

**City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois**  
**Public Hearing on the Proposed Vacation of an Alley Situated Perpendicular to**  
**South Poplar Street and Parallel to West College Street**  
**January 8, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a public hearing on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, in City Council Chambers, 200 S. Illinois Avenue, for the purpose of soliciting comments on the proposed vacation of an alley situated perpendicular to South Poplar Street and parallel to West College Street. Mayor Fritzler called the public hearing to order at 7:05 p.m. with the following-named members of the City Council present/absent:

Present: Councilman Chris Wissmann, Councilman Donald D. Monty, Councilwoman Jane Adams, Councilman Lance Jack, Councilman Lee M. Fronabarger, Councilwoman Corene McDaniel, and Mayor Joel Fritzler.

Absent: None.

Also present were Acting City Clerk Jennifer Sorrell, City Manager Kevin Baity, and various members of the City's administrative staff.

City Manager Kevin Baity presented the background of the item. The alley currently provides access to the Islamic Center of Carbondale (I.C.C.) building and main parking lot, as well as an adjacent parking lot. The I.C.C. is requesting vacation of the alley in order to incorporate use of the alley into a future parking lot expansion. The alley is bounded by I.C.C. owned property along the northern perimeter and 115' along the southern perimeter; the remaining 60' of the southern perimeter is owned by Mr. Joseph Bryant. As such, ownership would again be conveyed to both parties according to their respective parcel boundary lines. If vacated, the City will no longer be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the alley. Although there are currently no utilities located within the right-of-way, the City will retain an easement within the right-of-way to meet future utility demands.

Mayor Fritzler invited comments or questions from the public, but no one indicated a desire to speak on this issue. Mayor Fritzler twice repeated his request for comments or questions from the public.

There being no comments or questions at this hearing, Mayor Fritzler declared the public hearing closed at 7:08 p.m.

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Jennifer R. Sorrell, Acting City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:

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