

public use. Where such improved property is owned by co-tenants, joint tenants or tenants by the entireties, a co-tenant or joint tenant may petition on behalf of the remaining joint tenants or co-tenants of a particular property.

(b) In lieu of a petition in accordance with the terms of subsection (a) of this Section, a civic or community association may petition the County to accept a street, road, avenue or alley provided the following criteria are met:

(1) The said association must own the street, avenue, road or alley being petitioned.

(2) Any property owner adjoining the street, avenue, road or alley being petitioned has the right to become a voting member of the association under the terms of the association's constitution, charter or by-laws.

(3) The said association shall have been in existence for at least three (3) years prior to the time of filing the petition.

(4) The said association shall have duly adopted a resolution to petition the County at a meeting of its Board of Directors or membership (as the case may be) in accordance with the charter and/or by-laws of the said association.

(5) That the association shall deliver (by hand or registered mail) to the Director of Public Works or his designee, the petition and evidence that said association complies with subsections (1), (2), (3) and (4) above. Such evidence shall be certified by an officer of the association and shall be under corporate seal if applicable.

(c) After having received the petition in form prescribed by and provided by the Director of Public Works, the Director of Public Works shall within seven (7) days after the receipt of the petition fix the time, date and place for the public hearing to be conducted by the Director or his designee, such hearing shall be held no sooner than six (6) weeks and no later than ten (10) weeks after the petition has been received. He shall immediately notify the petitioners or their representatives by registered mail of the time, date and place of such hearing.

(d) After having been notified by the Director of Public Works of the time, date and place of the public hearing, the petitioner or petitioners shall give notice of their pending petition by publication in one or more newspapers published in the County once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, setting forth the length, location and termini of the petitioned street, road, avenue or alley, ~~the names and addresses of all abutting property owners,~~ and the time, date and place of the hearing before the Director of Public Works or his designee. ~~Within two (2) weeks of the first publication, the petitioner or petitioners shall mail a copy of the advertisement to each of the owners of abutting property or shall personally deliver same to such owners.~~ AT LEAST TWO (2) WEEKS PRIOR TO THE DATE SET FOR HEARING, THE PETITIONERS SHALL POST SIGNS AT EITHER END OF THE STREET, AVENUE, ROAD OR ALLEY, WHICH SIGNS, IN LARGE LETTERING AT LEAST TWO INCHES HIGH, SHALL SET FORTH THE PETITION AND THE DATE OF HEARING.

(e) The Director of Public Works or his designee at the time, date and place prescribed in the advertisement shall hear such evidence as may