

Planning Commission Minutes  
October 24, 2024

(The agenda was filed with the City Clerk of The City of Oklahoma City at 7:35 a.m. on October 21, 2024)

5. (CE-1129) Application by SFR-WR, LLC, to close a portion of the north-south alley in Block One (1) of Northwest Heights Addition, west of North Olie Avenue, and south of NW 67th Street. Ward 2.

The applicant was present. There were no protestors present.

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.**

MOVED BY POWERS, SECONDED BY NEWMAN

AYES: CLAIR, POWERS, MEEK, PRIVETT, NEWMAN, GOVIN, NOBLE,  
LAFORGE

ABSENT: PENNINGTON



**STAFF REPORT**  
**The City of Oklahoma City**  
**Planning Commission**  
**October 24, 2024**

**Item No. IV. 5.**

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**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

**A. Contacts**

**Applicant's Representative**

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Williams, Box, Forshee & Bullard, P.C.  
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**B. Case History**

This is a new application.

**C. Reason for Request**

The purpose of this request is to close the east half of a 20-foot wide, platted public alley for future development.

**D. Existing Conditions**

**1. Zoning and Land Use**

	<b>Subject Site</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>West</b>
<b>Zoning</b>	SPUD-1602	C-3	SPUD-1602	I-2	C-3
<b>Land Use</b>	Undeveloped	Restaurant	Undeveloped	Parking	Restaurant

**2. Comprehensive Plan Land Use Typology Area: Urban – Medium (UM)**

UM applies to fully urbanized areas of the city, most of which were built prior to the 1960s. Developments are expected to be larger in scale and have greater intensity and mixture of uses than developments found in UL. Development within UM areas should support efficient transit usage and provide pedestrian and bicycle access to retail, services, parks, and other destinations. Priorities for the UM areas include “infill” developments on vacant lots, rehabilitation of underutilized property, and development

## **II. REVIEW COMMENTS**

This application was submitted to the following agencies, departments, and/or divisions for review and comment. An asterisk \* indicates that the agency, department, and/or division responded with no adverse comments.

### **A. Outside Agencies**

- 1. Oklahoma City-County Health Department (OCCHD)**
- 2. Oklahoma City Urban Renewal Authority (OCURA)**
- 3. Oklahoma Gas and Electric (OGE)**
- 4. Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB)**
- 5. School District Oklahoma City**
- 6. Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT)**
- 7. Oklahoma Natural Gas (ONG)**
- 8. Oklahoma Electric Cooperative (OEC)**

### **B. City Departments**

- 1. Airports**
- 2. Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority (COTPA)**
- 3. Fire (OCFD) \***
- 4. Information Technology/Geographic Support (IT/GIS)**
- 5. Parks and Recreation**
- 6. Police (OCPD)**

**7. Public Works**

**a. Engineering**

A perpetual easement for water and wastewater, drainage, storm water, sidewalks, and traffic controls systems (collectively “City systems”) are hereby expressly reserved until such time as plans have been approved by the Public Works and Utilities departments, respectively, which plans must include new executed and recorded easements, as necessary, before each individual easement may be released.

**Storm Sewer Availability \***

**8. Streets, Traffic and Drainage Maintenance**

**9. Stormwater Quality Management**

**10. Traffic Services \***

**11. Utilities**

**a. Wastewater Comments**

1. There is an existing 8” wastewater line in the proposed closure. Will need to retain easement until line is relocated or demo.

**b. Water Comments**

1. No waterlines in the proposed closure.

**c. Solid Waste Management**

No Solid Waste Management services needed.

**12. Planning**

**a. Comprehensive Plan Considerations**

**1) LUTA Development Policies:**

Site Design, Building Form, and Location

- Maintain historical lot and block sizes where possible and appropriate.

Automobile Connectivity

- Maintain and enhance the connectivity of the street network.
- Protect existing traditional street grid and reconnect it where possible.
- Keep alleys open and functional.

**2) Other Development Related Policies**

- Maintain existing alleys or construct new alleys where feasible to provide trash collection service and parking behind primary buildings and minimize curb cuts along the primary street frontage. (C-8)
- Maintain historical lot and block sizes where possible and appropriate. (C-9)
- Maintain the traditional grid street pattern where it currently exists, reconnect it where possible, and keep alleys open and functioning. (C-10)
- Improve the functionality and efficiency of the street network by:
- Providing direct connections from residential developments to nearby places and to each other.

**3) Other Considerations - Retail Priority Corridor**

Retail nodes and corridors seek to develop a robust retail sector to generate sales tax levels and growth to fund quality services for the City. In addition, residents and businesses need healthy retail nodes and corridors to meet their needs for goods and services and to enhance the quality of surrounding neighborhoods. The comprehensive plan designates the Western Avenue corridor as a Retail Priority Area under the “Revitalize” policy framework which calls for strengthening retail uses through filling vacant space, landscape and beautification efforts, façade programs, business coordination and the introduction of new complementary land uses.

Other applicable policies under this framework relevant to the subject site include:

- Ensure good street connectivity between and within existing and future centers, and retrofit for connectivity as appropriate.
- Create or enhance pedestrian connections between buildings and centers.
- Limit or reduce curb cuts by encouraging shared entrances.

**b. Plan Conformance Considerations**

The application seeks to close the eastern 10 feet of the 20-foot platted north-south alley located along Lots 1-6 within Block 1 of Northwest Heights Addition to Oklahoma City (1908). The subject site is generally located south of NW 67th Street, between North Western Avenue and North Olive Avenue. The portion of the alley requested to be closed is not improved or currently used by the public.

The comprehensive plan calls for keeping alleys open and functional. In this case, the alley is requested to be closed for the purpose of future development. The subject site is adjacent to SPUD-1602 which was approved in April 2024 for multifamily development and would become the zoning of the property should the easement be closed and vacated. The closure would allow the property owner to own and secure the entire development area. A sewer line runs near the center of the 20-foot alley, and within the west half of the alley (not included in this application) is a retaining wall and parking for the restaurant that fronts North Western Avenue. A utility easement will be reserved within the closure area, and any new development is subject to review and approval by the Utilities Dept until/unless the sewer line is relocated and the easement is released.

#### **IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

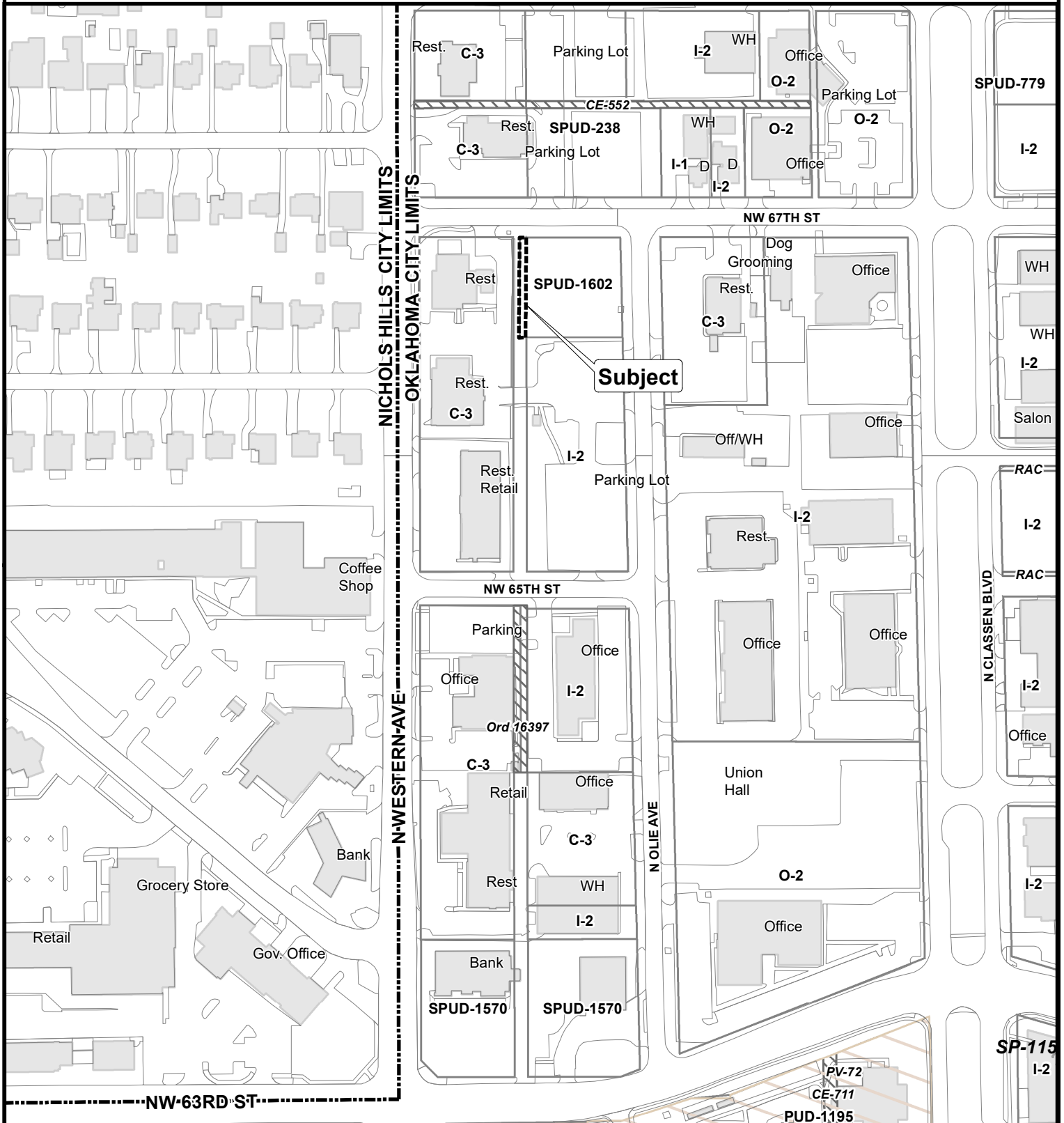
*Staff recommendations are advisory only and do not constitute Planning Commission decisions. Staff recommendations are based on a technical evaluation of information submitted at the time of review. Planning Commission decisions require a vote of five members to approve or deny an item. The Planning Commission may consider in its decision-making process any additional relevant information presented at the public hearing by the public, applicant, and/or City departments.*

##### **Approval of the application.**

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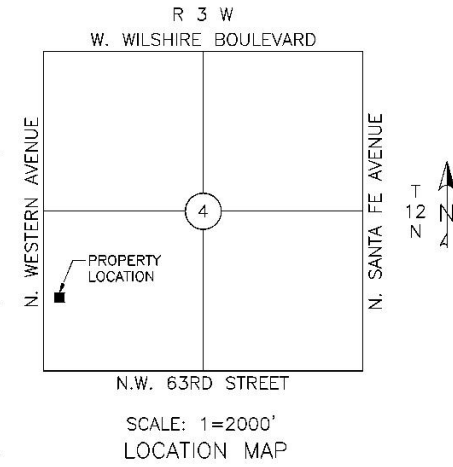
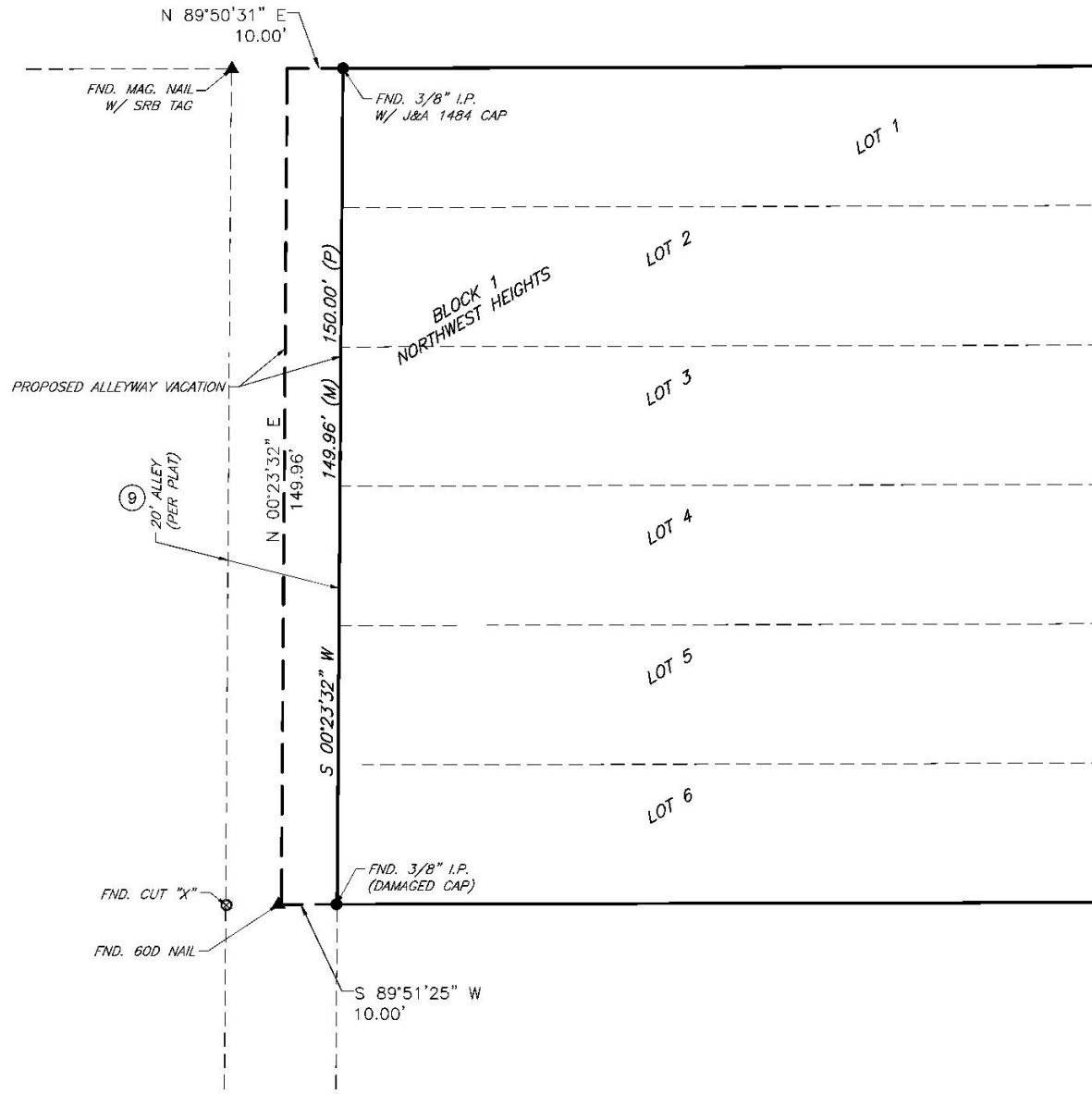
The City of  
OKLAHOMA CITY

## Application for Closing Public Way or Easement



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Feet

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#### ATTACHMENT A

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

AN ALLEYWAY VACATION LYING IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW1/4) OF SECTION FOUR (4), TOWNSHIP TWELVE (12) NORTH, RANGE THREE (3) WEST OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 BLOCK 1 OF NORTHWEST HEIGHT ADDITION TO THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY; THENCE SOUTH 00°23'32\"

SAID DESCRIBED ALLEYWAY VACATION CONTAINS AN AREA OF 1,499.61 SQUARE FEET OR 0.0344 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

ALLEYWAY VACATION  
LOTS 1-6, BLOCK 1  
NORTHWEST HEIGHTS ADD, OKLAHOMA CITY  
OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

DATE	08/22/24	DRAWN BY	TLB
DWG SCALE		CHECKED BY	DAK
PROJECT NO.	309-279		
APPROVED BY			DAK

DRAWING NO.:

EXHIBIT "A"



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C.A. #6429 EXP. 8/30/25



SAN MH  
T/R=1156.39  
FL=1147.89 8" PVC E.  
FL=1147.87 8" PVC S.

SAN MH  
T/R=1156.27  
FL=1147.85 8" PVC N.  
FL=1147.84 8" PVC W.

BM #21  
SET 1/2" IRON PIN  
W/ PINK "CONTROL POINT" CAP  
N=197114.172  
E=2108717.942  
EL=1160.43

N.W. 67th Street

LOCATION OF AT&T FIBER OPTIC  
PER FIELD LOCATE  
(317) 575-7800

LOCATION OF AT&T COMM LINE  
PER FIELD LOCATE  
(317) 575-7800

APPROX LOCATION OF  
6" WATER LINE PER  
OKC ATLAS MAP

FND. MAG. NAIL  
W/ SRB TAG

POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL LAND  
PER PROPOSED ALLEY  
CLOSURE AND VACATION  
WITH UTILITY EASEMENT  
RIGHTS RETAINED SHOWN  
FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES  
ONLY.

Alley  
highlighted  
in gray

20' ALLEY  
(PER PLAT)

FND. 3/8" I.P.  
W/ J&A 1484 CAP

SAN MH  
T/R=1157.06  
FL=1147.40 8" PVC N.  
FL=1147.32 8" PVC S.

FND. 3/8" I.P.  
W/ J&A 1484 CAP

BLOCK 1  
NORTHWEST HEIGHTS

21,569 SQ. FT.  
OR 0.4952 ACRES +/-

APPROX LOCATION OF  
6" WATER LINE PER  
OKC ATLAS MAP

ADDITIONAL  
PARKING  
SIGN

FND. CUT "X"

FND. 600 NAIL

FND. 3/8" I.P.  
(UNMAILED CAP)

ADDITIONAL  
PARKING  
SIGN

FND. 3/8" I.P.  
(NO CAP)

LOCATION OF ONG LINE  
PER FIELD LOCATE  
(800) 778-9140



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Aerial Photo from 2/2022



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