

**City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois**  
**Public Hearing on Proposed Vacation of the Wright Court Right-of-Way**  
**Located in the Bicentennial Industrial Park**  
**April 19, 2005**

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a public hearing on Tuesday, April 19, 2005, in the City Council Chambers, 200 S. Illinois Avenue, for the purpose of soliciting comments on a proposed vacation of the Wright Court right-of-way in the Bicentennial Industrial Park. Mayor Cole called the public hearing to order at 7:08 p.m. with the following-named members of the City Council present/absent:

Present: Councilman Lance Jack, Councilwoman Sheila Simon, Councilwoman Corene McDaniel, Councilwoman Margaret Flanagan, Councilman Chris Wissmann, Councilman Steven Haynes and Mayor Brad Cole

Absent: None

Also present were City Clerk Janet M. Vaught, City Manager Jeff Doherty and various members of the City's administrative staff.

City Manager Doherty noted that the City of Carbondale has requested to vacate the Wright Court right-of-way located in the Bicentennial Industrial Park to facilitate the subdivision of adjoining property for the purchase by a new business wishing to locate in the Industrial Park. The right-of-way is platted but undeveloped. All the owners of the property that adjoins the right-of-way have been notified of the public hearing. Mr. Doherty said that as of the writing of the agenda item, staff had not received any inquiries regarding the vacation request. If the right-of-way is vacated, the property will revert to the adjoining owners located to the east and west of the right-of-way. The City of Carbondale and Venegoni Horrell Distributing Company own the properties to the west of the right-of-way and TET IV LLC (Beck Bus) own all the property to the east of the right-of-way. TET IV LLC has granted a quit claim deed to the City for a portion of the right-of-way that is adjacent to the City-owned property. Some of the vacated right-of-way will be part of the proposed Bicentennial 6th Plat Subdivision which will be reviewed by the Council later in this meeting. Mr Doherty noted that Illinois Compiled Statutes require that a public hearing be held prior to taking any action on vacating public right-of-way. The Statutes require that notice of the Public Hearing be published at least fifteen days prior to the hearing. The notice was published on April 3, 2005. Illinois Compiled Statutes also require the affirmative vote of 3/4 of the members of the City Council to vacate a street or alley right-of-way. An ordinance to consider vacating the Wright Court right-of-way will be considered later on the Council agenda.

Mayor Cole invited comments or questions from the public. There was no one in the audience who indicated a desire to speak on this issue. Mayor Cole twice repeated his invitation for public comments or questions. Again, there was no one who indicated a desire to speak during this public hearing.

There being no further comments or questions at this hearing, Mayor Cole declared the public hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

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Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:

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