

Honorable Council  
City of Newark, Ohio  
April 10, 2012

Monday, April 9, 2012 the Street Committee met in Council Chambers after the Personnel Committee meeting. These members were present:

Ed Houdeshell, Chair  
Jeffrey M. Rath  
Duke Frost  
Carol A. Floyd

Shirley Stare  
Rhonda Loomis  
Doug Marmie

We wish to report:

1. Brian Morehead, City Engineer, discussed:

a) a proposal to vacate a portion of South 29th Street, south of Steel Avenue dead-ending at the railroad track

This is in conjunction with Ordinance No. 12-16 vacating a portion of South 29 Street as shown on the plat of the Wintermute Addition at Plat Book 3, page 121 of the Licking County plat records; said portion of street is located south of Steel Avenue.

This was discussed at the last street committee meeting when we were waiting on clarification from the fire department. Since then that department does not object to the vacation and we have developed Ordinance No. 12-16 to vacate that portion and are looking to send it on to council.

Mr. Houdeshell explained the fire department had expressed concerns the owner was going to erect a fence across the vacated area; that is not going to happen now. The property agreed to make it accessible to the fire department and sent the fire chief a letter stating that.

Mr. Frost asked that a copy of the letter be sent to all committee members.

Motion by Ms. Stare, second by Mr. Rath to approve passed by a vote of 7 - 0.

b) vacation of Meridian Alley running between Union Street and the State Route 79 northbound on-ramp from Grant Street; the petitioner has requested this be put on hold. The petitioner has asked that the petition be put on hold; they are in talks with the fire department and ultimately will not move forward with that vacation.

c) Resolution No. 12-32, a final resolution enacted by the City of Newark, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Legislative

Authority/Local Public Agency or "LPA", in the matter of the stated described project (widening Country Club Drive to include a center left turn lane, right turn lanes, curb and gutter, traffic signal and sidewalk)

This is the final resolution through ODOT for the widening of Country Club Drive and we're asking for it to be passed as an emergency.

A sidewalk will be constructed on Country Club Drive from Granville Road north to Pleasant Valley explained Mr. Morehead. Last Fall the bike path was relocated.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd, second by Mr. Rath the resolution be sent to council as a whole carried unanimously.

Lesa Best asked why the first alley vacation was approved. What happens if that land is sold?

Mr. Houdeshell explained the deed would grant the fire department access if necessary.

Ed Houdeshell  
Chair