

MEMORANDUM

TO: Christopher Parks, Urban Transportation Commission Coordinator

FROM: Mashell Smith, Property Agent Senior

Land Management, Development Services Department

DATE: April 26, 2022

SUBJECT: F#2021-019241 Street Right-of-Way Vacation 0.676 of an acre of Cornell Avenue

Attached is the Application Packet and Master Comment Report pertaining to the right-of-way vacation application for an approximately 0.676 of an acre portion of land commonly known as Cornell Avenue. The right of way is partially paved and has been maintained by the abutting property owner rather than maintained by the City of Austin. The proposed vacation tract will be added to the abutting parcels. The abutting properties are owned by Housing Authority City of Austin (HACA). Per the transmittal letter dated February 23, 2021, received by the City of Austin, applicant states: "By releasing this right-of-way to HACA in fact, the actual responsibility for maintenance would be clear, and HACA can legitimately make use of the property to enhance the development and better meet their mission to provide quality affordable housing to the citizens of Austin."

All affected departments and private utility franchise stakeholders have reviewed the application and recommend approval, subject to the reviewers' conditions shown on the attached Master Comment Report. Austin Transportation, Electric Review, PARD/Planning & Design Review, Public Works Department Urban Trails Review and Watershed Engineering Review all have "Approved with Conditions".

Per City Code §14-11-71 – Notice to Interested Property Owners Public notice will be sent to owners within 300' of the area to be vacated. The director of the Public Works Department may approve the application after the 10th day that the notice is issued; and an affected property owner may submit comments regarding the proposed vacation.

The applicant has requested that this item be submitted for placement on the May 3, 2022, Urban Transportation Commission Agenda.

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Abutting Landowners: Housing Authority City of Austin

The applicant and/or property owner's representative will be present at the meeting to answer any questions regarding future development and vacation request.

Attachments:

Summary of Review Comments Report and Application Packet