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Ordinance

Vacation of public alley(s) in block bounded by W Jackson Blvd, S State St, W Van Buren St and S Plymouth Ct Committee on Transportation and Public Way

Committee(s) Assignment:

NOT FOR PROFIT ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago ("City") is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6(a) of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and, as such, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to support the charitable, educational and philanthropic activities of established Not for Profit Corporations and encourage the continued viability and growth of such activities; and

WHEREAS, many Not For Profit Corporations own property that adjoins streets and alleys that are no longer required for public use and might more productively be used in furtherance of such activities; and

WHEREAS, the City would benefit from the vacation of these streets and alleys by reducing City expenditures on maintenance, repair and replacement; by reducing fly-dumping, vandalism and other criminal activity; and by providing support for such charitable, educational and philanthropic activities; and

WHEREAS, the City can promote strong communities by facilitating services to the public, and increase the City's job base through the vacation of public street(s) and/or alley(s) for no compensation; and

WHEREAS, the properties at 15-25 W. Jackson Blvd and 300-315 S. Plymouth Ct., are owned by the John Marshall Law School, an Illinois Not For Profit Corporation, and

WHEREAS, the John Marshall Law School, an Illinois Not For Profit Corporation, uses the site as an independent and accredited law school serving 1450 students; and

WHEREAS, the John Marshall Law School, an Illinois Not For Profit Corporation, proposes to use the portion of the public alley to be vacated herein for controlled access and improved security; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Chicago, after due investigation and consideration, has determined that the nature and extent of the public use and the public interest to be subserved is such as to warrant the vacation of parts of public alley described in the following ordinance; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. the East and West 10 foot wide public alley lying south of and adjoining Lots 1 and 2 in George W. Snow's subdivision of Block 139 of School Section Addition to Chicago in Section16, Township 39 North, Range 14, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois as shaded, legally described and indicated by the words <u>"HEREBY VACATED</u>" on the drawing hereto attached and made part hereof as Exhibit A, which for greater certainty, ishereby made a part of this ordinance, be and the same is hereby vacated and closed, inasmuch as the same is no longer required for public use and the public interest will be subserved by such vacation.

SECTION 2. The Commissioner of Transportation is hereby authorized to accept and approve a redevelopment agreement or similar instrument restricting the use and improvement of the public way vacated in Section 1 of this ordinance to social service purposes which includes, but shall not be limited to: educational purposes, low income law services and for such use and improvements that are accessory, as that term is defined in the Chicago Zoning Ordinance, to such social service purposes, such uses and improvements to be owned and operated by a non-profit corporation, subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel as to form and legality. The restriction on use and improvement in the covenant, agreement or instrument shall be for a term of 40 years and upon breach of such restriction the public way herein vacated shall revert to the City and be subject to the terms and conditions of the dedication by which it has been heretofore held by the City.

SECTION 3. The vacation herein provided for is made upon the express condition that within 180 days after the passage of this ordinance, the Applicant shall deposit in the City Treasury of the City of Chicago a sum sufficient to defray the costs of removing paving and curb returns and construction of sidewalk at the entrance to the portion of the alley hereby vacated per established Department of Transportation standards. The precise amount of the sum so deposited shall be ascertained by the Commissioner of Transportation after such investigation as is requisite.

SECTION 4. The vacation herein provided for is made upon the express condition that within 180 days after the passage of this ordinance, the John Marshall Law School, an Illinois Not For Profit Corporation, shall file or cause to be filed for record in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois, a certified copy of this ordinance, together with a redevelopment agreement complying with Section 2 of this ordinance, and approved by the Corporation Counsel, and the attached drawing.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. The vacation shall take effect and be in force from and after its recording.

Vacation Approved Gabe Klein

Commissioner of Transportation

Approved as to Form and Legality J. Hill Deputv poration Counsel Elonorable Bob Fiorett

EXHIBIT A

PLAT OF VACATION

THE EAST AND WEST 10 FOOT WIDE PUBLIC ALLEY LYING SOUTH OF AND ADJOINING LOTS 1 AND 2 IN GEORGE W. SNOW'S SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 139 OF SCHOOL SECTION ADDITION TO CHICAGO IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PROPERTY AREA= 1,054.5 SQ.FT.

GRAPHIC SCALE

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