

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION CITY OF KNOXVILLE CLOSURE OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

▶ FILE #: 12-A-14-AC AGENDA ITEM #: 6

AGENDA DATE: 12/11/2014

► APPLICANT: UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

TAX ID NUMBER: 108 C J 013

JURISDICTION: Council District 1

SECTOR PLAN: Central City

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits)

ZONING: O-2 (Civic and Institutional)

WATERSHED: Third Creek

► RIGHT-OF-WAY TO BE

CLOSED:

Unnamed alley

► LOCATION: Between Twentieth Street and Twenty Second Street

IS ALLEY:

(1) IN USE?: No

(2) IMPROVED (paved)?: No

► APPLICANT'S REASON FOR CLOSURE:

This alley has actually been closed for years and runs along the front edge of Andy Holt Towers. The University is working closely with the City of Knoxville, identifying these type of discrepancies, and is

operating through proper channels to formally close this alley.

DEPARTMENT-UTILITY

REPORTS:

No objections from any departments or utilities have been received by staff

as of the date of this report.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

► RECOMMEND that City Council APPROVE the closure of the unnamed alley, as requested, subject to any required easements.

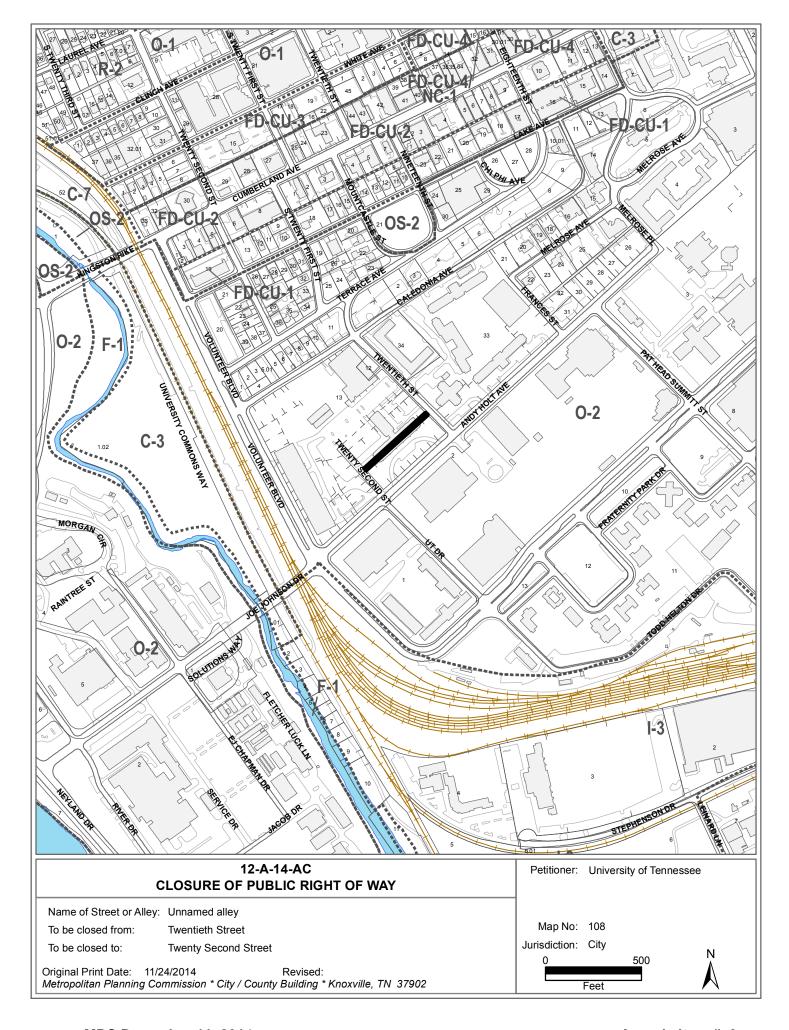
Staff has heard no objections to this proposed alley closure.

COMMENTS:

The result of UT's proposed closures of this and four other streets/alleys within the campus will be that the University will take over ownership and maintenance of the streets from the City of Knoxville. It does not necessarily mean that the streets would be closed to traffic or that the street names would be changed, but those decisions would become the responsibility of UT. UT owns all of the properties adjacent to the subject street. Staff has not heard from any opposition to this closure as of the date of this report. This particular alley actually runs through the front of Andy Holt Towers.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knoxville City Council for action on 1/6/2015 and 1/20/2015. If denied, MPC's action is final, unless the action to deny is appealed to Knoxville City Council. The date of the appeal hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal an MPC decision in the City.

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CITY OF KNOXVILLE



Engineering
James R. Hagerman, P.E.
Director of Engineering

November 26, 2014

Mr. Mike Brusseau, AICP, Senior Planner Knoxville-Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission City-County Building, Suite 403 Knoxville, Tennessee 37902

SUBJECT: Closure of an unnamed alley between Twentieth St and Twenty Second St

MPC File # 12-A-14-AC; City Block 10582

Mr. Brusseau:

The City Engineering Department has no objections to close the above reference right-of-way area. However, should this right-of-way be closed, the applicant assumes maintenance responsibility for all stormwater systems previously maintained by the City, within or near the closure areas. The applicant will maintain the approved stormwater facilities in good working order that would be normally acceptable to the City Department of Engineering. Minimum maintenance of the said facilities shall include sediment, debris, oil, hydrocarbons, and foreign materials removal so that the operation and capacity of the stormwater facilities continue to meet acceptable standards.

Sincerely,

Benjamin D. Davidson, PLS, Technical Services Administrator, Department of Engineering

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November 21, 2014

Mr. Mike Brusseau Knoxville-Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission Suite 403, City-County Building Knoxville, Tennessee 37902



Dear Mr. Brusseau:

Re: Right-of-Way Closure Request 12-A-14-AC

Block No. 10582 CLT No. 108 Parcel No. 13

We have reviewed our records and find that we have existing utility facilities located within the subject right-of-way. The approximate location of these facilities is indicated on the enclosed prints. However, KUB does not release and hereby retains all easements and rights for existing utility facilities, whether or not shown on these prints.

Should this right-of-way be closed, KUB will require the following permanent easement for its utility facility.

Electric – 10 feet on each side of the centerline of the electric line – 20 Sewer – 7.5 feet on each side of the centerline of the wastewater line, 15 feet total width

So long as these conditions are met, KUB has no objection to the closure of this right-of-way. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me at (865) 558-2291.

Sincerely,

Greg L. Patterson, P.E.

Engineering

GLP/ggt

Enclosure

