OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION FEBRUARY 4, 2020 AGENDA

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
An ordinance abandoning the Van Buren Street right-of-way located between West 13 th and West 14 th Streets. (G-23- 473).	√ Ordinance Resolution	
Submitted By:		
Planning & Development Department		Bruce T. Moore City Manager
SYNOPSIS	Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church is requesting the abandonment of the Van Buren Street right-of-way located between West 13 th and West 14 th Streets adjacent to Lots 1 and 12, Block 1, Metropolitan Addition, Plat of record dated April 24, 1906 and recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 122A and the unrecorded Good Counsel Church property described as the East ¹ / ₂ , NW ¹ / ₄ , NW ¹ / ₄ , NE ¹ / ₄ , T-1-N, R-7-W, Pulaski County Assessor's Parcel No. 34L117000200.	
FISCAL IMPACT	None.	
RECOMMENDATION	Staff recommends approval.	
BACKGROUND	On December 5, 2019, the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the request to abandon the Van Buren Street right-of-way located between West 13 th and West 14 th Streets. There were no registered objectors present. The Commission vote was 9 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.	

BACKGROUND The CONTINUED with

There is no public need for this right-of-way. The pavement within the right-of-way serves primarily as means of access to the church parking lot located on the east side of the right-ofway. South Jackson Street and South Harrison Street, located one (1)-block to the east and west are improved streets which provide connectivity for the neighborhood.

The church proposes to incorporate the area of the abandoned right-of-way into a new parking lot planned for the property on the west side of the right-of-way. On December 5, 2019, the Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit for that proposed parking lot. The area of the abandoned right-of-way will be retained as utility and drainage easement.

Please see the Planning Commission minutes for a full analysis.