

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Community Development - Planning

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 6, 2017

Re: 525 Elm Street - Stormwater Right-of-Way Vacation (Case #17-38)

Executive Summary

Approval of this request would result in the vacation of an existing seven-foot "right-of-way" that previously contained a storm sewer between 5th and 6th Streets, adjacent to the northern edge of the existing Elm Street. The storm sewer has been relocated in the existing Elm Street right-of-way.

Discussion

The applicant, Catalyst Design Works, is requesting, on behalf of 6th & Elm, LLC (owner) that the City vacate the existing seven-foot wide "storm sewer right-of-way" between 5th and 6th Streets, that lies adjacent to the northern edge of the Elm Street right-of-way. The vacation area lies across the southern portion of Lots 16-18 of the Old Town subdivision of the City of Columbia which are currently being redeveloped with a new residential apartment building.

Original dedication documents are entitled "Conveyance of Right-of-Way," however, the documents then describe the area to be, "...for the purpose of laying the necessary pipe for the Main Public Storm Sewer, and the further right to go upon said lot for the purpose of keeping said Sewer in necessary repair..." The term "right-of-way," describes in this case a utility easement.

Staff review has identified no need to retain the easement, as the applicant has relocated the storm sewer within the existing 6th Street right-of-way and removed the outdated storm sewer. No other utilities were identified as being located within the easement or potentially being impacted by its proposed vacation.

Staff has reviewed and supports the requested easement vacations. Locator maps and vacation graphic are attached for reference.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None. Long-Term Impact: None.



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Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Development, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	Lots 16-18 of Old Town Columbia

Suggested Council Action

Approve the requested right-of-way (easement) vacation.