



February 20, 2020

Karina Ricks, Director
Department of Mobility & Infrastructure
301 City-County Building
414 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

RE: Port Authority of Allegheny County Request for Partial Vacation of Summerlea Street

Director Ricks,

Port Authority of Allegheny County ("Port Authority") hereby requests that the City of Pittsburgh approve the vacation of a portion of Summerlea Street adjacent to Port Authority's Negley Station, located along the Martin Luther King, Jr. East Busway, in order to facilitate a Negley Station renovation project. In support of this request, Port Authority encloses: (1) the completed Vacation Application; (2) a notarized Petition signed by Port Authority, as the only abutting property owner; (3) surveys and drawings that depict the location of the property that Port Authority requests the City of Pittsburgh vacate; and (4) an undated check in the amount of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars and no Cents (\$150.00) made payable to Treasurer, City of Pittsburgh.

As you know, Port Authority Planning staff led the process to develop a station area plan for Negley Station in 2017. With technical expertise from consultants and experiential expertise from neighborhood residents, Port Authority developed a plan that calls for a redesigned station, among other improvements to the rider experience. Our plans to take a patch of deteriorating concrete at the end of a street and turn it into a safe and welcoming public space will be greatly enhanced by expanding the existing sidewalk into the existing right of way to create a visible and comfortable plaza. A conceptual plan and technical site plan are attached for your reference.

In anticipation of this formal request, Port Authority has reviewed its plans with Councilperson Erika Strassburger, Standard Realty (at the Councilperson's request), and staff at the Department of Mobility & Infrastructure. I have been assured that none of these parties have any objections or concerns regarding the proposed vacation.

Port Authority looks forward to continuing to work with your Department to facilitate further improvements to our City's transportation infrastructure. Please direct any questions regarding this application to Breen Masciotra, Manager of Transit-Oriented Communities, at bmasciotra@portauthority.org or 412-566-5158.

Sincerely,

Katharine Kelleman Chief Executive Officer

To the Council of the City of Pittsburgh

Gentlemen:

Port Authority of Allegheny County (Port Authority), through its authorized representative (the undersigned), being the only the property owner in interest and number, abutting upon the line of:

Lot & Block & Address of applicant property: 51-M-304, 51-R-352-0-1, and 84-J-145 (Please Print) Lot & Block & Address of abutting property:

Respectfully petition Your Honorable body for the passage of a resolution vacating or encroaching on the above listed right-of-way and in consideration of the premises, and for the purposes of inducing the corporate authorities of said City to enact a resolution for said purpose, Port Authority does hereby stipulate, covenant and agree to release and forever discharge, said City from any and all claims for damages whatsoever which Port Authority may, might, or could have, or claim, for any reason of the vacation or encroachment of said public highway between said terminal points; and Port Authority further agrees to indemnify, save harmless and defend said City from any claims and from the payment of any damages whatsoever resulting to any property owned by Port Authority, or by any persons whatsoever, abutting or non-abutting, for or by reason of said vacation or encroachment, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

Port Authority further waives the right to ask for the appointment of Viewers to ascertain and assess any damages causes by such vacation or encroachment, and in the event of any Viewers' proceeding being made necessary for or by reason of the passage of such resolution, Port Authority does hereby jointly and severally agree and bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to pay or cause to be paid to the Treasurer of said City all the costs and expenses incurred therein, the costs in court, the cost of advertising, handbills and any other expense incurred in such Viewers' proceedings, and that said amount shall be forthwith paid upon the City Solicitor certifying to the City Treasurer the amount of said costs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, as a duly authorized representative on behalf of Port Authority of Allegheny County, I have hereunto set my hand and seal as of the

, A.D. 20

Property Owner: (Please Sign & Print L&B)

(seal)

Applicant: Michael J. Cetra, Chief Legal Officer

Port Authority of Allegheny County

Lot & Block 51-M-304, 51-R-352-0-1, and 84-J-145

NOTARY, City of Pittsburgh

Personally came Michael J. Cetra Chief legal Officer who upon being duly sworn says that he/she is a duly authorized representative of Port Authority of Allegheny County, the sole owner of the property fronting or abutting upon the relevant section of the described highway, and that he/she knows that there are no other owners of property fronting or abutting the relevant section of the within described highway.

Sworn and subscribed before me this

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal Karen G. Dorman, Notary Public Allegheny County My commission expires October 26, 2022

Commission number 1041696

Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries