



Street Name Change Application

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1. Describe the purpose or reason for the proposed street name change. In what way will the public's interest or public safety be served by the name change?

Spokane Public Schools requests to rename Dean Street, located between Washington and Howard, "Joe Albi Way." This street sits adjacent to the new downtown stadium the School District is currently constructing. The new downtown stadium replaces the former Joe Albi Stadium, which was demolished in 2022. The former stadium was originally named Memorial Stadium until its renaming in 1962 for local civic leader Joe Albi, who spearheaded efforts to build more sporting facilities in Spokane. Albi was a founder of the Athletic Round Table (ART), which led the effort to expand the presence of sports in the Spokane area. The ART, under Albi's leadership, funded the construction of the former stadium built in 1950. It was renamed Joe Albi Stadium by the city council in the spring of 1962, just before Albi's death as a result of Lou Gehrig's disease. Given Albi's civic work in the Spokane community and the significance of Joe Albi Stadium in the lives of many community members, the School District requests to rename the street to continue Albi's legacy.

2. What uses are located on the adjacent property and in the vicinity? Describe the character of the street proposed for the name change.

This approximate two-block length street is located between the new Podium Powered by STCU to the south and the new downtown stadium, yet to be named, to the north. The west end of the street is bound by Howard Street where the Spokane Veterans Memorial Arena is located.

3. Is the proposed change consistent with the policy for naming streets found in Chapter 17.D.050 of the Spokane Municipal Code? If so, how is it consistent?

The proposed change is consistent with the policy for naming streets as the proposed name, "Joe Albi Way" is easy to read and pronounce, does not contain vulgarity, does not sound like other roadway names within the city, and is not a duplicate roadway name. The other tenant on the street, the Spokane Public Facilities District, which owns and operates The

Podium, is also supportive of the proposed street name change.

4. Does the proposed new street name duplicate a street name already in use within the Spokane Metropolitan Area?

No

5. Is the proposed new street name consistent with the name of adjacent streets and streets with a common alignment?

Yes, the proposed name is after an individual of significance. This section of street is not a continuous street as it is bound by Howard and Washington.

6. If the proposed name change is within a Planned Unit Development, will the proposed name of the private street be consistent with the names of surrounding public streets?

Does not apply.

7. Will the proposed street name result in an intersection with the same name (e.g. First Avenue and 1st Avenue) or create more than one intersection with the same name?

No

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