

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: April 12, 2022

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Aaron King, Assistant City Manager
Robert Prestwood, City Engineer

Council Action Requested:

Consideration of a Petition to Close and Abandon a Portion of Helen Avenue (Northeast Ward) – Petition of Thomas Sekits

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 Thomas Sekits to close and abandon a portion of Helen Avenue. The area petitioned for closure is an unopened 30-foot platted right-of-way that extends southeast from Helen Avenue and is approximately 376 feet in length. It is bounded on north by Tax PIN's 6838-41-7535, 6838-41-6656, and 6838-41-6715 and on the south by Tax Pin's 6838-41-8327, 6838-41-6378, 6838-41-5552, and 6838-41-4663.

The Public Works Department has reviewed the request. There are no Planning concerns if this right-of-way is closed. WSDOT recommends not closing the right-of-way because closing the right-of-way will limit future developments' ability to create internal connectivity. There are overhead utility lines in this right-of-way so easements will need to be retained. Sanitation services will not be interrupted.

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>Public Works 4/12/22</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>

Remarks: