

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date: December 21, 2015

Agenda Item No. 51

Roll Call No. [\_\_\_\_\_]

Communication No. 15-664

Submitted by: Pamela S. Cooksey,

P.E., City Engineer

#### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Hold hearing for conveyance of a vacated portion of the east-west alley right-of-way located north of and adjoining 1228 East Ovid Avenue to Brian J. Ritchie for \$25.

## **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of conveyance of a vacated portion of the east-west alley right-of-way located north of and adjoining 1228 East Ovid Avenue to Brian J. Ritchie, 1228 East Ovid Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, 50316, for \$25. This action is required by Iowa law prior to making a final determination on the proposed sale by resolution. The sale of the City's property will allow the buyer to assemble the land with his existing residential lot. There is no current or anticipated public need for this property, and this conveyance will eliminate future maintenance and liability costs for the City and will return the property to the tax rolls.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$25 (Revenue)

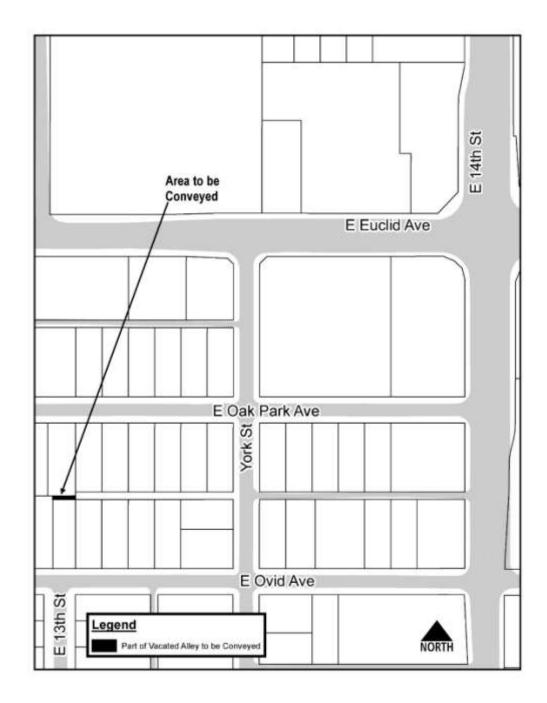
Funding Source: Non-project related land sale proceeds are used to support general operating budget

expenses: Org – EG064090

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On September 16, 1940, the City of Des Moines approved Ordinance No. 4594 vacating the alley right-of-way located north of and adjoining 1228 East Ovid Avenue, but the south half of the vacated alley right-of-way was not conveyed at that time. There is no current or anticipated public need for this property, and this conveyance will eliminate future maintenance and liability costs for the City and will return the property to the tax rolls.

Brian J. Ritchie owns the property at 1228 East Ovid Avenue, which adjoins the alley right-of-way, and has offered to the City of Des Moines the purchase price of \$25 for the purchase of the property. The property to be conveyed consists of approximately 308-square-feet and the purchase price reflects the fair market value of the property, as currently estimated by the City's Real Estate Division.



# PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: December 7, 2015

Roll Call Number: 15-2054

Action: On conveyance of vacated portion of the east/west alley right-of-way north of and adjoining 1228 E. Ovid Avenue to Brian J. Ritchie, \$25, (12-21-15). Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Cownie.

Date: September 16, 1940

Ordinance Number: 4594

<u>Action</u>: Approving an ordinance providing for the vacation of that portion of the east and west alley lying west of York Street, and between and abutting on Lots 16, 17, 18 and 19, of Mann's Second Addition to Highland Park, in Des Moines, Iowa, and providing for the conveyance thereof to the abutting property owners.

Date: June 27, 1940

Roll Call Number: 1668

<u>Action</u>: Receive and file a recommendation from the City Plan and Zoning Commission to approve the request to vacate the east and west alley lying west of York Street, and between and abutting on Lots 16, 17, 18 and 19, of Mann's Second Addition to Highland Park, in Des Moines, Iowa

### **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

**Board:** Plan and Zoning Commission

Date: June 27, 1940

<u>Action</u>: Recommend approval of the request to vacate the east and west alley lying west of York Street, and between and abutting on Lots 16, 17, 18 and 19, of Mann's Second Addition to Highland Park, in Des Moines, Iowa.

### ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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