

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 26-0175  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: Councilmember Blanchard

Cosponsored by: Councilmembers Parker, Dorsey, Middleton, Jones, and Ramos

Introduced and read first time: April 27, 2026

Assigned to: Land Use and Transportation Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Transportation,  
Department of Planning

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Street Names – Authority to Change Suffix**

3 FOR the purpose of granting to the City Council the authority to change the suffix of a street  
4 name.

5 BY repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments,

6 Article 26 - Surveys, Streets, and Highways

7 Section 7-3(c)

8 Baltimore City Code

9 (Edition 2000)

10 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the  
11 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

12 **Baltimore City Code**

13 **Article 26. Surveys, Streets, and Highways**

14 **Subtitle 7. Street Names**

15 **§ 7-3. Procedure for naming or renaming.**

16 (c) *Guidelines.*

17 In naming or changing the name of any street, avenue, or other thoroughfare, the  
18 following guidelines shall be observed:

19 (1) the name may not be the same as the name of an existing street, avenue, or  
20 thoroughfare;

21 (2) the name may not be the name of a living person or persons;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 (3) the name may not be the name of an existing or proposed business or of an  
2 existing or proposed product of a business; [and]

3 (4) the name shall be given to the entire length of the street, avenue, or  
4 [thoroughfare.] THOROUGHFARE; AND

5 (5) THE STREET SUFFIX MAY BE CHANGED FOR A GIVEN BLOCK OR SET OF BLOCKS TO  
6 BETTER DESCRIBE THE CHARACTER OF THE STREET, AVENUE, OR THOROUGHFARE.

7 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
8 after the date it is enacted.