## MEMORANDUM

- TO: Andrew Rivera, Planning Commission Coordinator Planning and Zoning Department
- FROM: Kim Vasquez, Property Agent Senior Land Management Section Office of Real Estate Services
- **DATE:** July 19, 2016
- **SUBJECT:** F#9620-1511; Vacation of a portion of an alley right-of-way located between Paul Street and Pressler Street, south of W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

Attached are the departmental comments and other information pertinent to the referenced alley right-of-way vacation. The southern portion of the alley was vacated in 1946. The remaining portion is currently non-functional, it is currently used as a public utilities corridor and for surface parking. All affected departments and private utility franchise holders have reviewed this request and recommend approval, subject to retaining a public utility easement.

The applicant has requested that this item be submitted for placement on the **July 26th**, **2016**, **Planning Commission Agenda** for their consideration.

Staff contact: Kim Vasquez at 974-9241 or <u>landmanagement@austintexas.gov</u>

Applicant: Reynolds M. Shelton

Property Owner: Matthews-Brothers Investment, LP and Duchy East, LLC

Mr. Shelton will be present at the meeting to answer any questions regarding the project and vacation request.

Kim Vasquez, Property Agent Senior Land Management Section

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### DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTS FOR THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF AN ALLEY RIGHT-OF-WAY BETWEEN PAUL ST. AND PRESSLER ST.

AT&T	APPROVE
AUSTIN ENERGY	APPROVE
AUSTIN TRANSPORTATION	APPROVE
AUSTIN RESOURCE RECOVERY	APPROVE
AUSTIN WATER	APPROVE, subject to retaining a PUE easement.
CAPITAL METRO	APPROVE
CODE COMPLIANCE	APPROVE
CTM – GAATN	APPROVE
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (Land Use Review-Engineering)	APPROVE
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW SERVICES (Land Use Review-Transportation)	APPROVE
EMS	APPROVE
FIRE	APPROVE
GOOGLE	APPROVE
GRANDE COMMUNICATIONS	APPROVE, subject to applicant required to reimburse for any required utility relocation.
PARD	APPROVE
PLANNING & ZONING (Comprehensive Planning)	APPROVE / REFER TO PC
PLANNING & ZONING (Urban Design)	APPROVE
PLANNING & ZONING (Zoning Review)	APPROVE
PUBLIC WORKS (City Engineer)	APPROVE
PUBLIC WORKS	APPROVE



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(Sidewalks & Special Projects)

PUBLIC WORKS (Urban Trails)

APPROVE, no comment

APPROVE

TEXAS GAS SERVICES

TIME WARNER

APPROVE, subject to applicant required to reimburse for any required utility relocation.

WATERSHED PROTECTION (Engineering) APPROVE

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### MEMORANDUM

Case No.: 9620-1511 Date: R' } ^ F<sup>•</sup>, 201Î

SUBJECT:

### STREET VACATION

() Lucy Cabading	AT&T	() Marilyn Lamensdorf	PARD
() Melody Giambruno	Austin Energy	() David Marquez	DSD (LUR-Engineering)
() Mike Turner	Austin Resource Recovery	() Sangeeta Jain	DSD (LUR-Transportation)
() Rob Spillar	Austin Transportation Director	() Mark Walters	PDRD (Comp. Planning)
() Angela Baez	Austin Water	() Humberto Rey	PDRD (Urban Design)
() Roberto Gonzalez	Capital Metro	() Wendy Rhoades	PDRD (Zoning Review)
() Bruna Quinonez	Code Compliance	() David Boswell	PWD – Office of City Eng'r
() Carlos Dematos	CTM – GAATN	() Nadia Barrera	PWD (connectivity)
() Milissa Warren	EMS	() Christian Barraza	Texas Gas
() Frank Alvarez	Fire	() Scott Wratten	Time Warner
() Scott Cunningham	Google	() Katina Bohrer	WPD (Engineering)
() Luis Mata	Grande Communication		

A request has been received for the vacation of a portion of a north-south alley located between Paul Street and Pressler Street, immediately south of West 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The area requested for vacation is the remainder of an alley that was partially vacated in 1946.

Please review this request and return your comments to Eric Hammack (974-7079), email address: <u>landmanagement@austintexas.gov</u> or Fax: 974-7088. Physical address: Office of Real Estate Services, 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 1350. Due Date: November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

APPROVAL:	YES	Yes, Subj. to Reqm't	No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan - - - (CITY OF AUSTIN REVIEWERS ONLY):

Please also review the Vacation request based on the Priority Programs and policy directives set forth in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan (page 186).

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Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### REYNOLDS MILLER SHELTON Attorney at Law

109 Spring Creek Trail Spicewood, Texas 78669 830 798-1931

November 5, 2015

City of Austin Office of Real Estate Services 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 1350 Austin, Texas 78704

Attention: Land Management Division

Re: Application for alley vacation; Lots 1, 12, 11 & 10 Block 1, Pressler's Subdivision of Part of Out Lot No. 1, Division "Z", City of Austin

Dear Land Management Division:

On behalf of Matthews-Barnes Brothers Investment LP ("Client"), I am filing this application to vacate a portion of a 20 foot alley. The property is located west of Lamar Boulevard and outside of the Downtown Austin Plan. The property is generally bounded to the north by West 5th Street, to the west by Paul Street, to the south by West 4th Street and to the east by Pressler Street. The Travis Central Appraisal District has assigned Geographic ID number 01-9803-0903 to the property.

The property is improved with buildings associated with an automotive collision repair business. The improvements were in existence when the Client purchased the property in July 1983. The property was zoned LI-CO-NP (Limited Industrial Service, Conditional Overlay Combing District, and Neighborhood Plan Combining District). A zoning change was recently granted to LI-PDA in zoning case C14-2015-0078.

Beginning in April 2015, the property was leased month to month tenants that use the property for surface parking. A survey of the area to be vacated is attached as Exhibit A. A copy of the recorded Subdivision Plat is attached as Exhibit B. A location map is attached as Exhibit C. The deeds vesting the property in Matthews-Barnes Brothers Investment LP are attached as Exhibits D, E, and F.

All of the alley south of lot 10 to West 4th Street was vacated by City of Austin Council resolution on March 7, 1946 and recorded in Volume 943, Page 444 of the Real Property Records of Travis County. A copy of said resolution is attached as Exhibit G. The City of Austin retained the right to place utilities in the vacated alley. The Client, in good faith, believed the entire alley was vacated when it purchased the property in 1983. At the time the Client

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purchased the property, the improvements encroached upon the alley so as to render the alley non navigable to the traveling public. Additionally, vehicles could not reach West 4th Street as a result of said prior alley vacation. The Client desires to vacate the rest of the alley since it no longer serves the purpose of connecting two streets.

In response to the questions on page 2 of the application, the Client offers these responses:

- 1. The current use and zoning is non residential. For over 20 years the property has been used as an automobile body repair shop. The property is currently subject to a sale and purchase agreement and the new use will be a commercial project proposed to consist of convenience storage with approximately 3,000 square feet of ground floor commercial use.
- 2. The area to be vacated was platted in a subdivision of record in Volume 2, Page 137, Plat Records of Travis County, recorded December 14, 1900.
- 3. The City did not purchase the area to be vacated.
- 4. The Client's property and the alley are both located in the same subdivision.
- 5. The area to be vacated is currently non functioning right-of-way, since a portion of the alley (adjacent to lots 4 through 9) was vacated by City of Austin Council resolution on March 7, 1946 and recorded in Volume 943, Page 444 of the Real Property Records of Travis County.
- 6. The City will have the right to place public utilities in the vacated alley.
- 7. The property is currently developed with a concrete pad and wood decking for the adjacent building. Its future use will be parking and landscaping.
- 8. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 9. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 10. This is not a residential project.
- 11. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2017.
- 12. The zoning on the property to the east of lots 10-12 and south of lot 1 is LI-CO-NP (lots 2-6). The zoning on the property to the south of lots 10-12 was LI-CO-NP (lots 7-9). A zoning change was recently granted to LI-PDA in zoning case C14-2015-0078 for lots 7 through 9.
- 13. The adjacent property to the east (lots 2-6) is owned by Duchy East LLC and is currently improved with an approximate 20,000 square foot warehouse (Geographic ID number 01-0803-0909). The adjacent property to the south (lots 7-9 & Geographic ID number 01-0803-0914) is owned by the Client as a result of a subsequent purchase in 1989 and was used in conjunction with the property.
- 14. The parking is surface parking.
- 15. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 16. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 17. No agreements or easements have been executed with the adjacent landowner.
- 18. The area to be vacated is not within the Austin Downtown Plan.
- 19. The area to be vacated in not with UT boundaries.

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> Yes. Encouraging and supporting the stability and growth of local business to 20. sustain our homegrown business community. This use also provides a buffer between West 5th Street and the Union Pacific railroad line.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

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Reynolds Miller Shelton

### **RELATED CASES**

	FILE NUMBERS
Existing Site Plan (circle one): NO	N/A
Subdivision: Case (circle one): NO	N/A
Zoning Case (circle one): YES	C14-2015-0078

### PROJECT NAME, if applicable:

Name of Development Project: N/A Is this a S.M.A.R.T. Housing Project (circle one): NO Is this within the Downtown Austin Plan Boundaries (circle one): NO

### **OWNER INFORMATION**

Name: Matthews-Brothers Investment, LP		(as shown on Deed)		
Address: 117500 Research Blvd	Phone: (512) 583-3030	Fax No.: (512 583-3039		
City: Austin County: Travis	State: Texas	Zip Code: 78759		
Contact Person/Title: Duke M. Covert, Man	lager	Cell Phone: ()		
Email Address: duke@covertycity.net				
(If multiple owners are joining in this requ	uest – complete names, add	resses on each, must be attached.)		

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### **APPLICANT INFORMATION**

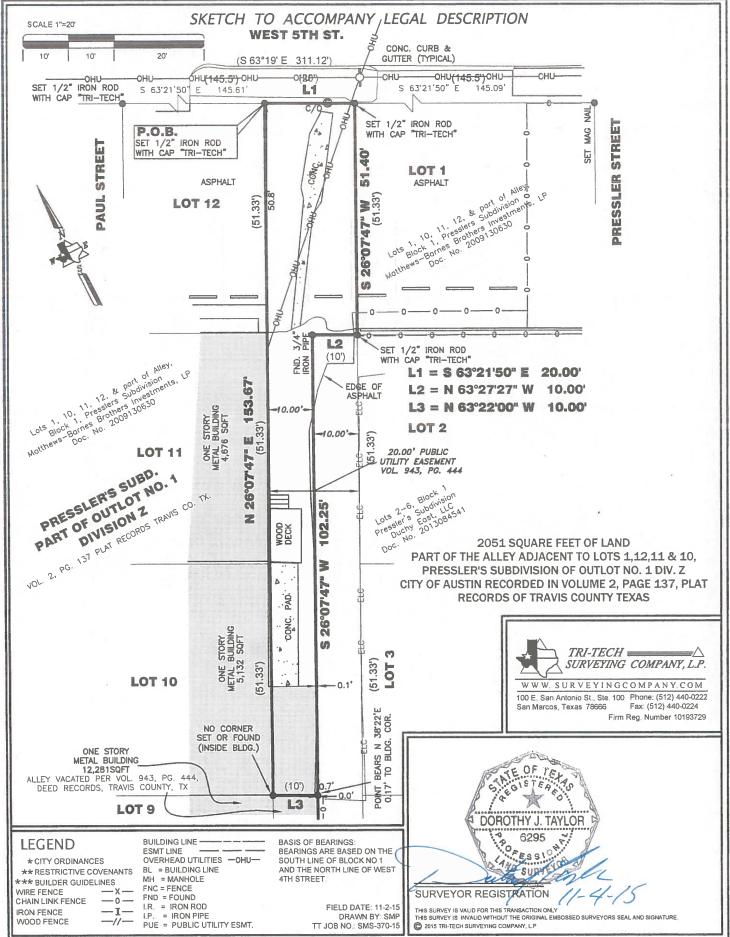
Name: Reynolds M. Shelton, Attorney at Law Firm Name: Address: 109 Spring Creek Trail City: Spicewood State: Texas Zip Code: 78669 Office No.: (830) 798-1931 Cell No.: (512) 461-2186 EMAIL ADDRESS: rmshelton@hotmail.com

Fax No.: (\_\_\_)

The undersigned Landowner/Applicant understands: 1) The application will be handled in accordance with the Policies and Procedures. 2) No action will be taken without payment of the non-refundable application fee or necessary documentation. 3) The application and fee in no way obligates the City to vacate the subject area. 4) It is further understood that all documents related to this transaction and certified check for the "appraised value" must be delivered to the City of Austin <u>prior</u> to placing the item on the Council Agenda for final approval.

h Min Signed By: Applicant

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FRITZ, BYRNE, HEAD & FITZPATRICK, PLLC

Attorneys at Law

May 26, 2016

City of Austin Office of Real Estate Services 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 1350 Austin, Texas 78704

Attention: Land Management Division

Re: Application for Alley Vacation; Lots 2 & 3 Block 1, Pressler's Subdivision of Part of Out Lot No. 1, Division "Z", City of Austin

Dear Land Management Division:

On behalf of Duchy East, LLC, ("Client"), I am filing this application to join with a previously filed application to vacate a portion of a 20 foot alley. My Client proposes to join with the application for alley vacation filed by Matthews-Barnes Brothers Investment LP ("Matthews-Barnes") which filed its application November 5, 2015 and was assigned number F#9620-1511 by the City of Austin (COA).

My Client's property is located adjacent to that of Matthews Barnes and is west of Lamar Boulevard and outside of the Downtown Austin Plan. The property is generally bounded to the north by West 5th Street, to the west by the subject 20 foot wide alley, to the south by West 4th Street and to the east by Pressler Street. The Travis Central Appraisal District has assigned ID number 01-0803-0909 to the property. When Matthews-Barnes filed its application, the COA would not approve the application unless the remainder of the alley was being vacated. Matthews-Barnes requested that my Client join in their application for alley vacation and my Client has agreed. By filing this application, my Client wishes to join with Matthews-Barnes in its application of the alley.

My Client's property is improved with buildings associated with retail sales. The improvements were in existence when the Client acquired the property in March 2013. The property is zoned LI-CO-NP (Limited Industrial Service, Conditional Overlay Combing District, and Neighborhood Plan Combining District).



A survey of the area to be vacated is attached as **Exhibit A**. A copy of the recorded Subdivision Plat is attached as **Exhibit B**. A location map is attached as **Exhibit C**. The deed vesting the property in Duchy East, LLC is attached as **Exhibit D**.

All of the alley south of lot 3 to West 4th Street was vacated by City of Austin Council resolution on March 7, 1946 and recorded in Volume 943, Page 444 of the Real Property Records of Travis County. A copy of said resolution is attached as **Exhibit E**. The City of Austin retained the right to place utilities in the vacated alley. Vehicles cannot reach West 4th Street as a result of said prior alley vacation. The Client desires to vacate the rest of the alley since it no longer serves the purpose of connecting two streets.

The property is leased to SO-FIT, LLC under a ten year lease executed effective May 20, 2013 which has renewal options. A portion of the property is sublet to Rogue Equipment, LLC and to Ted Spears, MD, PA dba Sports Performance International. A list of such tenants is attached as **Exhibit F.** 

In response to the questions on page 2 of the application, the Client offers these responses:

- 1. The current use and zoning is non residential.
- 2. The area to be vacated was platted in a subdivision of record in Volume 2, Page 137, Plat Records of Travis County, recorded December 14, 1900.
- 3. The City did not purchase the area to be vacated.
- 4. The Client's property and the alley are both located in the same subdivision.
- 5. The area to be vacated is currently non-functioning right-of-way, since the southern portion of the alley (adjacent to lots 4 through 9) was vacated by City of Austin Council resolution on March 7, 1946 and recorded in Volume 943, Page 444 of the Real Property Records of Travis County.
- 6. The City will have the continued right to place public utilities in the vacated alley.
- 7. The Client has no current development plans for the alley. The Client wishes to join in the application of Matthews-Barnes to vacate the alley, which application was filed November 5, 2015 and was assigned number F#9620-1511 by the City of Austin (COA).
- 8. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 9. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 10. This is not a residential project.
- 11. There are no current plans to change the current use of the property.
- 12. The zoning on the property to the west of lots 2 and 3 is LI-PDA (zoning case C14-2015-0078 for lots 7 through 12). Lot 1, to the north of Lot 2, is LI-CO-NP.
- 13. The adjacent property to the west (lots 7-12) is owned by Matthews-Barnes Brothers Investment LP and is currently improved with buildings associated with an automotive collision repair business.
- 14. The parking is surface parking.
- 15. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 16. A new site plan has not been submitted.
- 17. No agreements or easements have been executed with the adjacent landowner other than the agreement to join in the vacation of the alley.
- 18. The area to be vacated is not within the Austin Downtown Plan.

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- 19. The area to be vacated in not with UT boundaries.
- 20. Yes. Encouraging and supporting the stability and growth of local business to sustain our homegrown business community. This use also provides a buffer between West 5th Street and the Union Pacific railroad line which runs east/west to the immediate south of the property.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

Thomas Fritz, Principal

CC: Ben Schotz Reynolds Shelton

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Application for Street or Alley Vacation

DATE:

File No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Department Use Only

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#### **TYPE OF VACATION**

Type of Vacation: Street:	; Alley: X_; ROW	Hundred Blo	ck:
Name of Street/Alley/ROW: N	I/S between West 5th & Wes	t 4 <sup>th</sup> Streets Is it	constructed: YES
Property address: 410 Pressler	Street		
Purpose of vacation: The Appl	icant desires to vacate the re	st of the alley sind	ce it no longer serves the purpose
of connecting two streets			

### PROPERTY DESCRIPTION ADJACENT TO AREA TO BE VACATED

Parcel #	: 01-0803-0909	)				
Survey	& Abstract No.	: Pressler's Subdivis	sion, Part	of Outlot No. 1, Division	n "Z"	
Lot(s):	2 and 3	Block: 1	Outlot:	1		
Subdivision Name: Pressler's Subdivision						
Plat Bo	ok 2	Page Number	137	Document Number	406812	

Neighborhood Association Name: Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan Contact Team Address including zip code: 2100 Stamford Lane, Austin, TX 78703

Neighborhood Association Name: Old West Austin Neigh Plan Contact Team Address including zip code: 1614 W. 9<sup>th</sup> ½ St., Austin, TX 78703

Neighborhood Association Name: Old West Austin Neighborhood Assn. Address including zip code: 800 West Lynn Street, Austin, TX 78703

Neighborhood Association Name: West Austin Neighborhood Group Address including zip code: P.O. Box 5722, Austin, TX 78763

Neighborhood Association Name: West End Austin Alliance Address including zip code: 1311-A East 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Austin, TX 78702

Neighborhood Association Name: Austin Independent School District Address including zip code: 1111 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street Suite B-320, Austin, TX 78703

#### **RELATED CASES**

**Existing Site Plan (circle one): NO** Subdivision: Case (circle one): NO Zoning Case (circle one): NO FILE NUMBERS N/A N/A N/A

#### **PROJECT NAME, if applicable:**

Name of Development Project: N/A Is this a S.M.A.R.T. Housing Project (circle one): NO Is this within the Downtown Austin Plan Boundaries (circle one): NO

#### **OWNER INFORMATION**

Name:DUCHY EAST, LLCAddress:1711 San GabrielPhone: (512) 476-5913City:AustinCounty: TravisState: TexasContact Person/Title:Ben Schotz, ManagerEmail Address:schotz@gmail.com

Fax No.: (512) 828-6297 Zip Code: 78701 Cell Phone: (512) 470-2885

(If multiple owners are joining in this request - complete names, addresses on each, must be attached.)

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Name: Thomas D. FritzFirm Name: Fritz, Byrne, Head & Fitzpatrick, PLLCAddress: 221 W. 6th Street, Suite 960City: AustinState: TexasZip Code:78701Office No.: (512) 476-2020Cell No.: (512)Fax No.: (

### Fax No.: (512) 477-5267

### EMAIL ADDRESS: tfritz@fbhf.com

The undersigned Landowner/Applicant understands: 1) The application will be handled in accordance with the Policies and Procedures. 2) No action will be taken without payment of the non-refundable application fee or necessary documentation. 3) The application and fee in no way obligates the City to vacate the subject area. 4) It is further understood that all documents related to this transaction and certified check for the "appraised value" must be delivered to the City of Austin <u>prior</u> to placing the item on the Council Agenda for final approval.

Signed By

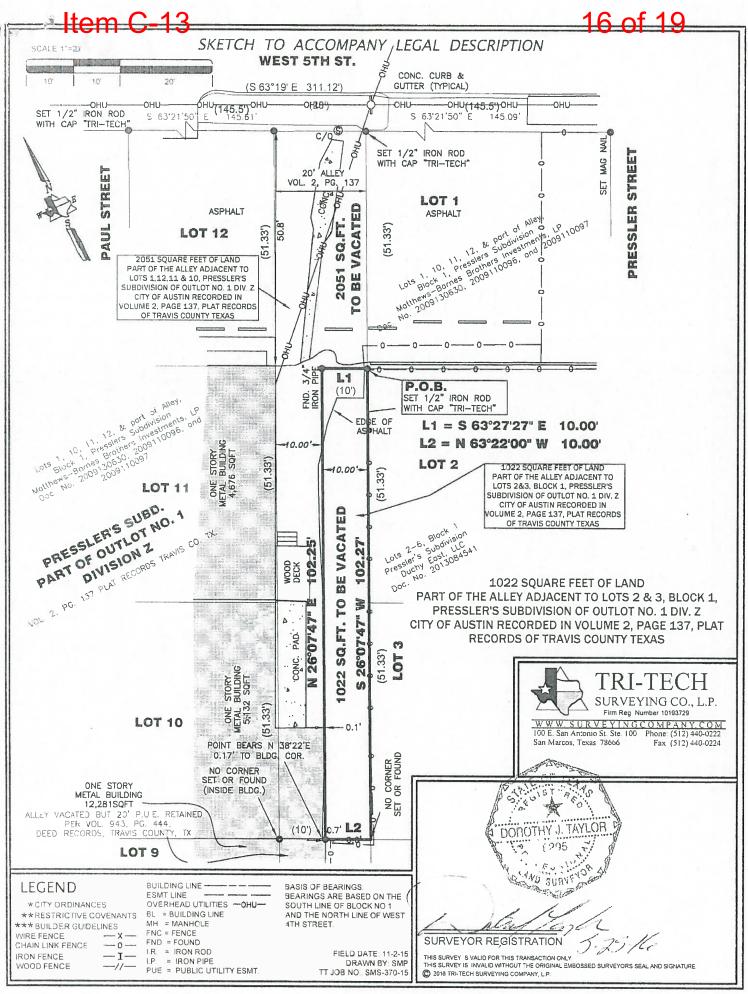
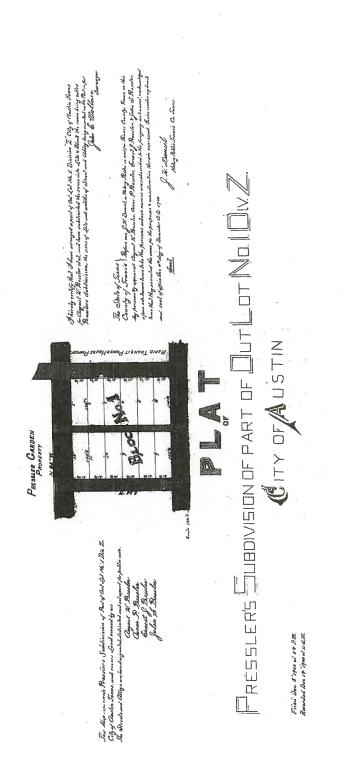


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heretofore been paid off is hereby released insofar as such payments are concerned only. And the Grantor hereby bargains, sells and conveys, unto the said Vernon Matual Life and Accident Association, alloff the right, title and interest now ouned or held by Grantor in and to said land and the improvements and to said note and the lien securing it TO HAVE AND TO HOLD when the said Vernon Mutual Life and Accident Association, Verner, Texas, its successors and assigns, the balance due and owing of Tuelve Thousand Pive Hundred and no/100 (\$12,500) Dollars on the above described note, together with all and singular, the contract lien and vendor's lien which the Grantor has by virtue of being the legal owner and holder of said note and lien securing same, hereby coverenting that all payments, offsets and credits to which said note is entitled, do appear on the back thereof and Vernon Mutual Life and Accident Association, its successors and assigns, is hereby authorized to release said lien upon payment of the indebtedness hereby transferred and assigned.

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Witness my hand this the 13th day of December, 1948.

Edward C. Cronin

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Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Zoward C. Cronin, known to me to be the person whose mane is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 13th day of December, 1958.

Kay Gurley

Notary Public in and for Trevis County, Taxas.

(Notary Seal)

Filed for Record Dec. 14, 1948 at 4:00 P.M. --- Recorded Dec. 15, 1948 at 9:05 4.4.---

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#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in book 2, page 137, of the Flat Records of Travis County, Texe, there appears a map or plat of a subdivision of land known as Pressler's Subdivision, a subdivision of a portion of Outlot 1, Division Z, of the Government Outlots within the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, upon said map or plat there appears various streets and alleys, one of vict alleys herein referred to is 20 feet in vidth and traverses Block 1, of Spid Fressler's Subdivision, and being the alley one-half block West of and parallel to Fressler Street, and extending from West 4th Street, to West 5th Street; and,

WHEREAS, said request has been reviewed and considered by the fity Council of the City of Austin; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That that portion of the alley in Block 1, of Presslar's Subdivision lying between a point 153.9 feet south of the south line of West 5th Sträet, and the north line of West Ath Street be, and the same is hereby permanently closed and vacated except the City of Austin hereby retained the right to construct, maintain, operate and control all public

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utilities in, upon and across the above described portion of said alley.

ADOPTED: March 7, 1946.

ATTEST:

Helen K. Busche City Clerk The State of Texas,

County of Travis.

TON MILLER Mayor

I, Hallis McKeller, City Clerk of the City of Anstin, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing and attached resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by the City Council of said City, on March 7, 1946, as same appears of record in Minute Book No . 23, at page 257, of the Minutes of said City Council; a quorum bring present and voting for the adoption of the resolution.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Austin, Texas, this 12th day of Receber, A. D. 1948.

#### Hallie McFellar

City Clerk, City of Austin, Texas.

(Seal)

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The State of Texes,

County of Travis.

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Netary Fublic in and for the fourty of Travis, and State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Hallis McKellar, City vierk of the City of Austin, Texas, known so me to be the person whose rame is subscribed to the foregoing instrument; and she acknowledged to me that she executed the same for the purposes and consideration thereis expressed, and in the capacity thereis stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Austin, Taxas, this 14th day of December, A. D. 1948.

#### Fisie Wootley

Rotary Public, Travis County, Texas.

(Notary Seel) Filed for Record Dec. 14, 1948 at 4:00 P.K. --- Recorded Dec. 15, 1948 at 9:00 ....

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	APPLICATION TO FROMATS	NILL.	NO. 23, 200	
IN RE ESTATE	OF HENRY T. MATIENES,	1	IN THE COULTY CO	CURT, BERAR COTATY,
DECRASED.		in the	TEX	. S.

TO THE HONORABLE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR SAID COURTY:

I. Now comes your petitioner, Ida Mai Natthewa, and states that Henry T. Matthewa is dead; that he died on or about the 30th day of March, A. D. 1935, that said deceased, a the time of his death , was a resident of the County of Fexar, in the State of Texas.

II. That at the time of his death the sold Henry T. Natures was spined and possesses of real and personaliproperty situated in Bezer County, Texas, and left a written will, duly executed and herewith filed, in which your petitioner was appointed independent executrix without bond.

III. That your petitioner is not discussified by law from accepting letters testamentary.

Whorefore, your petitioner prays the Court that situation be issued to all parties interested in said estate, as required by las, and that said will be addition to probate;