City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

December 6, 2024

TO:

Robert Azar, Deputy Director, Planning & Development

SUBJECT:

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

CONSIDERED BY:

Sheri A. Petronio, First Deputy City Clerk

DISPOSITION:

I have been directed by Councilman Oscar O. Vargas, Chairman, Committee on Public Works to refer to you the accompanying petition for study, report and recommendation.

Petition from Dylan Conley, Esquire, Conley Law Associates, 123 Dyer Street, Suite 2B, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, on behalf of 161 Ridge, LLC, requesting to abandon a portion of Steele Street southerly of Woodbine Street.

Please report back to this office as soon as possible in order that the committee can meet in a timely fashion relative to this matter.

First Deputy City Clerk

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body,

I, *Dylan Conley*, Attorney on behalf of applicant landowner, 161 Ridge LLC, hereby petition the City Council for abandonment pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 24-6-1 of that portion of Steele Street southerly of Woodbine, identified on Exhibit A as attached hereto and incorporated herein.

In support of this petition, the undersigned respectfully represents to this Honorable City Council that said portion of Steele Street has ceased to be useful to the public, is not in use by the general public, and its only practical use is access to the applicant's property located at 7 Steele Street, Tax Assessors Plat and Lot 5-469.

In the event that the undersigned acquires titles to the Street as petitioned, the land area would be added to the City's tax rolls, removed from municipal liability, the undersigned shall pay fair market value for the real property, however, if the identified fair market value exceeds an amount which, in the judgment of Petitioners, exceeds the value of the property that petitioners are willing to pay, the undersigned reserves the right to withdraw this Petition prior to its final passage.

Petitioner, by and through their attorney:

/s/ Dylan Conley

Dylan Conley (R.I. Bar No. 8969)

Conley Law Associates

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Exhibit A

- Petitioner's real property is highlighted in Yellow, lot 469.
- Petitioner is seeking to acquire the area highlighted in Green.
 - o The area highlighted in green is an unimproved 'paper street'
- Petitioner is interested in the acquisition of the area highlighted in Blue and does hereby seek that real estate within this petition, but it is distant second priority.
 - The only purpose of the area highlighted in Blue and in Green is access to Petitioner's lot.
 - All other parcels in the area are accessed directly from Woodbine or Evergreen
 - Of note, Parcel 315 shares ownership with Parcel 11, and if need be could have access through the unimproved portion of York
 - Petitioner may be interested in acquiring the area highlighted in Orange if the City finds that it is not of public use and wishes to abandon it, but that is a tertiary matter of little interest to Petitioner.
- The slope of the area is steep. There may be no practical means of access from the public right of way to the rear of Parcel 314.

