

★ Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

30A

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June 9, 2008

Date

WHEREAS, the City Plan and Zoning Commission has advised that at a public hearing held on May 15, 2008, its members voted 11-0 in support of a motion to recommend **APPROVAL** of a City Council initiated request to vacate and convey the following in the vicinity of 212 Raccoon Street:

1. Raccoon Street from the Des Moines River to East 4th Street.
2. Southeast 2nd Street from vacated East Elm Street to Raccoon Street.

MOVED by _____ to receive and file and refer to the Engineering Department, Real Estate Division.

FORM APPROVED:

Roger K. Brown
Roger K. Brown
Assistant City Attorney

(11-2008-1.08)

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
HENSLEY				
KIERNAN				
MAHAFFEY				
MEYER				
VLASSIS				
TOTAL				

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk

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Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Des Moines, Iowa

Members:

Communication from the City Plan and Zoning Commission advising that at their meeting held May 15, 2008, the following action was taken:

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

After public hearing, the members voted 11-0 as follows:

Commission Action:	Yes	Nays	Pass	Absent
Leisha Barcus				X
JoAnne Corigliano	X			
David Cupp				X
Shirley Daniels	X			
Dann Flaherty	X			
Bruce Heilman	X			
Jeffrey Johannsen				X
Greg Jones	X			
Frances Koontz				X
Kaye Lozier	X			
Brian Millard	X			
Mike Simonson	X			
Kent Sovern	X			
Tim Urban	X			
Marc Wallace	X			

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Written Responses

0 In Favor

0 In Opposition

STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND BASIS FOR APPROVAL

Staff recommends approval of the subject vacations and conveyance.



CITY PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION
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ALL-AMERICA CITY
1949, 1976, 1981
2003

STAFF REPORT

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **Purpose of Request:** On March 10, 2008 the City Council approved Roll Call Number 08-378 initiating the proposed vacations and the conveyance of a portion of the subject SE 2nd Avenue right-of-way as part of an agreement with the MidAmerican Energy Company to facilitate the construction of the Southeast Connector.
2. **Size of Site:** The subject portion of Raccoon Street measure approximately 975 lineal feet. The subject portion of SE 2nd Avenue measures approximately 330 lineal feet. The portion of SE 2nd Avenue proposed for conveyance is irregularly shaped. It measures 66 feet at its maximum width and measures 147 feet at its maximum length.
3. **Existing Zoning (site):** "D-R" Downtown Riverfront District and "GGP" Gambling Games Prohibition Overlay District.
4. **Existing Land Use (site):** Developed street right-of-way.
5. **Adjacent Land Use and Zoning:**
 - North* – "D-R", Use is MidAmerican Energy Company office, warehousing and vehicle maintenance facilities.
 - South* – "D-R", Uses are light industrial and City fleet vehicle storage.
 - East* – "D-R", Uses are light industrial.
 - West* – "D-R", Use is the Des Moines River.
6. **General Neighborhood/Area Land Uses:** The subject property is within a light industrial area east of the Des Moines River and South of the East Village.
7. **Applicable Recognized Neighborhood(s):** N/A.
8. **Relevant Zoning History:** The City Council rezoned the subject property to the "D-R" Downtown River Front District on April 19, 2004.
9. **2020 Community Character Land Use Plan Designation:** Downtown Support Commercial.
10. **Applicable Regulations:** The Commission reviews all proposals to vacate land dedicated for a specific public purpose, such as for streets and parks, to determine whether the land is still needed for such purpose or may be released (vacated) for other use. The recommendation of the Commission is forwarded to the City Council.

II. ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE INFORMATION

1. **Utilities:** The City's agreement with MidAmerican Energy Company includes the retention of all necessary easements for existing utilities and necessary access.
2. **Street System:** The proposed vacations and conveyance are necessary to allow the development of a portion of the Southeast Connector. This portion of the SE Connector will consist of a four-lane roadway extension of Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway across the Des Moines River to SE 6th Street.

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

There was no discussion on this item.

CHAIRPERSON OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING

There was no one in the audience to speak on this item.

CHAIRPERSON CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING

Kaye Lozier: Moved approval of the subject vacations and conveyance.

Motion passed 11-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Ludwig, AICP
Planning Administrator

MGL:dfa

Attachment

City Council initiated request for vacation and conveyance in the vicinity of 212 Raccoon Street.		File #		
		11-2008-1.08		
Description of Action	Vacate and convey the following: A) Raccoon Street from the Des Moines River to East 4 th Street. B) Southeast 2 nd Street from vacated East Elm Street to Raccoon Street.			
2020 Community Character Plan	Downtown: Support Commercial, Traditional Industrial, Park/Open Space			
Horizon 2025 Transportation Plan	SE Diagonal from 2 nd Avenue to E 14 th Street to add 4 lanes divided			
Current Zoning District	"DR" Downtown Riverfront			
Proposed Zoning District	N/A			
Consent Card Responses	In Favor	Not In Favor	Undetermined	% Opposition
Inside Area				
Outside Area	0	0	0	N/A
Plan and Zoning Commission Action	Approval	11-0	Required 6/7 Vote of the City Council	Yes
	Denial			No

City of Des Moines - SE 2nd and Raccoon

11-2008-1.08

