ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 15

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING ALL OF THE PUBLIC DRAINAGE EASEMENT LYING WITHIN A 20 FT WIDE STRIP NORTH AND ADJACENT TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE NATURAL GAS PIPELINE COMPANY OF AMERICA AND LYING BETWEEN THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF JANET STREET AND THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 67-167

WHEREAS, Taylor Farms, LLC being the adjoining landowner of the public drainage easement more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference (the "Drainage Easement") and having filed a Petition asking the Searcy City Council to vacate and abandon said Drainage Easement; and

WHEREAS, said landowner represents that the Drainage Easement has not actually been used by the public for at least five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the petitioner owns all of the adjoining real property to the Drainage Easement; and

WHEREAS, after due notice as required by law, the Searcy City Council has, at the time and place mentioned in the notice, heard all persons desiring to be heard on the question and has ascertained that the easement sought to be vacated and abandoned had heretofore been dedicated to the public but has not been actually used by the public for a period of time of at least five (5) years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SEARCY, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Searcy, Arkansas, hereby releases, vacates, and abandons all of its rights, together with the rights of the public generally, to the Drainage Easement as shown on the Vacation Plat attached hereto as Exhibit B. That the same be and hereby is abandoned and vacated as a public drainage way and that the fee simple title thereto be, and hereby is, vested in said landowner as the abutting property owner, its successors and assigns.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this Ordinance, duly certified by the City Clerk of the City of Searcy, Arkansas shall be recorded in the office of the Recorder of White County, Arkansas.

SECTION 3. The City Council finds that in light of the need to provide for the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the Citizens of Searcy, Arkansas, an emergency exists and that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon the passage of this ordinance and this emergency clause.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14th DAY OF MARCH, 2023

/s/ Mat Faulkner Mayor of Searcy

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris

City Clerk

EXHIBIT A: LEGAL DESCRIPTION.

An easement for drainage purposes being a part of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 13, T-7-N, R-7-W, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a found ½" rebar (PS #1737) at the intersection of the East right of way line of Janet Street (AKA Janet Drive) and the Southern right of way line of Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (NGPCA) Per Case No. LR-66-C-160; thence N01°14'41"E along the East right of way line of Janet Street a distance of 22.81 to a set ½" rebar (capped PS #1737); thence N01°19'19"E along said right of way line a distance of 58.27 feet to a point at the intersection of said East right of way line of Janet Street and the Northerly right of way line of Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (NGPCA) Per Case No. LR-66-C-160 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing along said right of way of Janet Street, N01°19'19"E a distance of 32.45 feet to a calculated point; thence departing from said right of way line, N68°58'26"E a distance of 90.59 feet to a calculated point; thence S21°01'34"E a distance of 105.00 feet to a calculated point on the Southern right of way line of Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (NGPCA) Per Case No. LR-66-C-160; thence along said right of way line, S68°58'26"W a distance of 35.00 feet to a calculated point; thence departing from said right of way line, N21°01'34"W a distance of 75.00 feet to a calculated point on the Northern right of way line of Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (NGPCA) Per Case No. LR-66-C-160; thence S68°58'00"W along said Northern right of way line a distance of 67.93 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.13 Acres, more or less, as shown on survey by PS #1737. Subject to all existing easements for roads or other purposes.

EXHIBIT B: VACATION PLAT.

