

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
JULY 1, 2025, AGENDA**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action Required</b>	<b>Approved By:</b>
<p>An Ordinance authorizing the Right-of-Way Abandonment of a portion of East 16<sup>th</sup> Street right-of-way located immediately west of Boyce Street. (G-23-496).</p> <p><b>Submitted by:</b></p> <p>Department of Planning and Development</p>	<p>√ <b>Ordinance</b> Resolution</p>	<p>Delphone Hubbard City Manager</p>
<hr/> <b>SYNOPSIS</b>	<p>The owner of the adjacent properties requests to abandon a portion of East 16<sup>th</sup> Street right-of-way, located immediately west of Boyce Street. The area of abandonment is approximately 55 feet wide by 181 feet in length (approximately 0.245 acre).</p>	
<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>	<p>None</p>	
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	<p>Approval of the ordinance. The Planning Commission recommended approval by a vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.</p>	
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	<p>There is currently a very narrow paved roadway within the right-of-way area. There is no curb, gutter or sidewalk. There are open ditches on both sides of the roadway.</p> <p>None of the public utility companies object to the abandonment request. However, several utility companies note that the abandoned street right-of-way will need to be retained as an easement.</p>	

**BACKGROUND  
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According to American Abstract and Title Company there are no reversionary rights for the area of E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street to be abandoned. The area of abandonment will be incorporated into the adjacent property for office and parking development.

On May 8, 2025, the Planning Commission voted 9 ayes, 0 noes, and 2 absent, as part of the Consent Agenda, to approve the Right-of-Way Abandonment. There were no objectors present.

All owners of property abutting East 16<sup>th</sup> Street right-of-way between Boyce Street and Security Avenue, and all neighborhood associations registered with the City of Little Rock were notified of the public hearing.

Please see the attached Planning Commission minute record for the complete staff analysis.