

# Louisville Metro Council City Agency Request

- Neighborhood Development Fund (NDF)
- Capital Infrastructure Fund (CIF)
- Municipal Aid Program (MAP)
- Paving Fund (PAV)

**Primary Sponsor:** Councilwoman Jessica E Green District 1

**Amount:** \$188.00 **Date:** 10/24/2016

**Description of program/project including public purpose, additional funding sources, location of project/program and any external grantee(s):**


Requesting the cost associated with a Honorary sign in honor of Rev. Dr A. Russell Awkard pastor of New Zion Baptist Church @ 1501 Louis Coleman Jr Drive ,Louisville ,KY 40211 . Celebrating his 44th pastoral anniversary and over 4 decades of community service in West end Louisville . The sign will be placed @ the corner in front of New Zion Church @ ( 1501 Louis Coleman Jr Driver & Southern Ave ) , resolution drafted and included .

**City Agency:** Metro Public Works & Assets / Signs & Markings

**Contact Person:** Kenny Slaughter

**Agency Phone:** 502 574 2710

**I have reviewed this request for an expenditure of city tax dollars, and have determined the funds will be used for a public purpose and have the attached documentation from the receiving department concerning the project/expenditure.**

<u>1</u>		<u>\$188.00</u>	<u>10/24/2016</u>
District #	Council Member Signature	Amount	Date

**Approved by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Appropriations Committee Chairman Date

**Clerk's Office & OMB Use Only:**

Request Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Amended Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference #: \_\_\_\_\_ To OMB: \_\_\_\_\_

Budget Revision #: \_\_\_\_\_

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

To Project Manager: \_\_\_\_\_ Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Cost: \_\_\_\_\_ Funds Returned: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Weathers, Charles**

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**From:** Slaughter, Kenneth G.  
**Sent:** Friday, October 21, 2016 9:01 AM  
**To:** Weathers, Charles  
**Cc:** Sparks, Stuart; Jennings, Patricia A  
**Subject:** RE: Emailing - SKMBT\_36161012092200.pdf

We are more than happy to fabricate and install the one sign; I just wanted to inform you of what the usual process entails. All we need to kick off this initiative is a copy of the executed resolution and the cost center number that CW Green would like to bill this to. We won't bill this project until it has been fully completed. Please be advised that the price of (\$188) will cover all fabrication and installation cost. If I can provide further assistance please feel free to contact me.

Kindly,

### **Kenny Slaughter**

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**From:** Weathers, Charles  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 19, 2016 4:45 PM  
**To:** Slaughter, Kenneth G.  
**Subject:** RE: Emailing - SKMBT\_36161012092200.pdf

Mr Slaughter, thank you for getting back to me about the signage , we need only 1 sign and if possible and have the honorary sign attached to the wooden pole right in front of the church @ Louis Coleman Jr Drive & Southern Ave because there isn't a street sign on that side of the street, I will have to ask Councilwoman Green if she is willing to pay for 2 signs . The county Attorney has already done the resolution and I was trying to get the cost estimate so I can submit it all at the same time along with the NDF request to pay for the sign , in the pass I would receive a bill from your division to attract to the paperwork and if that has changed just let me know what I need to do . I have been in contact with a board member from the church and they will set the unveiling date after I present this to the Appropriations committee , If you have any questions please give me a call . Thank you C Weathers

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**From:** Slaughter, Kenneth G.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 19, 2016 2:53 PM  
**To:** Weathers, Charles  
**Cc:** Roades, Bonnie J; Hall, Barbara C; Sparks, Stuart  
**Subject:** RE: Emailing - SKMBT\_36161012092200.pdf

Good Afternoon Charles!

1497 S 34th St

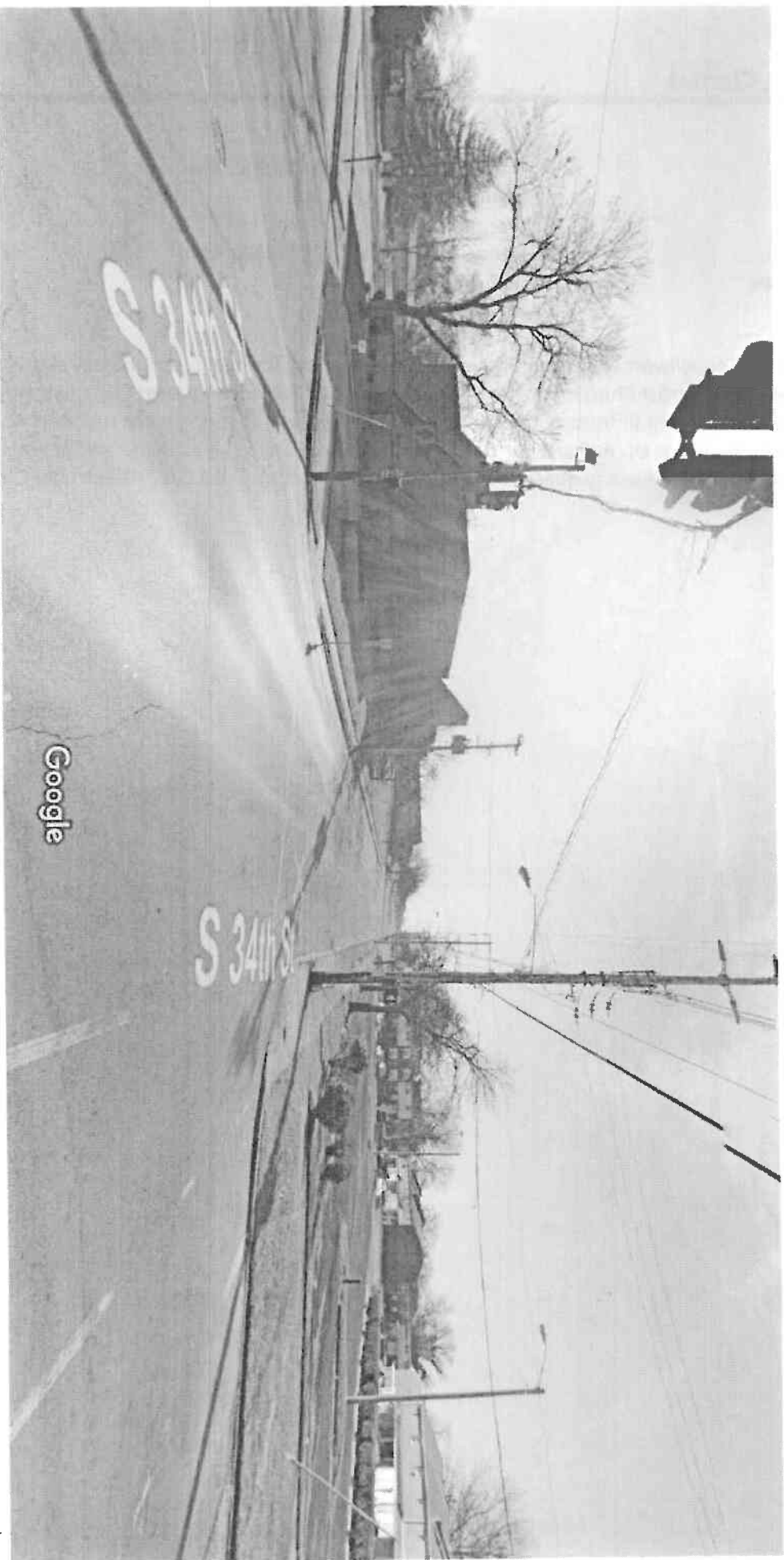


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Louisville, Kentucky  
Street View - Dec 2015

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18/10/2016

Supermarket

## **Weathers, Charles**

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**From:** Roades, Bonnie J  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2016 10:20 AM  
**To:** Weathers, Charles  
**Cc:** Slaughter, Kenneth G.  
**Subject:** RE: Honorary sign

Mr. Weathers,

I believe that the cost for one sign is \$188.00.

Also, Mr. Graves is no longer with Metro. Any inquiries regarding signage request should now be addressed to Mr. Kenny Slaughter at 794-6862 or [Kenneth.slaughter@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:Kenneth.slaughter@louisvilleky.gov).

I have copied Mr. Slaughter on this response. He would be able to confirm that the cost I still \$188.00 or if it has changed.

Thank You.  
Bonnie

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**From:** Weathers, Charles  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2016 10:10 AM  
**To:** 'Graves, Derek'  
**Cc:** Roades, Bonnie J  
**Subject:** Honorary sign

Ms. Roades , I was asked by Councilwoman Green to inquire about the cost of 1 Sign or is the price the same as last year \$178.88 . Thank you C Weathers

# CHURCH HISTORY

**Forward by Faith - 1927 and Upward** – Little Zion Baptist Church was organized on April 14, 1927, after a series of prayer meetings in this neighborhood that was then called “Little Africa.” There were 25 Charter Members in the organizational meeting, during which **Rev. C. J. Cunningham** was elected as Pastor. Deacons, Trustees, Senior Choir and Little Zion Female Quartet were soon organized. A wood frame edifice was built at 3414 York Avenue in August of that year. The Pastor operated several small businesses in the community. He was married to **Mrs. Dollye W. Cunningham**, a noted author, instructor and organizer. Her missionary manual is still used by the National Baptist Foreign Mission Board. During this era, the church developed a rich music ministry. Over the years, New Zion has given thousands of dollars to Simmons in their honor.

**1950's** - In January 1950, Little Zion Baptist Church moved to a new brick sanctuary at 34th and South Ave; the name then changed to **New Zion Baptist Church**. At the height of his ministry, Pastor Cunningham was Central District Moderator, Trustee, Treasurer and Instructor at Simmons University (now Simmons College) in KY).

**1970's** - Rev. Cunningham died on March, 13, 1971, after serving 43 years and 11 months as shepherd. In February 1972 the edifice was destroyed by fire. Worship services were moved to Magazine 7th Day Adventist Church. Shortly thereafter, **Rev. A. Russell Awkard** of Fredericksburg, Virginia, was called to be New Zion's second Pastor. He arrived on the 4th Sunday in October 1972. A new church facility was completed and dedicated in April 1974 (41 years ago this month).

**Radio and Television** ministries began in the 1970's. Live radio services were broadcast over WLOU, beginning in February 1975. Early morning services started in March 1977. **Prison Ministry** was launched in 1978. Television services began on Channel 32, four months after the church mortgage was liquidated in December 1979. The television ministry is now seen three times a week on the Faith Channel 19.

**1980's** – From 1983 to 2010, the church was Sponsor of **James S. Taylor Memorial Home**, a 122-bed intermediate and skilled care facility. The church's expansion project was completed in 1986, adding a chapel, administrative offices, and second-story educational wing with a library.

**1990's** – New Zion began operating an after-school program, and continued the summer youth day camp. A capital stewardship campaign elevated our stewardship commitment. Yet, **Tithing (10%-Plus)** remains the cornerstone of our church's financial support.

**The 21<sup>st</sup> Century** – A six-million-dollar reconstruction was completed on the **James S. Taylor Memorial Home** now Christian Care West. **New Zion Community Development Foundation** purchased the old Virginia Avenue elementary School in 2002. A food pantry, clothes store, and summer day camp and other services were operated for 10 years. **West End School** was established at the historic site in 2004 as a free boarding school for middle-school boys.

Including 2014, the **Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention** has held its Annual Session five times in Louisville. New Zion was the Host Church in 1977, 1984, 1992, and 2003. Pastor Awkard was President of Lott Carey (1991-1994). New Zion established a \$50,000 endowment with Lott Carey for foreign students in 2002.

Like his predecessor, Pastor Awkard is an entrepreneur -- President of **Rodgers-Awkard & Lyons Funeral Home**. He also served as Moderator of Central District Baptist Association (1989-1995) and Moderator of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky (2004-2009). His wife, **The Honorable Pamela E. Bridgewater Awkard** (retired) is the former U.S. Ambassador to Benin, Ghana, and Jamaica.

In June 2013, a 21-member delegation traveled to Kingston and Montego Bay, Jamaica, visited Ambassador **Pamela E. Bridgewater**, and introduced the new concept of “Voluntourism” through their outreach to the **Jamaica National Children's Home**.