



City of Greensboro

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Agenda Report

File Number: 2022-808

Agenda Item# H.12.

Agenda Date: 8/16/2022. **Department:** Planning

Meeting Type: Council Meeting **Category:** Public Hearing Agenda

Title: 2022-808 Public Hearing for the Resolution Closing a Portion of Berry Lane from the Southern Right-of-way line for Parkwood Drive Southward a Distance of Approximately 180 Feet to its Terminus. (Elisabeth Borowicz, Joseph Petrack and Anthony Short)

Council Priority: Place an 'x' in the box.

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Council District: District #4

Public Hearing: Yes

Advertising Date/By: August 4 and 11, 2022/by City Clerk

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PURPOSE:

Elisabeth Borowicz, Joseph Petrack and Anthony Short have requested the closing of a portion of Berry Lane. Staff requests that City Council hold a public hearing to receive public comment and to consider adoption of the street closing resolution.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Greensboro has received a street closing petition requesting the closing of Berry Lane from the southern right-of-way line for Parkwood Drive southward a distance of approximately 180 feet to its terminus.

The petition has been signed by the property owners bordering on 100% of the right-of-way.

This street was dedicated as public right-of-way as part of the Westmeade Subdivision in June of 1927 as recorded in Plat Book 21 on Page 42.

BUDGET IMPACT:

There will be no impact on the current or future budgets.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

The Technical Review Committee (TRC) feels circumstances here allow the City to make the two required determinations for a street closing: (1) that closing the street to vehicular traffic is not contrary to the public interest, and (2) that no property owner in the vicinity is deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress.

Therefore, the TRC recommended the closing with two conditions: 1) That the City shall retain 20-foot utility easements over existing utility lines until such time as the lines are no longer needed for public use, and 2) That the existing roadway for Berry Lane is to be disconnected from Parkwood Drive by removing at least ten feet of the existing pavement, installing curb and gutter, and installing sidewalk across its entire width prior to the street closing becoming effective.

The Zoning Commission recommended this closing, with the stated conditions, at its July meeting on a vote of 9-0.

Accordingly, it is recommended that City Council hold a public hearing to receive public comment and to consider adoption of the resolution closing a portion of Berry Lane.