

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Public Hearing on Proposed Vacation of a Portion of the North/South
and East/West Alley Adjacent to 508 North Bridge Street
February 8, 2011

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a public hearing on Tuesday, February 8, 2011, in City Council Chambers, 200 S. Illinois Avenue, for the purpose of soliciting comments on the proposed vacation of a north/south and east/west alley adjacent to 508 North Bridge Street. Mayor Cole called the public hearing to order at 7:12 p.m. with the following-named members of the City Council present/absent:

Present: Councilman Michael Neill, Councilman Joel Fritzler, Councilwoman Corene McDaniel, Councilman Chris Wissmann, Councilman Steven Haynes and Mayor Brad Cole

Absent: Councilwoman Mary Pohlmann

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

City Manager Gill noted that Carol Eaton Brandenburg, on behalf of the Coralie Eaton Trust, has requested that the City consider vacating a portion of a north/south and east/west alley adjacent to 508 North Bridge Street. The right-of-way is platted but has not been developed. Appropriate City departments were asked to provide input with regards to the proposed vacation and no objections were raised. If the right-of-way is vacated, the property will revert to the owners located to the east, west, north and south of the right-of-way. Mr. Gill said 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. Additionally, staff sent a letter to the adjoining property owners notifying them of the public hearing. An ordinance vacating the alley and a resolution denying the request to vacate 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 7:14 p.m.

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
