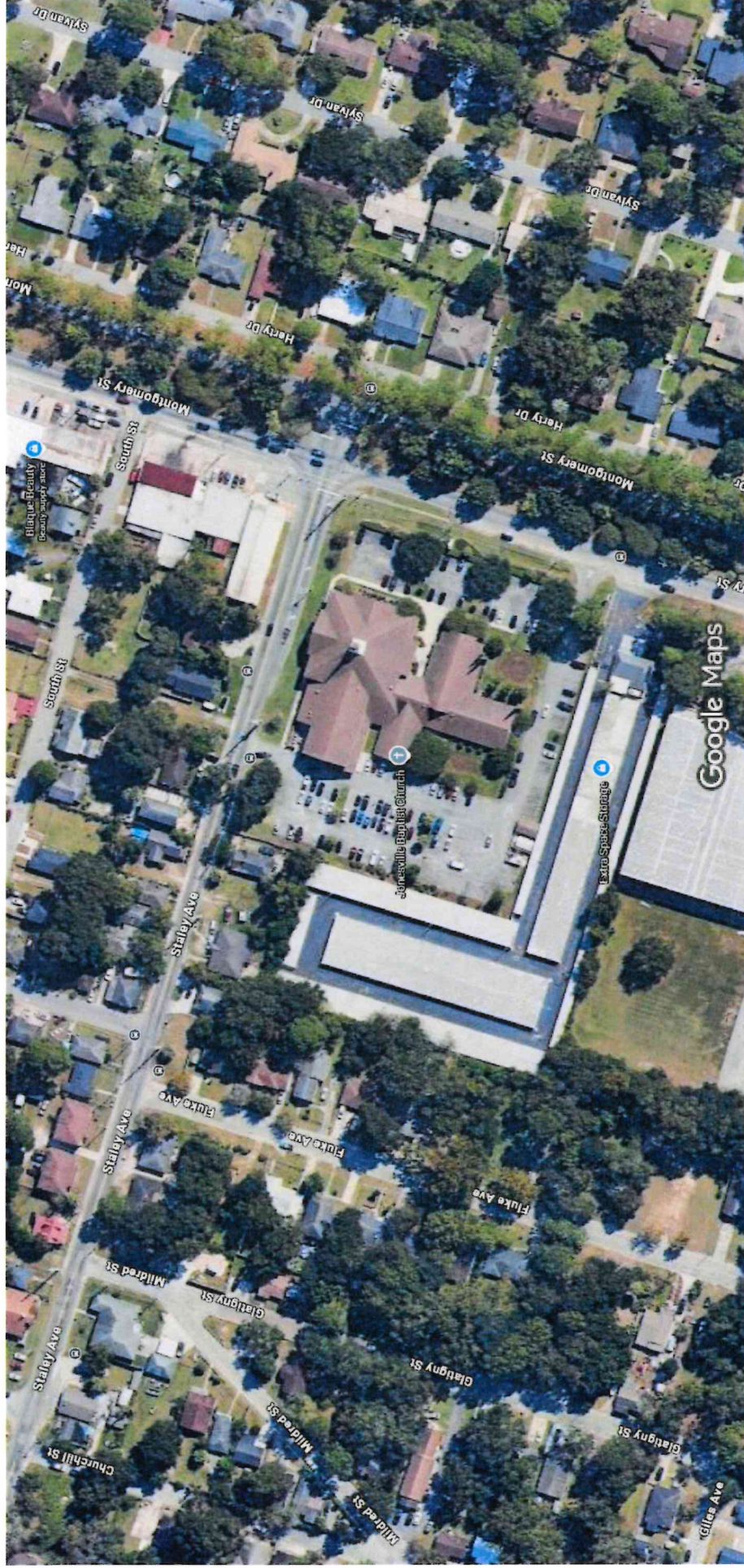
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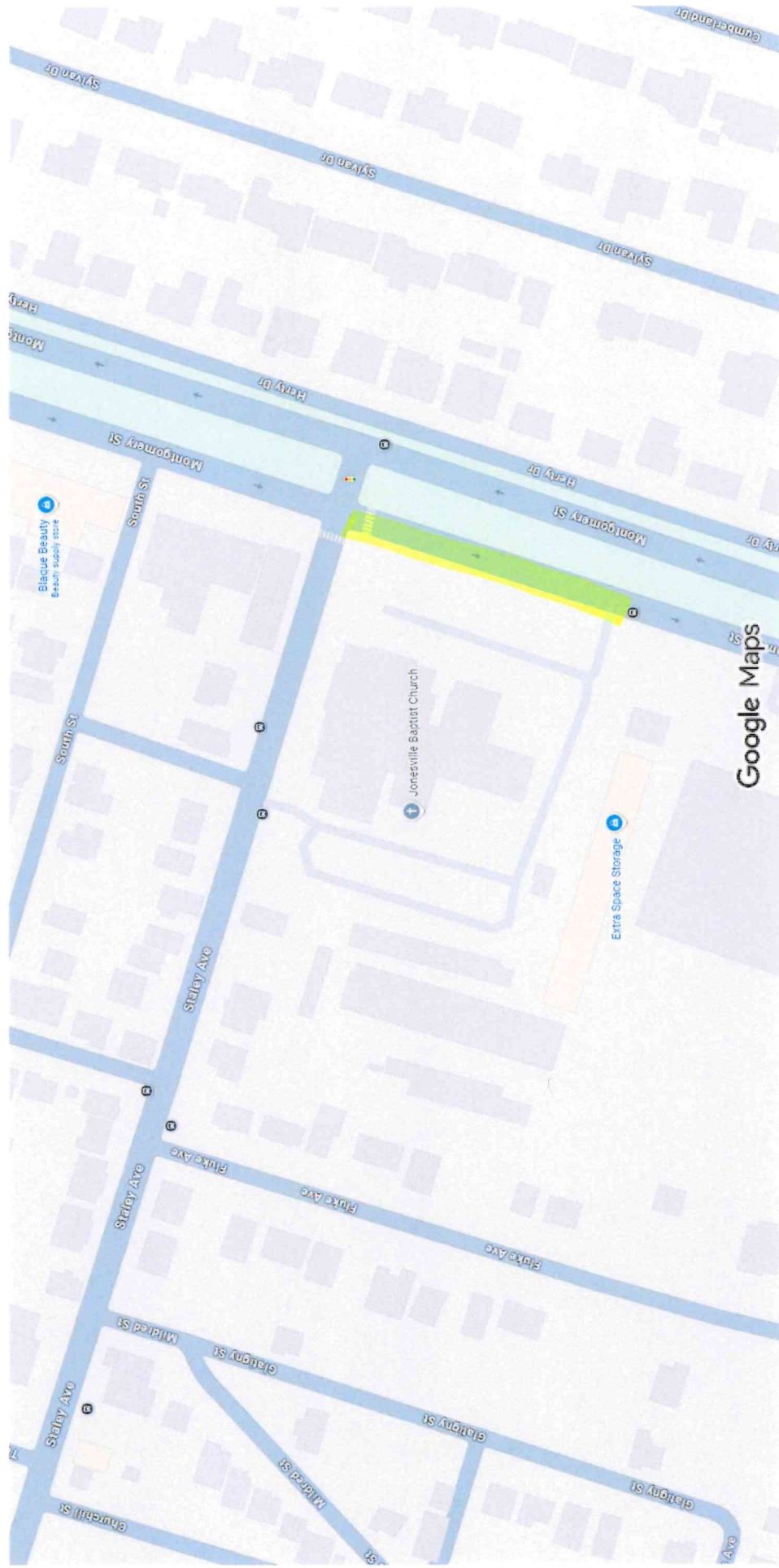
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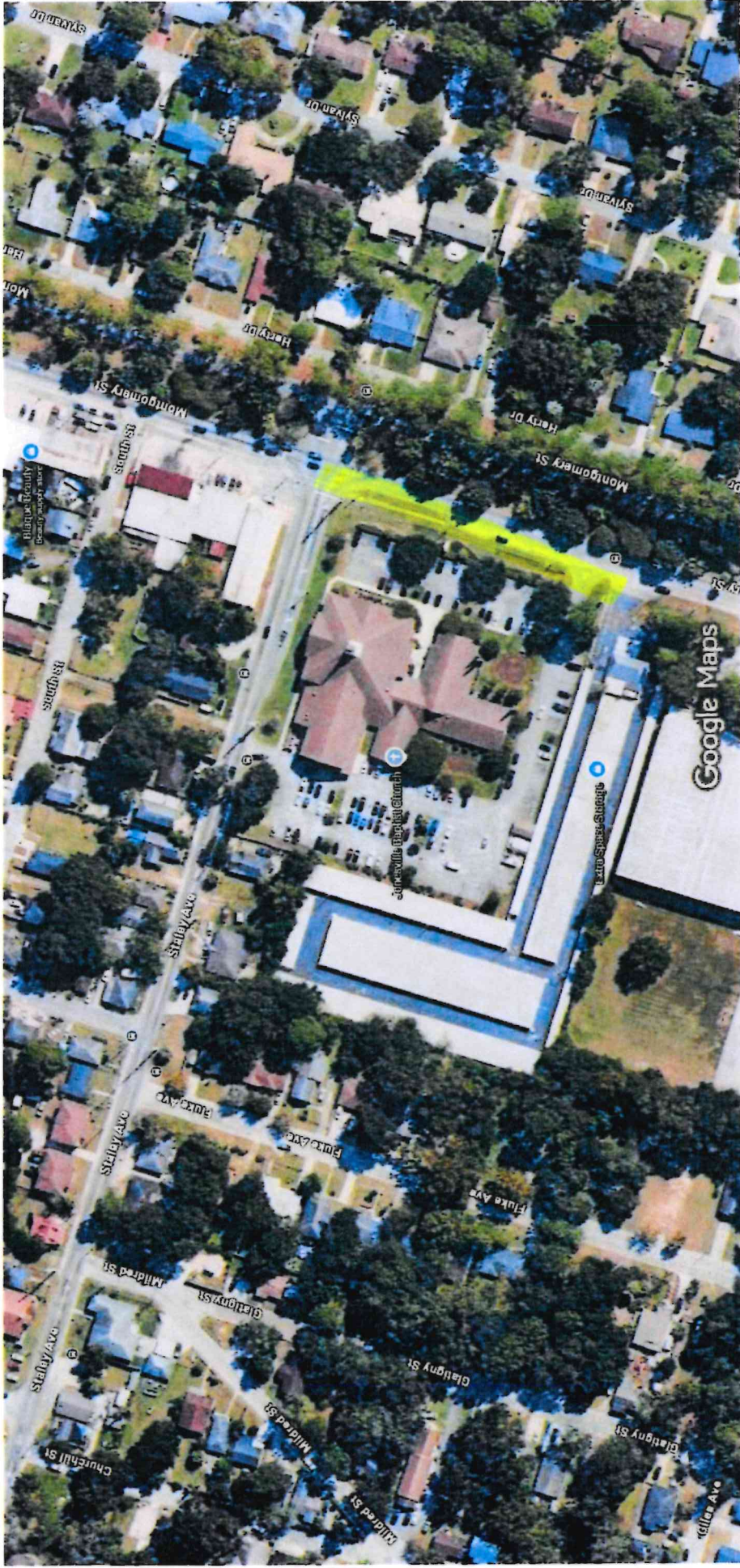


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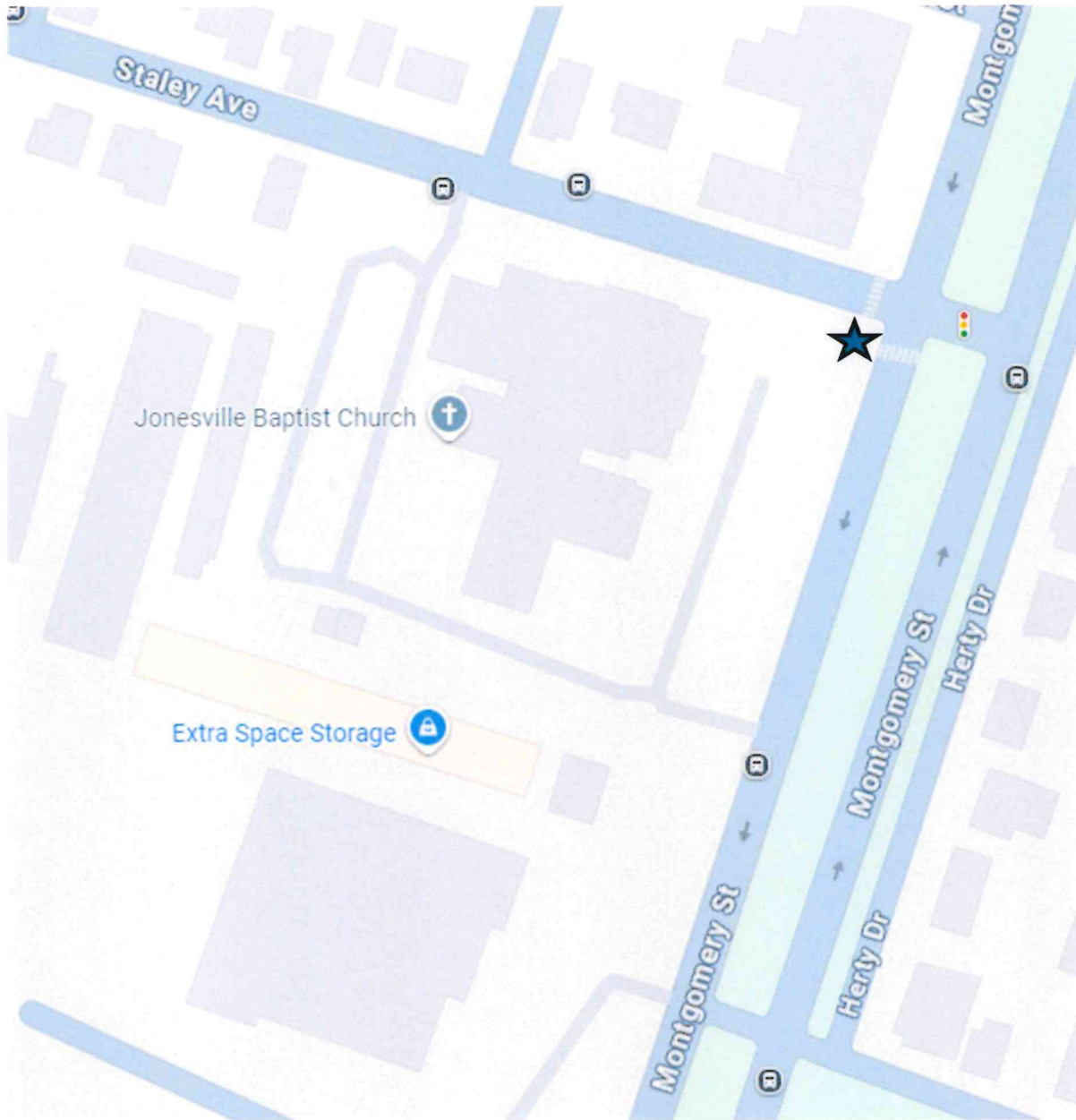


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Honorary Street Designation Request – “Bishop James G Rodges Interchange”

Purpose

Honorary street name designations are intended to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the community. The designation is temporary assignment of the honorarium and shall not interfere with the official name of the street. Honorary Street Designations DO NOT change the official name of the street; they are only symbolic.

Proposal

Current Name: Montgomery Street

Proposed Honorary Name: Bishop James G Rodges Interchange

Location: Montgomery Street (South) from Staley Ave to 5207 Montgomery Street (Extra Space Storage)

Street Sign Location: Honorary Street Sign will be attached below the actual street sign (Staley Ave & Montgomery Street) and Honorary Sign will be brown in color

Petitioner: Eunorous Dixon, 912-604-8859



July 9th, 2026

Savannah City Hall
2 East Bay Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

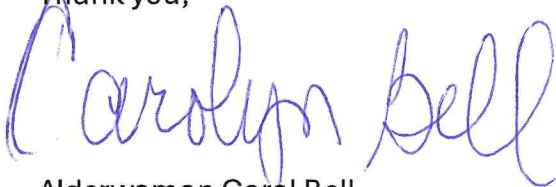
Re: Naming Request Endorsement for Consideration – Bishop James G Rodges Interchange

To Whom It May Concern,

I, Alderwoman at Large Carol Bell, officially endorse the honorary street naming request for consideration to name Montgomery Street from Staley Ave to 5207 Montgomery Street (Extra Space Storage), “Bishop James G Rodges Interchange” in accordance with City Ordinance and the process outlined within “Article E. Naming of Public Property, Facilities, and Streets.”

I look forward to this application advancing within the process as required by City Code.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carolyn Bell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Carolyn" and the last name "Bell" clearly distinguishable.

Alderwoman Carol Bell
City of Savannah, Georgia
Post 1 At Large