

**Date** August 4, 2025

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**SET HEARING FOR VACATION OF THE NORTH/SOUTH ALLEY RIGHT-OF WAY  
LOCATED EAST OF AND ADJOINING 715, 719, 723 AND 729 SW 63<sup>RD</sup> STREET AND  
CONVEYANCE TO D. WRIGHT PROPERTIES, LLC FOR \$28,500**

**WHEREAS**, on May 19, 2025, by Roll Call No. 25-0732, the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa voted to receive and file a communication from the City Plan and Zoning Commission to vacate approximately 3,817 square feet of the north/south alley right-of-way in the vicinity of 729 Southwest 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, which is within the block bounded by Winona Avenue to the south and Tonka Avenue to the north (hereinafter “Property”), subject to the reservation of any necessary easements for all existing utilities in place until such time that they are abandoned or relocated at no cost to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, D. Wright Properties, LLC, owner of 715, 719, 723 and 729 SW 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, Des Moines, Iowa, has offered to the City of Des Moines (“City”) the purchase price of \$28,500.00 for the Property to allow for assemblage with their adjoining properties, subject to the reservation of any necessary easements for all existing utilities in place until such time that they are abandoned or relocated, which price reflects the fair market value of the City Property as determined by the City’s Real Estate Division; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no known current or future public need for the Property proposed to be vacated and sold, and the City will not be inconvenienced by the vacation and sale of said Property.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

1. That the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, shall consider adoption of an ordinance permanently vacating the north/south alley right-of-way located east of and adjoining 715, 719, 723 and 729 SW 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, Des Moines, Iowa, legally described as follows:

THE NORTH/SOUTH 16 FOOT ALLEY EAST OF AND ADJACENT TO LOTS 5-8 OF E. CALVERT'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF DES MOINES, POLK COUNTY, IOWA, CONTAINING 3817 SQUARE FEET

2. The City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, further proposes to sell the vacated alley right-of-way, located east of and adjoining 715, 719, 723 and 729 SW 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, Des Moines, Iowa, as legally described below, to D. Wright Properties, LLC for \$28,500.00, subject to reservation of easements therein:

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- That the meeting of the City Council at which the adoption of said ordinance and the sale and conveyance of such right-of-way is to be considered shall be on August 18, 2025, said meeting to be held at 5:00 p.m., in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, 400 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa. At that time the City Council will consider the above-described proposal, and any other(s) submitted prior to or during the public hearing. Persons interested in the proposal will be given the opportunity to express their views at that hearing.
- The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of said proposal in the form hereto attached all in accordance with §362.3 of the Iowa Code.
- Non-project related land sale proceeds are used to support general operating budget expenses: Org – EG064090.

Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


/s/ Grant Hyland  
Grant Hyland, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
GATTO	✓			
TOTAL	7			
MOTION CARRIED		APPROVED		
<div> Mayor</div>				

### CERTIFICATE

I, Laura Baumgartner, 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.

  
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Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk