

**CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS  
ORDINANCE NO. 3627**

**AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE PORTION OF SURPLUS WILSON DRIVE  
RIGHT-OF-WAY BETWEEN CARL STREET AND LEO STREET IN  
THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbia (“City”), Monroe and St. Clair Counties, Illinois is a duly created, organized and validly existing municipality of the State of Illinois under the 1970 Illinois Constitution and the laws of the State of Illinois, including particularly the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, three blocks of right-of-way were dedicated to the City for Wilson Drive in the First Addition of Columbia Acres, approved by Ordinance No. 131 on June 3, 1946; and

**WHEREAS**, property was acquired from said subdivision by the Illinois Department of Transportation (“IDOT”) in 1956, which is now IDOT right-of-way for the current alignment of State Route 3; and

**WHEREAS**, an unimproved portion of Wilson Drive right-of-way between Carl Street and Leo Street had not been acquired by IDOT and remains under the City’s ownership, but is not required to provide access to adjoining parcels or needed for future public facilities of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/11-91 et seq., authorizes the vacation of municipal streets and alleys and establishes the governing provisions for such vacations of public right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 131, which approved the First Addition of Columbia Acres, establishes a devolution of title upon the abandonment of the subject right-of-way as provided in 65 ILCS 5/11-91-2, authorizing the transfer of title to the parcels indicated herein and depicted on the Right-of-Way Vacation Plat attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities of the City have determined that it is advisable, necessary, and serves the public interest to vacate the subject right-of-way.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbia, as follows:

**Section 1.** The above recitals are hereby incorporated by reference as findings of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois.

**Section 2.** The portion of Wilson Drive right-of-way depicted in Exhibit A is hereby vacated. Ownership of said property shall revert to the adjoining property parcels as shown in Exhibit A, and more specifically as follows:

- Parcel No. 04-21-220-012-000 (144 S. Carl Street; Lot 8 Block 3 of Columbia Acres First Addition): The north 2 feet of Wilson Drive right-of-way adjoining

and adjacent to the south parcel boundary line, in order to accommodate a shed constructed over the south parcel boundary.

- Parcel No. 04-21-220-018-000 (143 S. Leo Street; Lot 16 & the south half of Lot 15, Block 3 of Columbia Acres First Addition): The north 2 feet of Wilson Drive right-of-way adjoining and adjacent to the south parcel boundary line, in order to match the transfer to Lot 8.
- Parcel No. 04-21-220-019-000 (203 S. Leo Street; Parts of Lots 2-6, Block 6 of Columbia Acres First Addition): The south 38 feet of Wilson Drive right-of-way adjoining and adjacent to the north parcel boundary line, due to the north 2 feet reverting to the other adjacent parcels as described above.

**Section 3.** The City Clerk shall cause a certified copy of this Ordinance to be filed for record in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for Monroe County.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall take full force and effect immediately upon passage by the Corporate Authorities.

**PASSED** by the City Council and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Columbia, Illinois and deposited and filed in the office of the City Clerk on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022, the vote being taken by ayes and noes and entered upon the legislative record as follows:

AYES: Aldermen Niemietz, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer, and Khoury.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

APPROVED:

  
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BOB HILL, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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ANDREW HITZEMANN, City Clerk

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