



March 25, 2021

Mr. Jacob Ray, PE  
City of Columbia Public Works  
701 E. Broadway  
Columbia, MO 65201

RE: Request to vacate the right-of-way of Burnside Drive  
EquipmentShare (Lots 11 and 12 of Eastport Centre Plat 2-A)

Dear Mr. Ray:

The purpose of this email is to formally request to vacate the existing Burnside Drive right-of-way between its current north terminus and Bull Run Drive (between Lots 11 and 12 of Eastport Centre Plat 2-A). We have provided a legal description of this right-of-way to further clarify. In addition to our discussion during the concept review and well as our meeting on 3/11/21, the following information is meant to provide a basis for this request.

Burnside Drive was originally platted as a part of the Eastport Village and Eastport Centre developments in 2003 and 2005 respectively to allow local access to the proposed Eastport Centre commercial area as well as a north/south connection for the Eastport Village neighborhood. Since the original planning of this area, several things have changed that impact the purpose of and need for this portion of Burnside Drive.

First, per the CATSO plan, a north/south major collector street is planned just to the east of Burnside Drive (between 100' and 315' to the east). Right-of-way for this major collector has been platted with the development of the solar farm to the east. This future major collector will connect to the south end of Burnside Drive, providing the neighborhood an additional north/south access.

Second, with the EquipmentShare Campus proposed to encompass Lots 10 – 12 of Eastport Centre and the solar farm encompassing the property to the east, there is no need for a local roadway such as Burnside Drive to allow access to numerous businesses within Lots 11 and 12 (which was Burnside's original intention).

Third, Eastport Village has been fully developed for some time. We know of no existing access issues and there are numerous connections into and out of the neighborhood including a connection to the north approximately 1,050 ft west of Burnside Drive. Even with the vacation of Burnside Drive across EquipmentShare's property, the proposed north/south major collector would provide an additional connection to the north at a spacing of 1,200 ft.

Fourth, with the proposed major collector in place, the redundancy of Burnside Drive's north connection could serve as a cut-through path/loop which would put additional traffic through the existing neighborhood. Based on the above, we believe the Burnside connection is no longer needed and, in some cases, could be detrimental to the existing neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration and please let us know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,  
Allstate Consultants LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wesley Bolton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Wes Bolton, PE, ACTAR

Enc.