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To: Planning and Zoning Commission
From: April Limburg, City Planner
Date: August 27, 2021
Re: Right of Way Vacation – PZVROW-11

INTRODUCTION: The City of Muscatine has filed for the vacation of right of way comprising the alley located between 1248 E 5th St and 1300 E 5th St.

BACKGROUND: The City of Muscatine has filed for the vacation of the right of way comprising between 1248 E 5th St and 1300 E 5th St. The intent, if the request is approved by the City Council, of the City of Muscatine to deed the vacated right of way to the adjacent property owners. The alley is currently improved and open to traffic. The approval of this vacation would permanently close this alley to traffic.

The property owner at 1300 E 5th St would like to rebuild the current retaining wall which has been hit several times along with adding to his current green space.

The property owner at 1248 E 5th would also like to add to her current green space.

Out of the three alleys along E 5th St to Park Ave, this alley is in the worst shape.

Adjacent property owner letters were sent to all residences on both sides of Munn St, Lee St, Begg St, E 5th St from 1242 to 1410, E 4th St from 1200 to 1214, Parmalee St to the alley, and Brooks St from 213 to 410 (64 residences)

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE: Staff recommends approval of this request. The right of way being proposed for vacation serve no useful public purpose. Vacating and deed of the of the right of way to the adjacent property owners will be benefit the community by allowing to enhances the appearance of the area and grows the tax base.

Legal description of the Right of Way being requested to be vacated:

ALL THAT PART OF THE NORTH – SOUTH ALLEY LYING BETWEEN THE EAST TWO-THIRDS OF LOT ONE (1) IN BLOCK FIVE (5) OF BROGAN’S ADDITION AND LOT 5 IN BLOCK 6 OF BROGAN’S ADDITION TO THE CIT OF MUSCATINE, IN MUSCATINE COUNTY, IOWA.



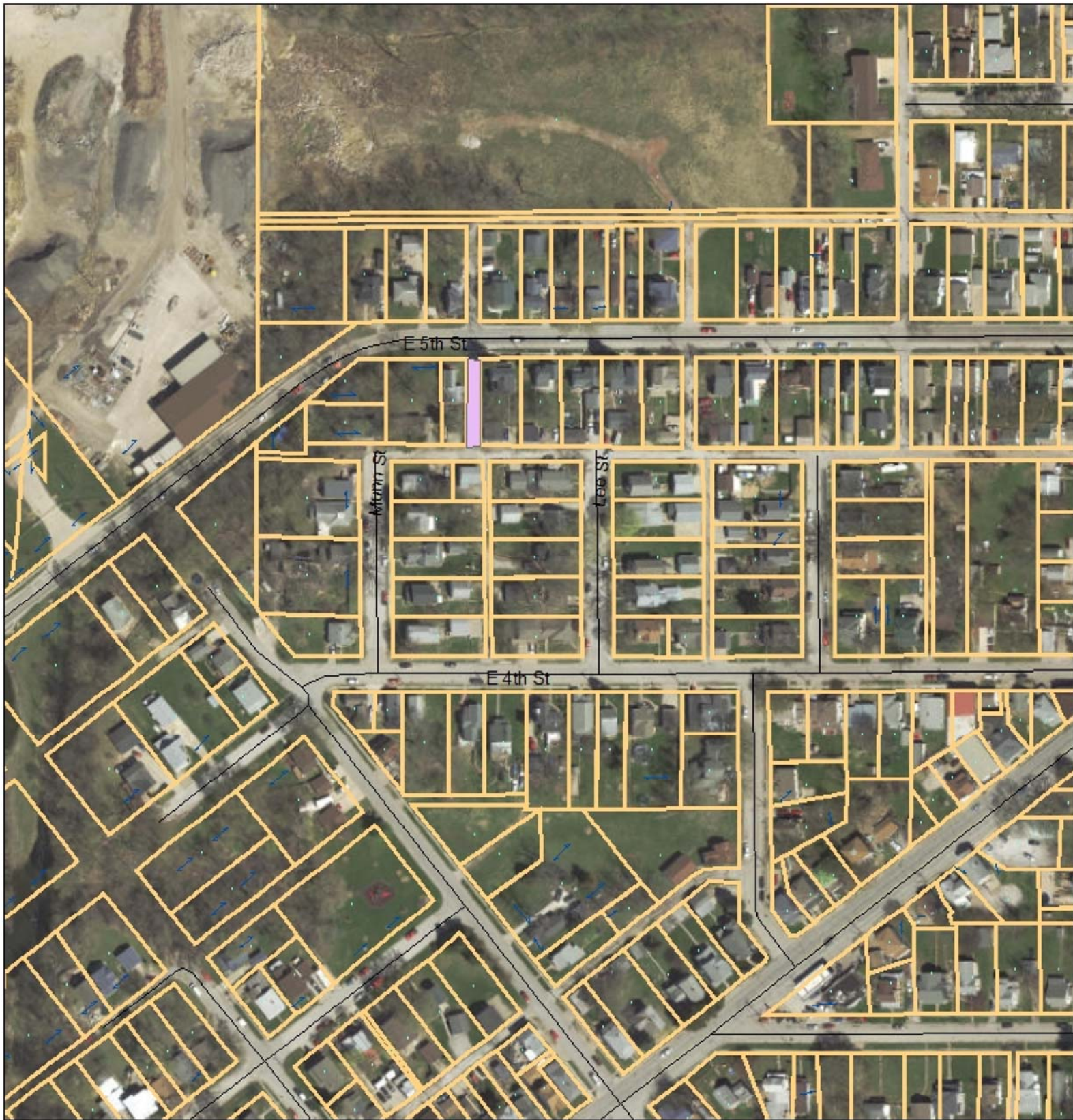
1st alley at E 5th St – this is the alley to be vacated



2nd alley at E 5th St – this alley to remain open



3rd alley at E 5th St – this alley to remain open



Legend

-  ROW
-  Parcels

PZROWV-11 E 5th Street Alley between
1248 E 5th St and 1300 E 5th St

