



## Planning and Development Services

# Petition PB-15-63 SVA

**City Commission  
November 5, 2015**

(Legistar No. 150350)

Presentation by D. Henrichs

# Location



- The purpose of this request is to vacate the right-of-way of an unimproved alley (0.105 acre)
- Located between SW 7<sup>th</sup> Terrace and SW 6<sup>th</sup> Street.
- The remainder of this originally platted alley right-of-way has been previously vacated by the City in 1972.

# Location & Background



- The right-of-way to be vacated is 22 feet wide and approximately 206 feet in length.
- Not improved and is not utilized for public access.
- Large trees and site improvements (parking areas) exist within or closely adjacent to this section of right-of-way.
- Vacation of this right-of-way will allow for the future redevelopment of a unified city block.

# Background & Discussion

## Basis for Recommendation

The City Plan Board shall consider the **twelve criteria** in determining whether the public interest will be best served by the proposed action:

- **Whether the public benefits from the use of the subject right-of-way as part of the City street system.**
- **Whether the proposed action is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan.**
- **The effect of the proposed action on:**
  - **traffic circulation,**
  - **crime,**
  - **safety of pedestrians and vehicular traffic,**
  - **the provision of municipal services,**
  - **property values,**
  - **geographic areas that may be impacted, and**
  - **on the design and character of the neighborhood.**

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### **9. The necessity to relocate utilities, both public and private.**

There are existing electric lines overhead and underground along SW 7<sup>th</sup> Terrace (easement shown on the south side from pole 14747 to pole 28445) These lines may be relocated with the redevelopment on the adjacent properties, and so a permanent utility easement will not be necessary.

Gainesville Regional Utilities is requesting that the existing public utility easement be retained until the overhead and underground electric lines are relocated and out of service.

# Staff Recommendation

**Approved by Plan Board on August 27, 2015  
with staff condition:**

**Retained existing public utility easement until the overhead  
and underground electric line is relocated and out of service.**

**Staff recommends City Commission to  
approval with staff condition.**