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# **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

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Date: July 7, 2021

To: Mark F. Miller, City Manager

- From: Robert J. Bruner, Assistant City Manager R. Brent Savidant, Community Development Director
- Subject: <u>PUBLIC HEARING STREET VACATION REQUEST (SV2020-001)</u> Public walkway east of John R and north of Big Beaver, Abutting 3512 Euclid on the north and 3506 Euclid on the south, Section 24, Currently Zoned R-1C (One Family Residential) District (abutting properties)

The applicants Charles and Rebecca Snell (3512 Euclid) and Theresa Brown (3506 Euclid) seek to vacate the public walkway located between their properties. The platted public walkway is 15 feet wide and approximately 125 feet in length. The applicants propose to vacate the public walkway in its entirety.

The public walkway was provided on the site plan when Beaver Creek Subdivision was platted in 1992. The pathway was never constructed. At the time, the property to the east was undeveloped. Preliminary Site Plan Approval was granted for Tuscany Estates Site Condominium on April 10, 2012 and the 11-unit project has been constructed. A detention basin was constructed to the east of the platted pathway but a pathway was not provided in the abutting development. The existing public walkway has become unnecessary.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on this item on April 13, 2021 and recommended approval of the rezoning by a 9-0 vote.

A City Council public hearing has been scheduled for July 12, 2021.

Attachments:

- 1. Maps.
- 2. Agenda item from April 13, 2021 Planning Commission Regular meeting.
- 3. Minutes from April 13, 2021 Planning Commission Regular meeting (excerpt).

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TO: Planning Commission

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#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### Name of applicant(s):

The applicants are Charles and Rebecca Snell of 3512 Euclid and Theresa Brown of 3506 Euclid.

#### History of Right of Way:

Beaver Creek Subdivision was platted in 1992. There was a 15-foot wide public walkway provided between 3512 Euclid and 3506 Euclid. The pathway was never constructed. At the time, the property to the east was undeveloped. Preliminary Site Plan Approval was granted for Tuscany Estates Site Condominium on April 10, 2012 and the 11-unit project has been constructed. A detention basin was constructed to the east of the platted pathway but a pathway was not provided in the abutting development. The existing public walkway has become unnecessary.

#### Length and width of right of way.

The platted public walkway is 15 feet wide and approximately 125 feet in length. The applicants propose to vacate the public walkway in its entirety.

### ANALYSIS

<u>Reason for street vacation (as stated on the Street/Alley Vacation Application):</u> The application states the following: "Access to detention pond is available via Sienna and access from Euclid is no longer needed"

Impact on access to existing lots or buildings (including emergency service vehicles): Access to abutting properties will not be affected by vacation of this portion of the alley.

#### Impact on Utilities

There is a 12-inch underground sanitary sewer line within the platted pathway, as well as a 24inch underground stormwater line within an easement just to the north of the platted pathway. Easements must be maintained for underground utilities. Furthermore, no buildings or structures may be constructed within these easements.

#### Future Land Use Designation:

The area is designated on the Future Land Use Plan as Single Family Residential.

### PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

The Planning Department recommends approval of the street vacation request as submitted, subject to the following:

- 1. City shall retain an easement for underground utilities.
- 2. No structures or buildings shall be constructed within the easement.

Attachments:

- 1. Maps
- 2. Plat drawing of Beaver Creek Subdivision
- 3. Application
- 4. Letter of support

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**CITY OF TROY** STREET / ALLEY VACATION APPLICA **CITY OF TROY PLANNING DEPARTMENT** VACATION APPLICATION FEE 500 W. BIG BEAVER \$500.00 TROY, MICHIGAN 48084 248-524-3364 ESCROW FEE E-MAIL: planning@troymi.gov \$1,500.00 REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION ARE HELD ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL. PLEASE COMPLETE AND FILE TWO (2) SIGNED ORIGINAL APPLICATIONS, TOGETHER WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEE, NOT LESS THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THAT MEETING. TO THE CITY COUNCIL: I (WE), THE UNDERSIGNED, DO HEREBY RESPECTFULLY PETITION AND MAKE APPLICATION TO THE TROY CITY COUNCIL FOR VACATION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OR EASEMENT WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: Easement/ROW between 3512 Euclid (20-24-276-005) and 3506 Euclid (20-24-278-001). APPLICANT(S) FOR VACATION: NAME Charles Snell Rebecca Snell NAME Theresa Brown COMPANY COMPANY ADDRESS 3512 Euclid ADDRESS 3506 Eucli CITY Trov STATE MI ZIP 48083 CITY Trov STATE MIZIP 48083 TELEPHONE (248) TELEPHONE 248. 854.6590 9-9250 E-MAIL charles. A. Snell@gmail.com E-MAIL ChERESA BROWN 2@ SBackhal NET ADDRESS(S) AND/OR PARCEL NUMBER(S) OF PROPERTY OWNED BY APPLICANT(S) WHICH ABUTS OR INCLUDES THE AREA FOR WHICH VACATION IS REQUESTED: 88-20-24-278-001 16-005 THIS REQUEST FOR VACATION IS MADE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON(S): Access to dentention Siena and access from Euclid is no aVail Via Attach additional informational pages if necessary. need ATTACH A MAP INDICATING THE AREA FOR WHICH VACATION IS REQUESTED, THE LOCATION OF THE APPLICANT(S) PROPERTY AND OTHER ABUTTING PROPERTIES. (1"=200' minimum scale) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT/S DATE 9



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To the members of the Troy Planning Commission,

My wife, Patti and I have no objection to the vacation of the easement between 3512 and 3506 Euclid.

It is not necessary to provide either a fire route or an access point for maintaining the drainage basin at its eastern end. Furthermore it serves no legitimate use as a public walkway as at its eastern end people would be encouraged to trespass on either private property or a dry reservoir which is not an appropriate place to walk around: wet or dry.

As a right of way this property represents both a cost and potential liability without conferring a tangible benefit to the citizens of Troy.

Thank You for considering our perspective,

Matt Prop. Patrick Pryor.

Matt and Patti Pryor 38145 Dequindre (2 lots SE of the right of way) Troy, Mi 48083 (248)709-0383

PS Your Public Notice states this location as being west of John R. I am assuming you are referring the houses at 3512 and 3506 Euclid west of Dequindre (therefore east of John R).

## STREET VACATION

PUBLIC HEARING - STREET VACATION REQUEST (File Number SV2020-001)

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Mr. Savidant reviewed the street vacation application and referenced aerial photos within the agenda packet. He explained why the existing public walkway has become unnecessary between 3512 Euclid and 3506 Euclid, and access to the detention area is available via Sienna.

Mr. Savidant said the Planning Department recommends approval of the street vacation request as submitted with conditions that the City shall retain an easement for underground utilities and no structures or buildings shall be constructed within the easement.

Applicant Charles Snell was present. Mr. Snell asked the Board's support in granting the street vacation. He said there is frequent pedestrian traffic along the pathway and *Private Property, No Trespassing* signs are in place to mitigate the nuisance.

After a brief discussion and a show of hands, it was the consensus of the Board to act upon the street vacation request this evening.

### PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

Mr. Savidant reported the following email message was received and provided to Board members in their agenda packet.

• Matt and Patti Pryor, 38145 Dequindre; in support.

Ms. Ferencz reported no voicemail messages were received.

### PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

#### *Resolution # PC-2021-04-025*

Moved by: Rauch Support by: Lambert

**RESOLVED**, That the Planning Commission hereby recommends to the City Council that the street vacation request, as submitted, for a public walkway located west of John R and north of Big Beaver, approximately 15 feet wide by 125 feet in length, abutting lots 12 and 13 of Beaver Creek Subdivision, Section 24, be approved, subject to the following:

1. An easement shall be maintained for underground utilities.

2. No buildings or structures may be constructed over the easements.

Yes: All present (9)

## MOTION CARRIED