

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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Agenda Date: March 8, 2023

In Control: Planning Commission Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Public Works Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Razi Hosseini

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 5

SUBJECT:

Real Estate Disposition: Closure of an unimproved portion of Elvira Street Public Right-of-Way

SUMMARY:

A resolution recommending the closure, vacation and abandonment of an unimproved portion of Elvira Street Public Right-of-Way within New City Block 2436 in Council District 5, as requested by San Antonio Alternative Housing Corporation, with the consideration fee being waived for meeting the affordability guidelines of the COSA Fee Waiver Program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

San Antonio Alternative Housing Corporation (Petitioner) is requesting to close, vacate and abandon an unimproved portion of Elvira Street Public Right-of-Way within New City Block 2436 in City Council District 5. The public right-of-way closure consists of 0.0696 acre (3,030 square feet). If approved, Petitioner plans to construct thirty (30) affordable housing units, defined as housing units rented to households with incomes at or below sixty percent (60%) of the area

median income. The petitioner has acquired all abutting owner signatures needed.

City Departments and utilities were canvassed and approved with standard conditions. Petitioner has agreed to all the conditions. The Historic Westside Neighborhood Association was canvassed but did not respond. In compliance with Chapter 37 of the City Code, Section 37-11 (e), notification signs and letters are not necessary for undeveloped public right-of-way.

ISSUE:

This resolution recommends the closure, vacation and abandonment of an unimproved portion of Elvira Street Public Right-of-Way within New City Block 2436 in Council District 5, as requested by San Antonio Alternative Housing Corporation, with the consideration fee being waived for meeting the affordability guidelines of the COSA Fee Waiver Program.

If approved, Petitioner plans to construct thirty (30) affordable housing units, defined as housing units rented to households with incomes at or below sixty percent (60%) of the area median income.

This action is consistent with City Code and Ordinances, which requires City Council approval for the sale or disposition of City-owned or controlled real property.

ALTERNATIVES:

Planning Commission could choose not to approve this request; however, Petitioner will not be able to build thirty (30) affordable housing units.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this request to close, vacate and abandon an unimproved portion of Elvira Street Public Right-of-Way in Council District 5.