

City of Gainesville

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Legislation Text

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Legislative Matter No. 980872. (Quasi-Judicial) Petition No. 218SVA-98 PB, Paul West Ford, Inc. Pursuant to Sec. 30-192(b) of the Gainesville Land Development Code, to vacate, abandon and close that portion of city right-of-way lying east of North Main Street, west of tax parcel number 8231-60, north of tax parcel number 8231-50 and south of additional city right-of-way lying east of North Main Street and west of the North Main Street Commercial Park.

This is a request to vacate a 35- foot-wide strip of City right-of-way running parallel to the west property line of tax parcel number 8231-60. This tax parcel is occupied by the Paul West Ford car dealership, located at 3333 North Main Street. With the exception of two paved driveway connections, the subject right-of-way is predominantly pervious. It is abutted on the west by county right-of-way, which consists of a grassed strip approximately seven feet in width; a five-foot wide concrete sidewalk, and North Main Street.

The petitioner is presently using the subject right-of-way, and part of the adjoining county right-of-way, for the outdoor storage and display of automobiles. As indicated on the application to vacate public right-of-way, the purpose of this request is to provide the petitioner vehicular and pedestrian access from North Main Street. According to documentation provided by the petitioner, the City Public Works Department issued a Right-of-Way Use Permit to Paul West Ford, Inc., in May of 1998. The permit allows the petitioner to maintain two existing driveway connections at the Paul West Ford car dealership for vehicular and pedestrian access to North Main Street.

The Plan Board reviewed the petition and recommends denial of the petition. The Board denied the petition because the subject right-of-way is needed in its entirety to execute the North Main Street tree planting plan. Maintenance of the subject right-of-way will not deprive the petitioner of access from Main Street, since access is allowed under the permit issued by the City Public Works Department in May of 1998.

Public notice was published in the Gainesville Sun on January 5, 1999. Letters were mailed to surrounding property owners on January 6, 1999. The Plan Board held a public hearing January 21, 1999.

None

City Plan Board to City Commission - The City Commission deny Petition 218SVA-98 PB. Plan Board vote 7-0

Staff to Plan Board - Deny