City Council – Action Request Form

Date:	February 9, 2021
To:	Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council
From:	Damon Dequenne, Assistant City Manager Robert Prestwood, City Engineer

Council Action Requested:
Petition to Close and Abandon a portion of Right-of-Way at the intersection of N. Main Street and N. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive (East Ward) – Petition of Wildfire LLC

Strategic Focus Area: Quality Transportation
Strategic Objective: No
Strategic Plan Action Item: No
Key Work Item: No

Summary of Information:
The City of Winston-Salem has received a petition from Wildfire LLC, to close and abandon a portion of right-of-way at the intersection of N. Main Street and N. Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive. This portion of right-of-way was the old alignment of N. Main Street and additional property that was purchased for the construction of MLK. This portion of right-of-way will be split based off of property ownership prior to MLK being constructed. The area is bounded on the west by N. Liberty Street, on the north by N. Martin Luther King Jr Drive, to the east by Norfolk Southern Railway and to the south by the old alignment of Liberty Street that was closed by City Council October 19, 2020.

The Public Works Department has reviewed the request. There are no Planning or Winston-Salem Department of Transportation concerns if this right-of-way is closed. No property owner would be denied access to their property if this petition is approved. There are public utilities located in this right-of-way, with which the City would need to retain easements. Sanitation services will not be interrupted.

Staff recommends approval of the petitioner's request to close and abandon a portion of right-of-way at the intersection of N. Main Street and N. Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive.

Committee Action:

Committee	Public Works 2/9/2021	**Action**	Approval
For	Unanimous	**Against**	

Remarks: