

State of North Carolina

County of Cumberland

PETITION TO CLOSE STREET

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 160A-299

To: The Mayor and Members of the City Council of
Fayetteville, North Carolina

1. Leroy Faircloth, Charlie Sellers and H.B. Turlington, as Trustees for The Church of God of East Fayetteville, N.C. (or as specified in the deeds recorded in Book 675, Page 93; Book 2283, Page 563; and 2194, Page 194, Cumberland County, NC, Public Registry) are the record owners of certain properties located in Fayetteville, North Carolina as described in the aforementioned deeds ("Church Properties").
2. The Church Properties are operated and used as the Sapona Road Church of God, such Church Properties bearing Cumberland County parcel identification numbers 0447-30-9473, 0447-30-9589 and 0447-40-0493).
3. The Church Properties abut an unopened street named Bullock Street lying between Sapona Road and Haywood Street, Bullock Street being shown on the plat map entitled "Map of East Bend Addition" dated March 8-15, 1923, and recorded in Plat Book 7, Page 106, Cumberland County, NC, Public Registry ("1923 Plat Map").
4. Although Bullock Street was platted on the 1923 Plat Map, that portion of Bullock Street lying between Sapona Road and Haywood Street which is the subject of this Petition has never been accepted or maintained by the City of Fayetteville.
5. According to Cumberland County GIS information, the only parcels abutting Bullock Street lying between Sapona Road and Haywood Street are:
 - (i) the Church Properties, and
 - (ii) a parcel bearing Cumberland County parcel identification number 0447-40-1517 owned by Harry Bruce Parham pursuant to a deed recorded in Book 8720, Page 573, Cumberland County, NC, Public Registry ("Parham Parcel").
6. The Church Properties, together with the Parham Parcel, do not utilize Bullock Street for access to their respective properties, but instead have access, ingress and egress to and from their properties by Sapona Road or Haywood Street, respectively.
7. All parcels abutting Bullock Street between Sapona Road and Haywood Street have access, ingress and egress to and from their properties by Sapona Road or Haywood Street, respectively.

8. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, Bullock Street has never been opened or used as a street by the public since the 1923 Plat Map was recorded.
9. Bullock Street as platted on the 1923 Plat Map lying between Sapona Road and Haywood Street is being and has been utilized by the owners of the Church Properties and the Parham Parcel, respectively, for parking and other fenced-in uses by the respective owners.
10. Petitioner is desirous of closing that portion of Bullock Street lying between Sapona Road and Haywood Street as shown on the attached maps, pursuant to N.C. G.S. Section 160A-299(d).
11. Your Petitioner believes that it would be in the best interests of all parties that said portion of Bullock Street lying between Sapona Road and Haywood Street be closed as a street and that your Petitioner believes that the closing of said street portion would not deprive anyone of reasonable means of ingress and egress to and from his/her/its property and that the closing of said street portion will not do any harm to persons known to your Petitioner.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner respectfully petitions the City Council of the City of Fayetteville as follows:

1. That the portion of Bullock Street lying between Sapona Road and Haywood Street be closed pursuant to authority set forth in N.C. G.S. Section 160A-299.
2. That a hearing be held pursuant to N.C. G.S. Section 160A-299 after appropriate notification to all parties as set forth in the aforesaid statute.

[Signature appears on the following page.]

This the 29 day of April, 2025.

Petitioner:

The Church of God of East Fayetteville, N.C.
a/k/a Sapona Road Church of God

By: 

Name: Aaron Wilson

Title: Lead Pastor



Edward Smeowan being duly sworn says this map was made from an actual survey made by him March 8th to 15th, 1923, and is correct to the best of his knowledge and belief and that the magnetic declination was 3.42 W.

Edward Smeowan C.S.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of March, 1923

My Commission Expires Sept 19, 1924

For closure

MAP

EAST BEUL Addition

Formerly Robert G. Haigh Property

Situated in

Flea Hill Township Cumberland County N.C.

Surveyed and subdivided by Washington Development Co.

1319 F. St. Washington D.C. March 8th to 15th 1923

E. S. McGehee C.S.



