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Re: Petition for Vacation of Alley, 1768-V

Dear Mr. Nelson,

The DEED Foundation submits this letter of purpose in reference to the Petition for Vacation of the Alley located on the eastern border of our historic Delta Athenaeum property at 900 - 914 E. Linwood Boulevard in Kansas City, MO. DEED seeks to vacate the north-south alley to provide driveway access for a parking lot planned for the east side of the property in coordination with our neighbor, SAVE Inc. A special use permit application (case no. 14647-SU-1) is currently pending before the City Planning Commission regarding the parking lot.

The subject alley is generally located on the north side of Linwood Boulevard between Campbell Street to the west and Harrison Street to the east from the north right-of-way line of E. Linwood Boulevard to its terminus approximately 212 feet to the north, all in Section 17, Township 49, Range 33 W, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. As set forth in the Petition, all property owners abutting the subject alley have consented to the vacation in favor of the DEED Foundation. DEED has also obtained comments from the required agencies and utilities, all of which have waived any objection to the alley vacation as long as easements are retained. DEED will execute any necessary documentation to retain the easements.

It is noteworthy that the subject alley only runs along the eastern edge of the Delta Athenaeum property, beginning at the southeast corner and terminating at the northeast corner of our lots at 900 – 914 E. Linwood Boulevard. Three years ago, the City sold the northern extension of the alley to SAVE Inc., our friendly neighbor at 911 E. 31<sup>st</sup> Street. Thus, the alley's use as a public right-of-way does not extend beyond the borders of the Delta Athenaeum property.

The City also recently executed a Ground Lease with SAVE Inc. to allow three adjacent portions of the former alley to be used as a parking lot. SAVE Inc. has agreed that DEED will be permitted to use the former alley and adjacent land for parking. The City's Ground Lease specifically provides that DEED is permitted to use SAVE Inc.'s newly acquired land for parking. To provide greater access to the SAVE Inc. parking lot and allow driveway entry for the Delta Athenaeum's new east-side parking lot, DEED is requesting to vacate the remaining alley as a public right-of way. The vacated alley will provide a one-way entry to DEED's new parking lot from Linwood Boulevard and allow access to the Save Inc. parking lot with two exits onto 31<sup>st</sup> Street or Harrison Street.

The primary benefit of the alley vacation is to provide access to more than 100 parking spaces that will be available on the parking lots constructed by DEED and SAVE Inc. The adjoining parking lots will relieve much of the neighborhood congestion and complaints that result from street parking during events at the Delta Athenaeum. Since most of the events draw customers with 50 to 75 parked cars, the new lots will be of sufficient size to handle the traffic flow.

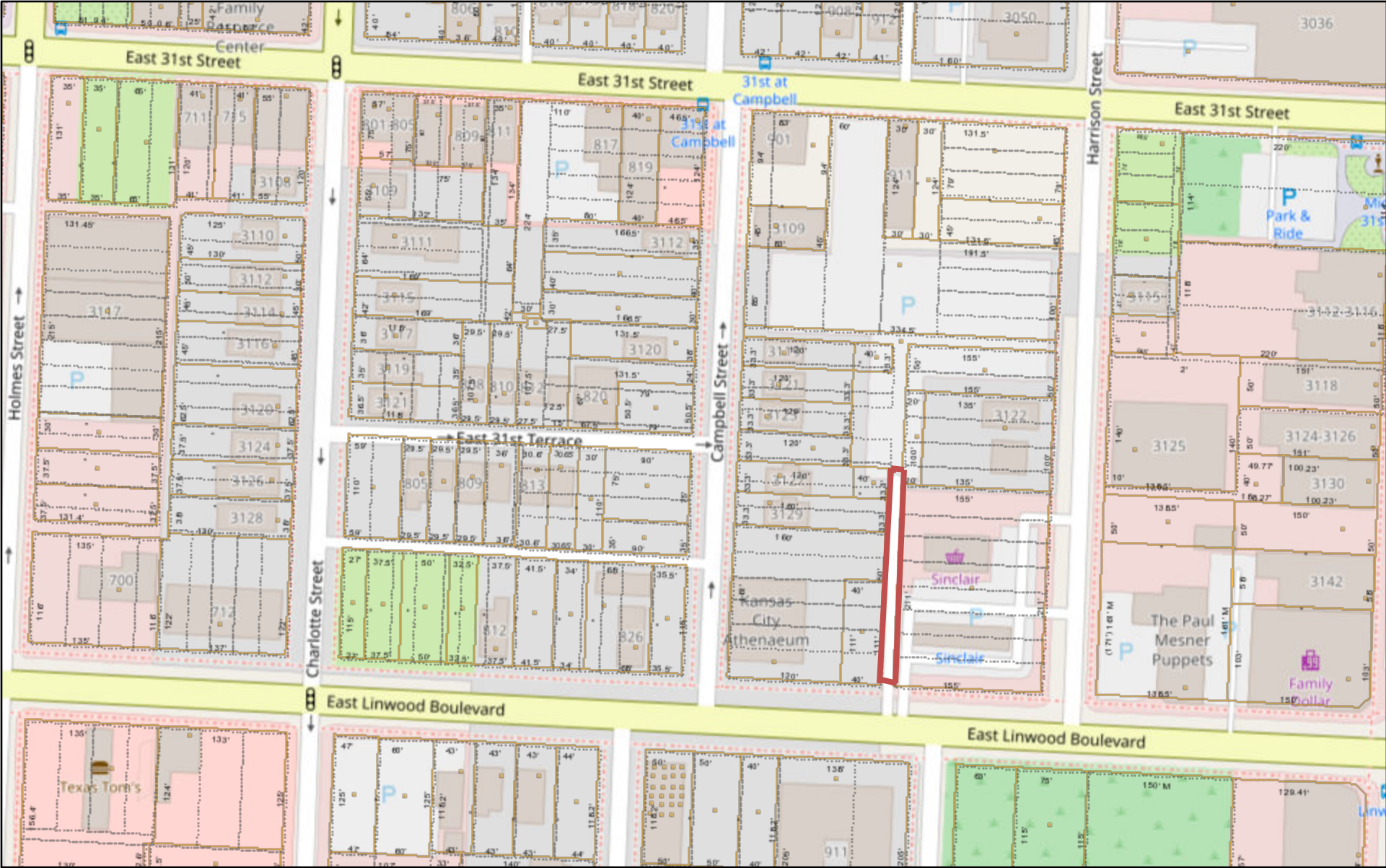
We look forward to an opportunity to further discuss this request. Please contact me with questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

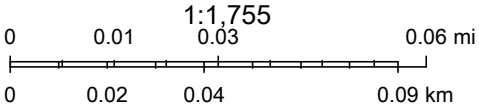


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President, DEED Foundation

# Location of Proposed Vacation of Alley



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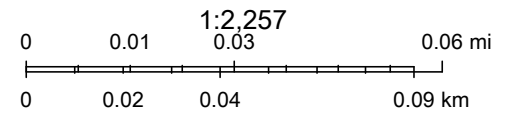
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