

DATE: August 7, 2024

TO: Joliet Plan Commission

FROM: Planning Staff

SUBJECT: SN-1-24: Street Name Change for Riverboat Center Boulevard to Rock Creek Boulevard (adjacent to 1411 and 1421 Riverboat Center Drive)

GENERAL INFORMATION:

APPLICANT: City of Joliet

STATUS OF APPLICANT: Owner

REQUESTED ACTION: Street name change

PURPOSE: To align the street names at this intersection to eliminate confusing street signage

EXISTING ZONING: Adjacent zoning is B-3 (General Business)

LOCATION: Between Houbolt Road and Riverboat Center Drive (adjacent to 05-06-23-401-003-0000 and 05-06-23-402-004-0000)

R.O.W. SIZE: Approximately 277 linear feet

EXISTING LAND USE: Local street

SURROUNDING LAND USE & ZONING:

NORTH: Commercial, B-3 (General Business)

SOUTH: Commercial, B-3 (General Business)

EAST: Commercial, B-3 (General Business)

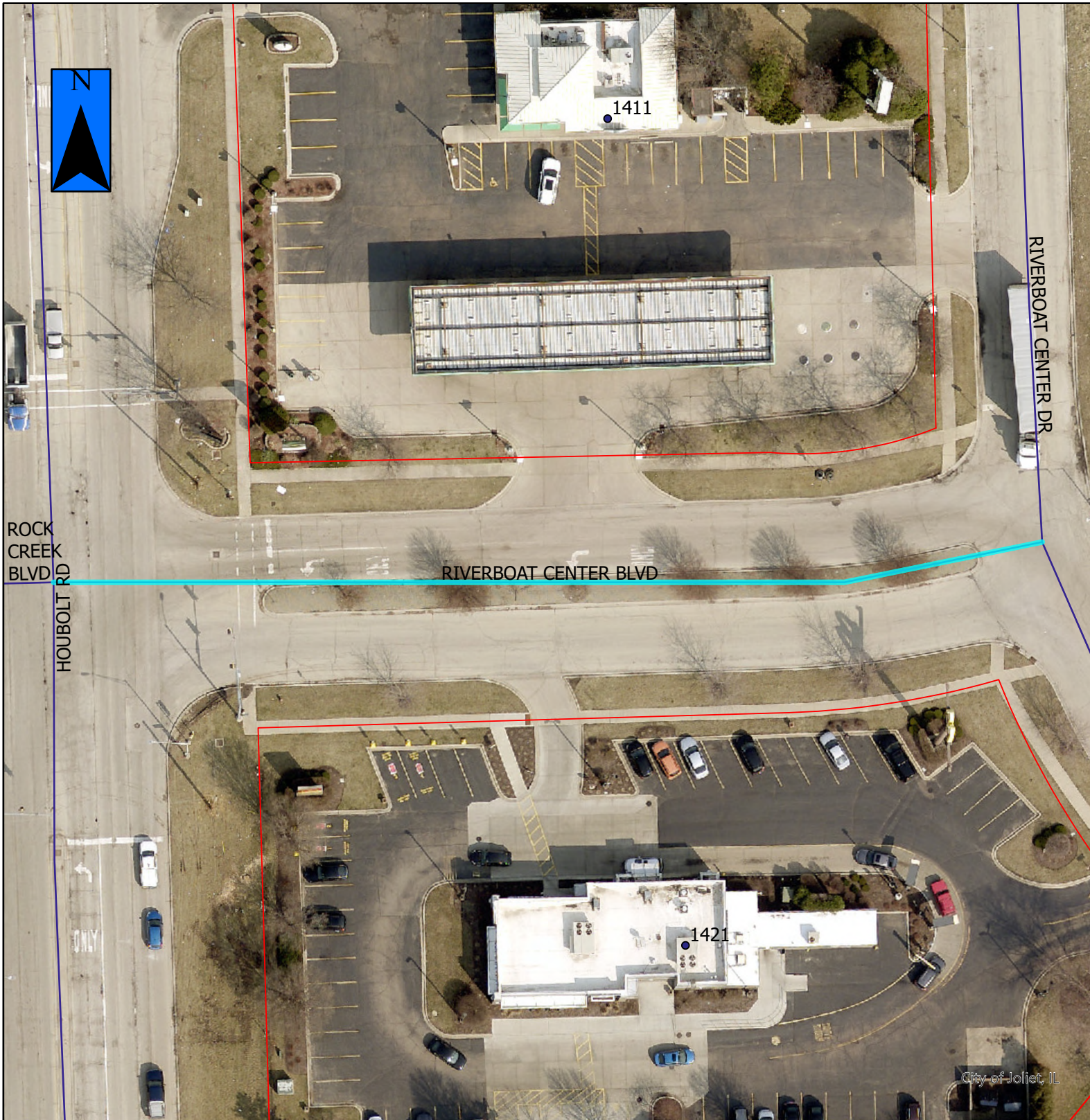
WEST: Commercial, B-3 (General Business)

SITE HISTORY: The intersection of Houbolt Road with Riverboat Center Boulevard and Rock Creek Boulevard was built in the mid-1990s. Riverboat Center Boulevard is on the east side of the intersection and Rock Creek Boulevard is on the west side. Riverboat Center Boulevard, the subject of this request, is only one block long and terminates at Riverboat Center Drive on the east. Rock Creek Boulevard aligns with Riverboat Center Boulevard on the west side of the intersection and is a longer street with many established properties along its frontage.

SPECIAL INFORMATION: The City will soon be replacing the street signs at this Houbolt Road intersection and would like to change Riverboat Center Boulevard to Rock Creek Boulevard to simplify the street signage at the intersection. The only sign at this intersection for Riverboat Center Boulevard is a street sign pole at the southeast corner. There are street signs for Rock Creek Boulevard on the mast arms of both the north and south traffic signals on Houbolt Road, as well as on a pole at the northwest corner. Vehicles traveling on Houbolt Road approaching the intersection would simultaneously see the small sign for Riverboat Center Boulevard and the larger sign for Rock Creek Boulevard. The street name change will eliminate the confusing signage as only one name will be displayed.

Riverboat Center Boulevard is only one block long and has no properties fronting it, so the change to Rock Creek Boulevard will not affect any property addresses. The two commercial properties adjacent to the street have addresses on Riverboat Center Drive.

ANALYSIS: Approval of the requested street name change will create consistent street naming and correct confusing street signage at this intersection.



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Figure 1: Intersection of Houbolt Road with Riverboat Center Boulevard on the east and Rock Creek Boulevard on the west (2024)



Figure 2: Street signs at the intersection, looking north up Houbolt Road (October 2022)

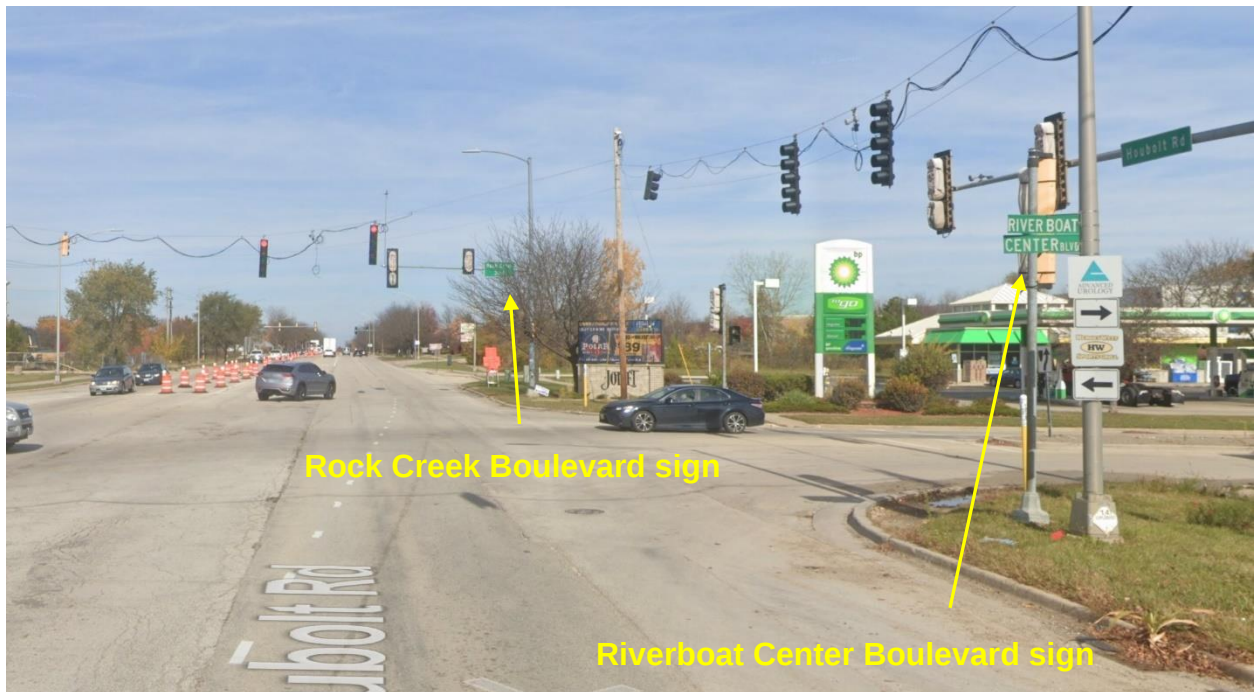


Figure 3: Street signs at the intersection, looking south down Houbolt Road (July 2021)



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CITY PLAN COMMISSION
JOLIET, ILLINOIS

PETITION TO CHANGE A STREET NAME

PETITIONER'S NAME: CITY OF JOLIET
HOME ADDRESS: 150 W. JEFFERSON ST.
CITY, STATE, ZIP: JOLIET, IL 60432
HOME PHONE: _____
CELL #: _____ E-MAIL: _____
BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____
CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____
BUSINESS PHONE: _____

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (location of street): _____

COMMON ADDRESS: RIVERBOAT CENTER BOULEVARD (EAST OF HEBOLT / WEST OF CENTER DRIVE)
LOT SIZE: WIDTH: 100' DEPTH 277.16 AREA _____
PRESENT STREET NAME: RIVERBOAT CENTER BOULEVARD
PROPOSED STREET NAME: ROCK CREEK BOULEVARD
USES OF SURROUNDING PROPERTIES: North: COM ; B-3

South: " " "
East: " " "
West: " " "

REASON FOR REQUEST: TO CORRECT CONFUSING STREET SIGNAGE ISSUE

STATE OF ILLINOIS) ss
COUNTY OF WILL)

I, JAMES N. TORRI, depose and say that the foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further state that I agree to be present in person or by representation when this petition is heard by the Plan Commission.

James N. Torri
Petitioner's Signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: