



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA

4TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

August 18, 2026

8:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. MEETING MINUTES

1. Consideration of Approval of Minutes from Regular Work Session held on May 19, 2026.

C. WORK SESSION ITEMS

1. Consideration of the Vacation of Unimproved Right-of-Way on Old Farm Road and Starling Lane.
Council Letter Number CL - 2888.
2. Consideration of the Vacation of a Right-of-Way on Virginia Avenue.
Council Letter Number CL - 2889.
3. Consideration of the Vacation of Unimproved Right-of-Way on Cardinal Drive and Oriole Drive, and Vacate a Drainage Easement.
Council Letter Number CL - 2891.
4. Major Projects and Space Needs Assessment Update.
Council Letter Number CL - 2909.

D. PROGRAM UPDATE

E. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

F. COMMUNICATIONS

A. City Manager

B. Deputy City Manager

C. Assistant City Manager Adkins

D. Assistant City Manager Evans

E. City Attorney

F. City Clerk

G. Roll Call

G. CLOSED MEETING

As Permitted by Subsection (A)(3) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended for discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property or of the disposition of publicly held real property; and

As Permitted by Subsection (A)(5) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended for discussion concerning a prospective business or industry related to economic development.

A. Motion to Convene in Closed Meeting

B. Motion to Reconvene in Open Meeting

C. Motion to Certify Closed Meeting

H. ADJOURN

Council Letter
City of Danville, Virginia



CL - 2897

MEETING MINUTES 1.

City Council Work Session

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026

Subject: Approval of Meeting Minutes.

From: Susan DeMasi, City Clerk

COUNCIL ACTION

Consideration of Approval of Minutes from Regular Work Session held on May 19, 2026.

Attachments

1. Meeting Minutes
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A Regular Work Session of the Danville City Council convened on May 19, 2026, at 8:43 p.m. in the City Council Conference Room located on the Fourth Floor of the Municipal Building, 427 Patton Street, Danville, Virginia. The following Council Members were present: Vice Mayor James B. Buckner, L.G. "Larry" Campbell Jr., Bryant Hood, Mayor Alonzo L. Jones, Daniel W. Marshall, Barry Mayo, Dr. Gary P. Miller, Sherman M. Saunders, and J. Lee Vogler, Jr. (9).

Staff Members present were: City Manager Ken F. Larking, Deputy City Manager Earl B. Reynolds Jr., Assistant City Manager/CFO Michael L. Adkins, Assistant City Manager Briana Evans, City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield, Jr., and City Clerk Susan M. DeMasi.

Mayor Jones presided

WORK SESSION ITEMS

Meeting Minutes

Upon **Motion** by Council Member Campbell and **second** by Council Member Mayo, Minutes of the Regular Work Session held on April 21, 2026, were approved as presented. Draft copies were distributed to Council Members prior to the Meeting.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

Consideration of Changes to the Personnel System

Council had no questions on this item and agreed to put this on an upcoming agenda.

Appointments

Vice Mayor Buckner noted the Committee on Appointments met earlier that evening and made the following recommendations:

Airport Commission:	Reappoint:	Robert Jiranek
	Appoint:	William Robinson
Architectural Review Board:	Appoint:	Miguel Castillo
Dan River ASAP	Reappoint:	Michael Sheetz
Danville CPMT	Appoint:	April Jones
	Reappoint:	Tammy Warren
Danville Pittsylvania Community Services Board	Reappoint:	Geary Davis and Pamela Saunders
	Appoint:	Mike Mondul and Shelby Irving
Danville Utility Commission:	Appoint:	Sheila Williamson-Branch
Public Arts Commission:	Appoint:	Charles Crumpler Tina Leone

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West Piedmont Rural Transportation Advisory

Reappoint: Kenny Gillie and
Chris Franks

Transportation Advisory Board

Reappoint: Chris Franks
Appoint: Kitteria Mayo

Discussion of the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget

City Manager Ken Larking noted he wanted to call Council's attention to the first reading on the real estate tax rate. People pay a combination of the rate times the value of the home or property. Every two years, there was a reassessment; they have seen in the past two reassessments some increase to the overall real estate value. During the budget planning meetings staff mentioned the possibility of a six or seven percent increase in the total real estate value; the budget included revenue of about \$1.5M that would have anticipated that increase in value. As required by state law, they advertised what was called an effective rate increase. With the reassessment of 6.4% based on 99% of properties completed, staff does anticipate that there will be an effective tax increase. Not every value increased by the same amount; it was unique to each property. To have a neutral tax rate would be about seventy-eight cents, but doing that would create an imbalance in the budget as currently presented, of about \$1.48M. Mr. Larking stated he recommended, because they do have a low tax, to keep the rate as it was, keep the budget balanced as it was, but understanding that there may be some differences of thought on that. He will present some options for providing tax relief should the Council desire to do so. One suggestion was perhaps looking at the combination of some relief on vehicle taxes or vehicle rates. Also, doing some adjustments for revenues that would increase the revenues to make up for some of the gap; there were a number of options available to Council.

Vice Mayor Buckner asked Assistant City Manager Michael Adkins to provide information on what it would look like to eliminate the car tax in Danville all together, and what the impact would be on the budget. Council Member Campbell noted the city uses the casino money for projects, and has plans on what it wants to do, but he knows a lot of people were going through a lot instead of getting an increase on their check and he has not come to a decision yet.

Council Member Marshall noted one of the things they should look at was security in this building; they should ask the Chief of Police to develop a plan to make sure that not only was Council safe, but anytime staff was in this building they should make visitors go through a metal detector. Mr. Marshall stated they heard all of the good sides of the data centers, but once the data center was hot, and that money started flowing in here, there was something in K-12 called the composite index which says the richer the community was, the less the state pays; the poorer the community, the more the state pays. Mr. Marshall stated that the city was going to end up having to pay more money into K-12 than they were now. Mr. Marshall suggested for the personal property tax, they look at stair steps with maybe \$5,000 off the value or \$10,000 off the value but only for private vehicles, to take care of the citizens first. Mr. Marshall questioned if the city should develop a plan on how to use the funds they will be receiving from the data center, similar to the plan they have for the casino funds.

Mayor Jones noted his agreement and that they put together a committee with citizens from the community like they did with the casino plan. Mayor Jones stated he also had the same concerns with the safety of the building. Dr. Miller stated the security bothered him as well, and the escape plan needed to be reviewed. Dr. Miller noted they need to set up a community action plan, how do they spend the money, just like the casino; ask the public and have a committee. As far as the car tax, the real estate tax only benefits people that own property, it doesn't help renters; they

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need to help the car owners, maybe eliminating the car tax for one vehicle on private transportation, but only one car, not all the cars the citizen owns.

Council Member Vogler noted he could not justify voting for a tax increase, but liked the elimination of the \$25 decal fee, and the suggestion to lower the car tax which will reach more people. Mr. Vogler asked the City Manager to provide information on what it would look like if they eliminated the \$25 fee on cars, reduce the car tax by ten cents on the rate, took a penny off the real estate tax rate and raised the income eligibility cap on the senior citizens and permanently disabled, if they go up to \$45,000. That way, they were providing tax relief for everyone who has a car and making tax relief available for more senior citizens and disabled; those were wide reaching things that would provide the most tax relief to the most people in the city.

Mayor Jones questioned what these changes would do to the balanced budget and Mr. Larking noted it was hard to tell how much the adjusting for seniors would be because it had to be applied for; staff doesn't think it would impact it too much. A penny decrease in real estate tax would be \$350,000; the city would have to find \$350,000 additional cuts, or new revenues. Mr. Larking stated he recommended an alternative to have a revenue neutral situation with a combination of elimination of the \$25 fee, plus lowering the personal property tax rates by ten cents, and then some additional revenue they anticipate because of interest rates and other things; that actually creates a balanced budget. Mayor Jones noted in July, their strategic goals change and what Mr. Vogler suggested fits into those strategic goals; they added a new goal with regard to poverty. Mr. Hood noted he was glad that there were options available to look out for the citizens.

Mr. Larking noted he needed a consensus from Council on what to do next; there was a process that had to occur to lower a rate that includes a public notice for a public hearing; it was a timing issue deciding what to do and making sure the budget was balanced. If those recommendations were something Council wanted to go forward with, staff can get this ready to be voted on. Mr. Larking noted in response to Rev Campbell's request to make sure there was a balance, that because everyone's valuation was unique to their specific property, it was impossible to come with something that makes it exactly equal. The attempt here was listening to what was talked about at the council retreat, a focus on trying to help residents as much as possible, and if it was the Council's wish to provide tax relief, that reducing the burden of the vehicle tax and the \$25 fee helped the most people. As far as real estate tax, Mr. Larking stated he recommended that they leave things the way they were, leaving the tax rates. Mayor Jones questioned how many Council Members would vote for it if they left the rates as is, at the next meeting, and five Council Members noted they would vote for it as is.

Mr. Vogler noted the City Manager balanced the budget lowering the car tax and removing the fee and Mr. Larking noted it was, but they would have to increase some revenue estimates in order to do that, one of which being interest earnings. It was hard to predict where they would be; in future years they could be lower, and the interest earnings revenues would be lower. They would have to compensate for that.

Mayor Jones stated what was important right now for the citizens were the items that need priority on giving the citizens a break. Mr. Larking noted whatever impacts the homeowners, property owners, or residents actually also impacts the city in its budget. When gas prices go up, the city also paid those gas prices, and the cost of delivering services go up. Mr. Larking stated he would be more concerned about the rates and the burden on the taxpayers if they had high taxes, high rates and high property values. The City generally has low tax rates, one of the lowest real estate rates in the state; their property values were lower than most cities, and the burden on citizens was not that high generally for the amount of services that people get. The same argument goes

for the utility rates; when compared to those around Danville, Danville's rates were lower than surrounding communities. If they want to do the projects that they all want to do, they cannot be done without resources.

Mr. Vogler noted to forget about the one cent reduction in real estate, take that out of it. The ten cents lowering the car tax and removing that \$25 fee, the City Manager has a balanced budget with that, and Mayor Jones questioned how many would support those. Mr. Marshall questioned reducing the car tax, was that for corporate and personal vehicles and Mr. Larking stated it was his understanding that was for personal property tax which affects everyone; Mr. Adkins confirmed it affects business and personal property. Mr. Marshall noted his suggestion was they look at just reducing the car tax on personal vehicles and Mr. Larking stated they were not sure they could do that; the state dictates which classes of property they can tax and did not know if they could carve out just personal vehicles.

Mayor Jones took a straw poll to eliminate the \$25 decal fee and a majority of Council indicated support for this. Mayor Jones took a straw poll to lower the rate on the car tax ten cents for all vehicles and a majority of Council indicated support for this item. Mr. Vogler noted the other item was raising the eligibility cap for seniors and disabled by \$5,000 for real estate tax relief for senior citizens and permanently disabled.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Interim Director of Economic Development and Tourism Mike Legg noted for the former Galileo School site, DPS has left the site, and the issue was what to do with the property. There were three options, they could renovate the building and try to sell it, they could demolish it and then pursue economic development on it, which they believe would probably be multifamily, or they could use it for parking. They did not think it would be used permanently for parking because of the property values, but could be temporarily. Staff recommended demolishing it and pursuing economic development. Mr. Marshall asked if there was any conversation using this space for social services and Mr. Larking explained in the past they did a study on where social services could be located and this was one of the sites under consideration. Based on that study, it was determined it was not an ideal location. The building was not worth saving, the roof was in poor condition, and Dr. Miller stated when they looked before to replace the roof it would be over \$400,000; Mr. Larking stated it would now be over \$1M to replace the roof. After discussion, Mayor Jones noted the recommendation was to tear it down; there were no objections from Council.

Mr. Legg noted the Masonic Temple was moving forward, getting the final construction drawings, and the IDA approved a loan to get that process down.

CLOSED MEETING

At 9:30 p.m., Vice Mayor Buckner **moved** that this meeting of the City Council of the City of Danville, Virginia be recessed and that Council immediately reconvene in a Closed Meeting for the following purposes: Discussion, consideration or interview of prospective candidates for employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, salaries, disciplining of specific public employees or appointees as permitted by Subsection (A) (1) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended and more specifically to consider the performance reviews of the City Manager, the City Attorney and City Clerk and the discussion or consideration of the acquisition or disposition of real property for a public purpose where discussion in an open meeting would adversely impact the bargaining position of the City as permitted by Subsection

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(A)(3) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended and more specifically to consider discussion regarding the sale and/or potential purchase of a specific parcel of property for use by the City of Danville and/or specific parcels of property for prospective recreational, industrial, commercial, and mixed use projects looking to locate to the City and parking facilities, and an Economic Development discussion and update concerning prospective businesses or industries where no previous announcement has been made and/or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made as permitted by Subsection (A)(5) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended and more specifically to consider an update on multiple prospective commercial, mixed use, hospitality, and industrial projects considering locating within the City and/or locating within the region in cooperation with the City's regional partners, and Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body as permitted by Subsection (A) (7) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Marshall
Mayo, Miller, Saunders and Vogler (9)
NAY: None (0)

Upon unanimous vote at 9:47 p.m., Council reconvened in open session and Vice Mayor Buckner **moved** for adoption of the following Resolution:

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Council convened in Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires a Certification by the Council that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each Member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of Virginia Law under Section 2.2-3711 were heard, discussed or considered, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Committee.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Marshall
Mayo, Miller, Saunders and Vogler (9)
NAY: None (0)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:49 P.M.

May 19, 2026

APPROVED:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

DRAFT

Council Letter City of Danville, Virginia



CL - 2888

WORK SESSION ITEMS 1.

City Council Work Session

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026

Subject: Vacation of Unimproved Right-of-Way on Old Farm Road and Starling Lane.

From: Brian Dunevant, Assistant Director of Public Works | City Engineer

COUNCIL ACTION

An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, Vacating Portions of Unimproved Public Right-of-Way on Old Farm Road and Starling Lane.

SUMMARY

Consideration of an ordinance to vacate portions of the unimproved public rights-of-way known as Old Farm Road and Starling Lane to facilitate property consolidation.

BACKGROUND

The adjacent property owner, Wanda E. Vaughan, has requested the vacation of approximately 0.77 acres of unimproved right-of-way on Old Farm Road and 0.87 acres of unimproved right-of-way on Starling Lane. As part of the vacation, the City will reserve a perpetual sanitary sewer easement over the existing public sanitary sewer facilities within the area. The applicant is responsible for the application fee, public hearing advertisement costs, recording fees, and consolidation of the vacated right-of-way with the adjoining parcels.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the attached ordinance to vacate the requested portions of the unimproved public rights-of-way, subject to the reservation of the perpetual sanitary sewer easement and the recording and consolidation requirements outlined in the ordinance.

Attachments

1. Ordinance
 2. Exhibit A
 3. Map
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PRESENTED: _____

ADOPTED: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-____ . ____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE,
VIRGINIA, VACATING PORTIONS OF UNIMPROVED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ON
OLD FARM ROAD AND STARLING LANE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2008 and 15.2-2008.1 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, the Council of the City of Danville intends to vacate portions of the unimproved public right-of-way on Old Farm Road, containing 0.77 acres, more or less, and the unimproved public right-of-way, known as Starling Lane, containing 0.87 acres, more or less, as depicted on Exhibit A, prepared by the Public Works Engineering office, which is attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference, for a more particular description of said right of way, at no cost other than the application fee, public hearing advertisement cost, and the recording fee; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the adjacent parcels, Wanda E. Vaughan, has requested in writing that a portion the unimproved rights-of-way on Old Farm Road, containing 0.70 acres, more or less, and Starling Lane, containing 0.87 acres, more or less, be vacated for the purpose of property consolidation; and

WHEREAS, Betsy and Matthew Clay, owners of adjacent Parcel ID #71343, are entitled to their portion of the vacated unimproved right-of-way on Old Farm Road, containing 0.07 acres, more or less; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the vacation of the public rights-of-way, the City of Danville hereby reserves unto itself a perpetual sanitary sewer easement over, across, and through the vacated areas for the purpose of operating, maintaining, inspecting, repairing, replacing, and reconstructing existing public sanitary sewer facilities and appurtenances, together with the right of ingress and egress reasonably necessary for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, Wanda E. Vaughan has agreed to pay the cost of the application fee, the public hearing advertisement cost, and the recording fee, and to consolidate said portions of right-of-way, along with the adjacent parcels, by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed; and

WHEREAS, the location of the permanent sanitary sewer easement will be shown on the consolidation plat; and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to vacate the aforementioned right-of-way at no cost other than the application fee, the public hearing advertisement cost, and the recording fee, but if the said portion of right-of-way is not consolidated by a separate plat by Wanda E. Vaughan recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia by the property owner within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed, such portion of right-of-way shall automatically revert back to right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that due notice has been given as required by law, that the portions of Old Farm Road and Starling Lane, proposed to be vacated, are not required for present or reasonably foreseeable public purposes, and that the proposed vacation is in the best interests of the City and the public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, that the unimproved public right-of-way on Old Farm Road, containing 0.77 acres, more or less, and that the unimproved right-of-way known as Starling Lane, containing 0.87 acres, more or less, as shown on Exhibit A, are hereby vacated and shall revert to the abutting property owners in accordance with Virginia law at no cost other than the application fee, public hearing advertisement cost and the recording fee, but if the said portion of right-of-way is not consolidated by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of

Danville, Virginia by the property owner within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed, such portion of right-of-way shall automatically revert back to right-of-way; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City any required deeds and agreements related thereto; and

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this Ordinance and Exhibit A be recorded and indexed in the Deed book at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia.

Approved:

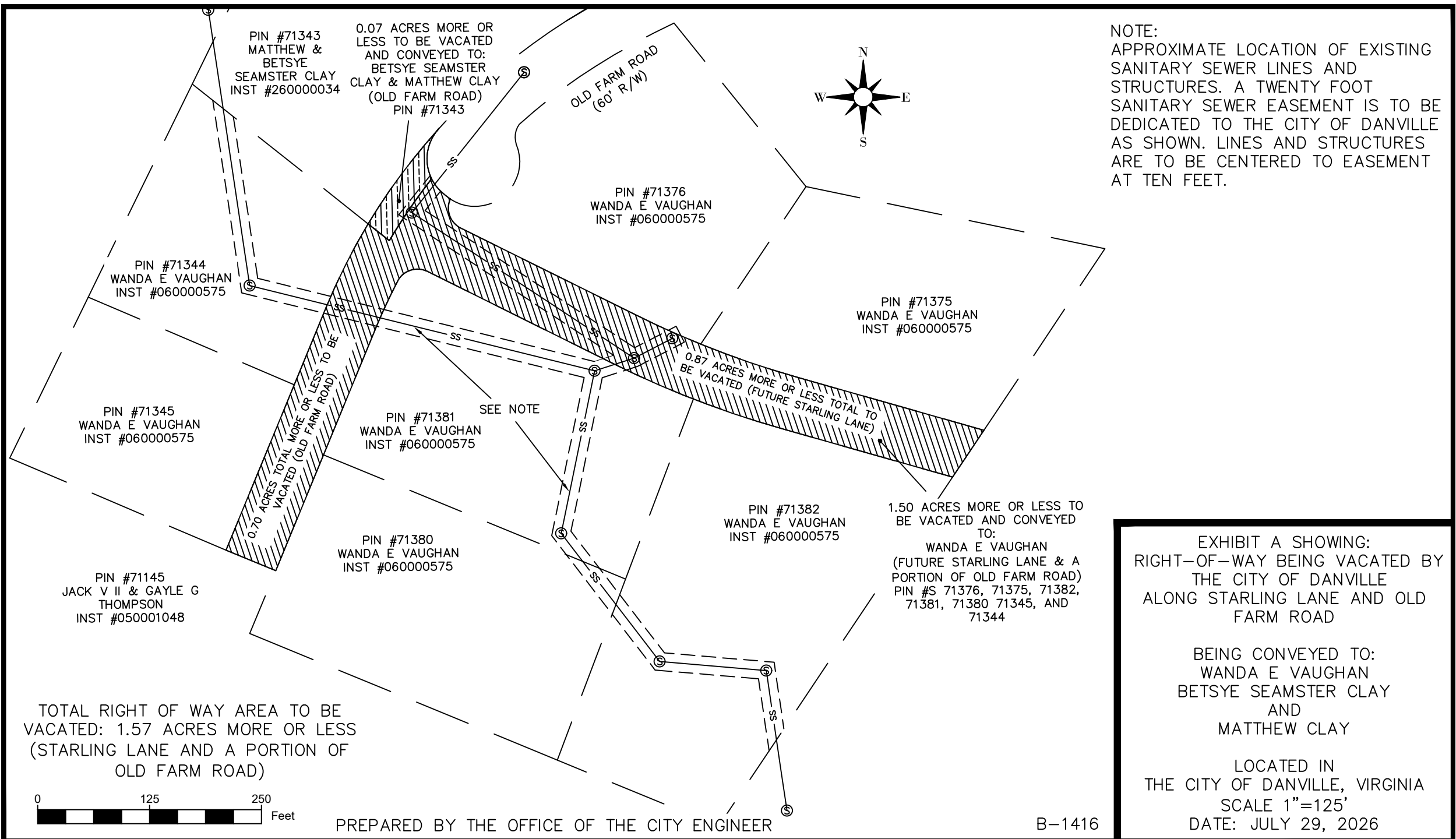
Mayor

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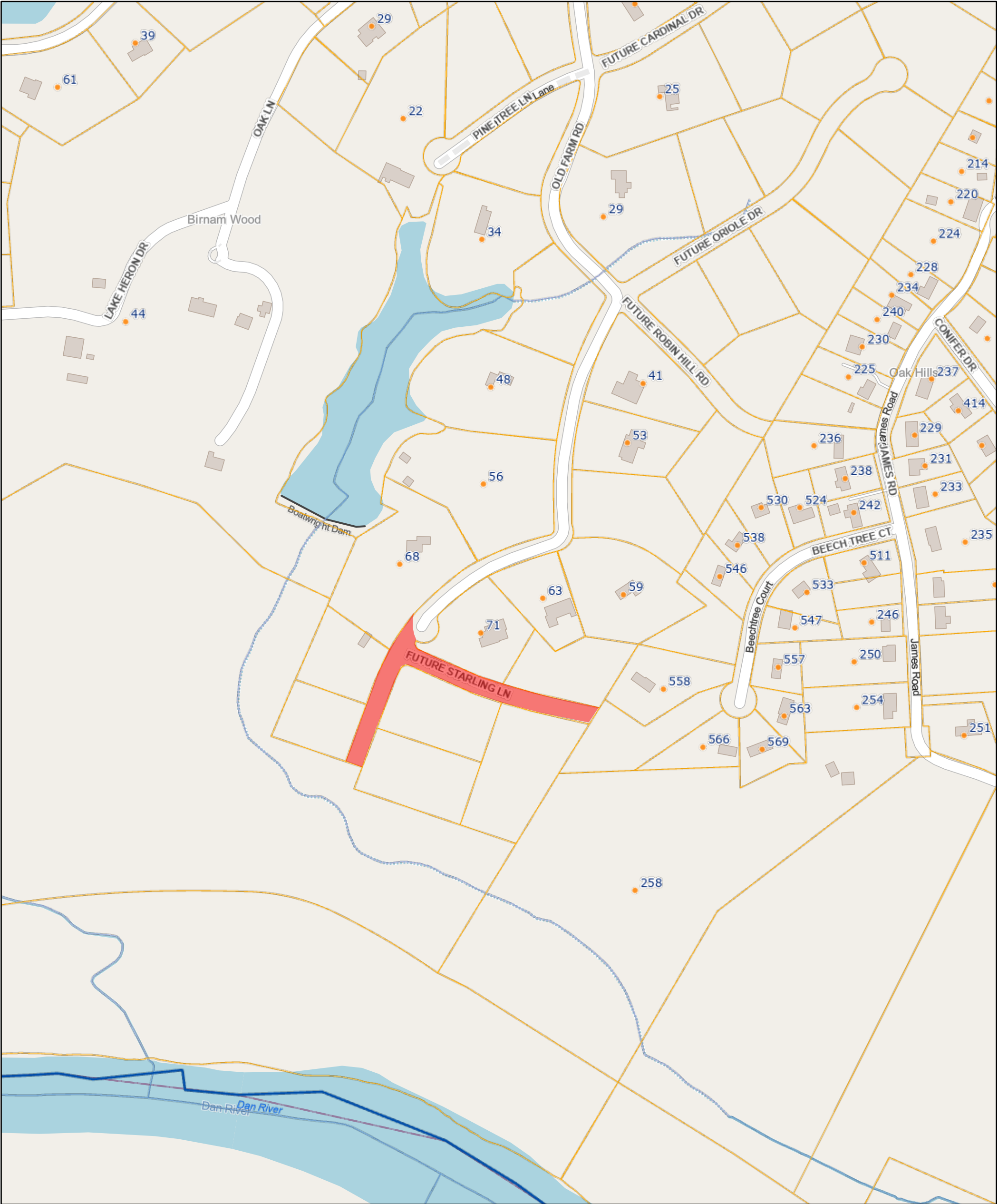
Clerk

Approved as to
Form and Legal Sufficiency:

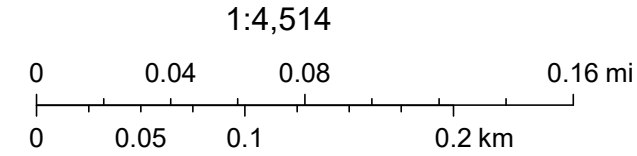
Deputy City Attorney



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Council Letter City of Danville, Virginia



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WORK SESSION ITEMS 2.

City Council Work Session

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026

Subject: Vacate Right-of-Way on Virginia Avenue.

From: Brian Dunevant, Assistant Director of Public Works | City Engineer

COUNCIL ACTION

An Ordinance Vacating Approximately 3,400 Square Feet of Unimproved Public Alley on Virginia Avenue.

SUMMARY

The owner of the property at 159 Virginia Avenue, has requested in writing that the City of Danville vacate approximately 3,400 square feet of unimproved public alley (public right-of-way) between her property and the property at 157 Virginia Avenue. This area is currently being used for parking by both property owners. Both property owners are in agreement to split the alley evenly, as shown in Attachment A and as described in Attachment B. All applicable city departments have reviewed the request and no concerns were indicated. Public notice has been published as required.

BACKGROUND

As authorized by Sections 15.2-2006 and 15.2-2008 of the Code of Virginia, the City may vacate public right-of-way or public alleys adjacent to private property. The applicant is responsible for the application fee, public hearing advertisement costs, recording fee, and consolidation of the vacated area with the adjoining parcels. Due to the terrain, there is no easy access to any lots that would be connected to this right of way except the adjacent property owners.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council adopt the accompanying ordinance vacating approximately 3,400 square feet of unimproved public alley located between 157 Virginia Avenue and 159 Virginia Avenue.

Attachments

1. Ordinance
 2. Exhibits A&B
 3. Reference Map
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PRESENTED: _____

ADOPTED: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-____ . ____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA VACATING APPROXIMATELY 3,400 SQUARE FEET OF UNIMPROVED PUBLIC ALLEY ON VIRGINIA AVENUE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2006 and 15.2-2008 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the governing body intends to move to vacate a portion of the unimproved public alley containing 3,400 square feet, more or less, to the abutting property owners at no cost other than the application fee, public hearing advertisement cost, and recording fee, as shown on Exhibit A and as described in Exhibit B, copies of which are attached hereto, and made a part hereof, for a more particular description of said right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, Karen Riano at 159 Virginia Avenue has requested in writing that the unimproved public alley be vacated to the adjacent properties identified as Property ID #23242, also known as 159 Virginia Avenue, and Property Identification Number 21751, also known as 157 Virginia Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Karen Riano has agreed to pay the cost of the application fee, public hearing advertisement cost, and recording fee and to consolidate and reference said portions of right-of-way, along with the adjacent parcels, by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed; and

WHEREAS, the adjacent property owner at Property ID #21751, also known as 157 Virginia Avenue, owned by Mary Ann Lewis, has agreed to the split of the vacated right-of-way as shown on Exhibit A and as described in Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to vacate the aforementioned right-of-way at no cost other than the application fee, public hearing advertisement cost, and recording fee

but if the said portion of right-of-way is not consolidated by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia by the property owner within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed, such portion of right-of-way shall automatically revert back to right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, it appears to the City Council that due notice of the aforesaid vacation has been given as required by law, and that such vacation would be in the best public interest.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, that a portion of the unimproved public alley located on Virginia Avenue containing 3,400 square, more or less, as shown on Exhibit A and as described in Exhibit B, copies of which is attached hereto, and made a part hereof, for a more particular description of said right-of-way, is hereby vacated and abandoned to the abutting property owners at Parcel ID #23242, also known as 159 Virginia Avenue, and Property ID #21751, also known as 157 Virginia Avenue, at no cost other than the application fee public hearing advertisement cost, and recording fee, but if the said portion of right-of-way is not consolidated by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia by the property owner within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed, such portion of right-of-way shall automatically revert back to right-of-way; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City any required deeds and agreements related thereto; and

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that a certified copy of this Ordinance be recorded and indexed in the Deed book at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia.

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk

Approved as to
Form and Legal Sufficiency:

City Attorney

EXHIBIT A
SHOWING ABANDONMENT OF
EXISTING 20' ALLEY ALONG
VIRGINIA AVE. AS SHOWN ON
D.B. 86 PG. 201
TOTAL AREA: 3,400 SF +/-

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE
OF THE CITY ENGINEER:
DIMENSIONS SHOWN ARE FOR
INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

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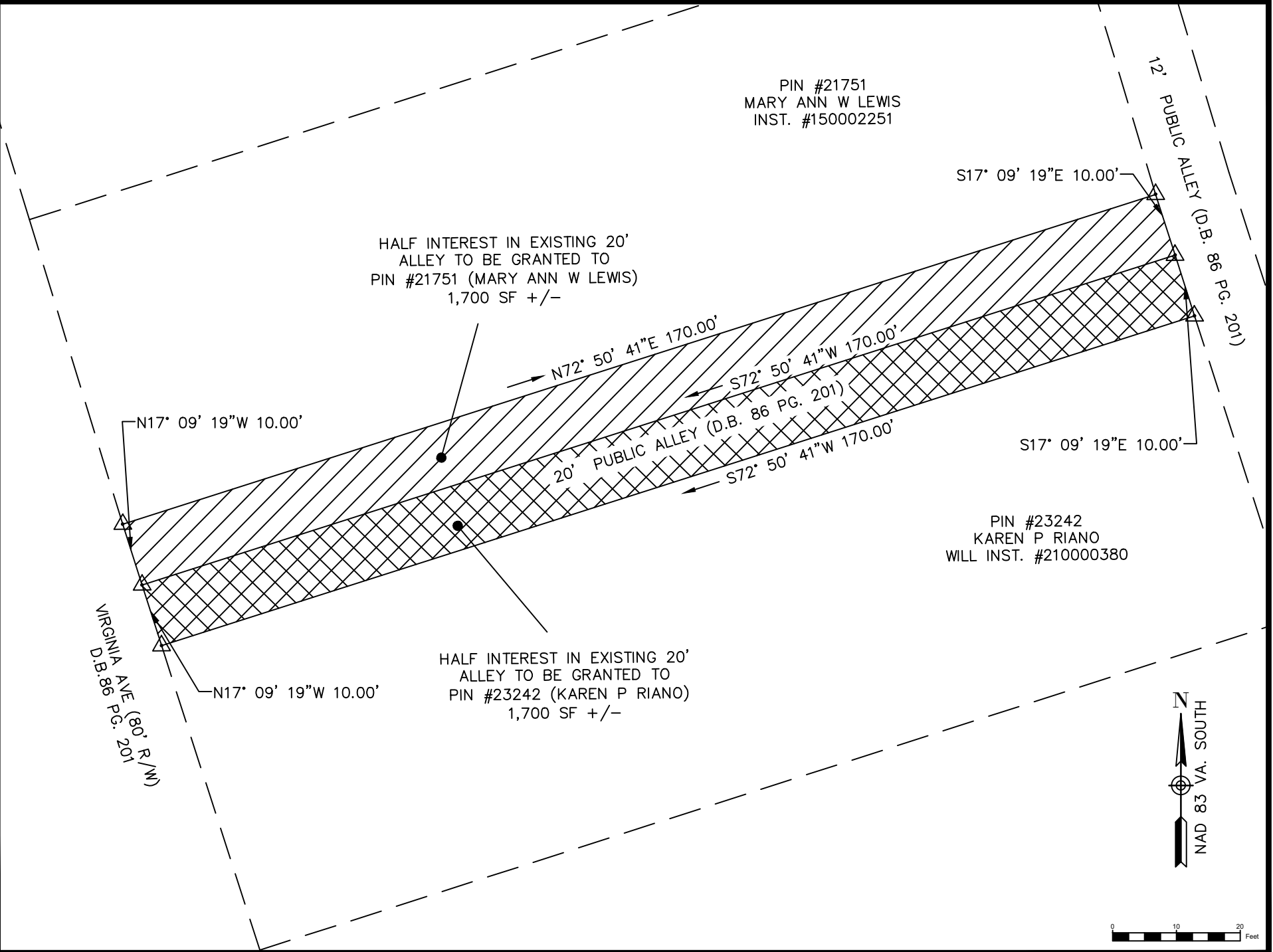


Exhibit B (Sheet 1 of 2)

Beginning at a point in the center of an existing twenty-foot alley and the easterly right of way of Virginia Avenue:

THENCE North $17^{\circ}09'19''$ West, 10.00 feet to a point in the easterly right of way of Virginia Avenue and the Northwestern corner of an existing twenty-foot alley;

THENCE North $72^{\circ}50'41''$ East, 170.00 feet to a point at the Northeast corner of an existing twenty-foot alley and the westerly side of an existing twelve-foot alley;

THENCE South $17^{\circ}09'19''$ East, 10.00 feet to a point in the center of an existing twenty-foot alley and the westerly side of an existing twelve-foot alley;

THENCE South $72^{\circ}50'41''$ West, 170.00 feet to the point and place of beginning.

Containing 1,700 square feet, more or less, as shown on the attached exhibit "A".

Being that portion of an existing twenty-foot alley as shown on that "Revised Map of The Mount Vernon Villa Co." performed by A.J. Pritchett, dated June 21, 1912, and recorded at Deed Book 86, Pages' 200 and 201, in the circuit court of the City Of Danville, VA.

Exhibit B (Sheet 2 of 2)

Beginning at a point at the southwesterly corner of an existing twenty-foot alley and the easterly right of way of Virginia Avenue:

THENCE North $17^{\circ}09'19''$ West, 10.00 feet to a point in the easterly right of way of Virginia Avenue and the center of an existing twenty-foot alley;

THENCE North $72^{\circ}50'41''$ East, 170.00 feet to a point at the center an existing twenty-foot alley and the westerly side of an existing twelve-foot alley;

THENCE South $17^{\circ}09'19''$ East, 10.00 feet to a point in the southeasterly corner of an existing twenty-foot alley and the westerly side of an existing twelve-foot alley;

THENCE South $72^{\circ}50'41''$ West, 170.00 feet to the point and place of beginning.

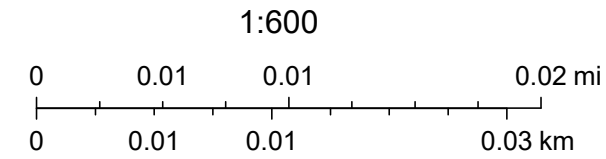
Containing 1,700 square feet, more or less, as shown on the attached exhibit "A".

Being that portion of an existing twenty-foot alley as shown on that "Revised Map of The Mount Vernon Villa Co." performed by A.J. Pritchett, dated June 21, 1912, and recorded at Deed Book 86, Pages' 200 and 201, in the circuit court of the City Of Danville, VA.

REFERENCE MAP



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WORK SESSION ITEMS 3.

City Council Work Session

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026

Subject: Vacation of Unimproved Right-of-Way on Cardinal Drive and Oriole Drive, and Vacate a Drainage Easement

From: Brian Dunevant, Assistant Director of Public Works | City Engineer

COUNCIL ACTION

An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia Vacating Portions of an Unimproved Public Right-of-Way on Cardinal Drive and Oriole Drive, and Vacating a 20-Foot Public Drainage Easement.

SUMMARY

Consideration of an ordinance to vacate approximately 1.03 acres of unimproved public right-of-way known as Cardinal Drive, approximately 1.33 acres of unimproved public right-of-way known as Oriole Drive, and an existing 20-foot public drainage easement, to facilitate the consolidation of adjacent properties under common ownership.

BACKGROUND

The owner of the adjacent parcels, Randy L. Weatherford, has requested the vacation of portions of the unimproved public rights-of-way known as Cardinal Drive and Oriole Drive, along with an existing 20-foot public drainage easement on Parcel Identification Numbers 71361 & 71362, to facilitate the consolidation of the adjoining parcels into a single property. The applicant will be responsible for all application fees, public hearing advertisement costs, recording fees, and the preparation and recordation of a subdivision plat consolidating the vacated areas with the adjoining parcels. The ordinance further provides that if the consolidation plat is not recorded within two (2) years of the ordinance becoming effective, the vacation shall automatically become void and the vacated public rights-of-way and drainage easement shall revert to their former status. City departments have reviewed the request and determined that the rights-of-way and drainage easement are not required for present or reasonably foreseeable public purposes.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the attached ordinance vacating portions of unimproved right-of-way on Cardinal Drive and Oriole Drive and the existing 20-foot public drainage easement, subject to the conditions contained within the ordinance.

Attachments

1. Ordinance
 2. EXHIBIT A
 3. MAP
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PRESENTED: _____

ADOPTED: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-____ . ____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA VACATING PORTIONS OF AN UNIMPROVED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ON CARDINAL DRIVE AND ORIOLE DRIVE AND VACATING A 20-FOOT PUBLIC DRAINAGE EASEMENT.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2008 and 15.2-2008.1 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, the Council of the City of Danville intends to vacate portions of the unimproved public right-of-way known as Cardinal Drive, containing 1.01 acres, more or less, and the unimproved public right-of-way, known as Oriole Drive, containing 1.37 acres, more or less, together with a 20-foot public drainage easement located on Parcel ID #71361 and #71362, as depicted on Exhibit A, prepared by Lake Life Architecture, which is attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference, for a more particular description of said right of way, at no cost other than the application fee, public hearing advertisement cost, and the recording fee; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the adjacent parcels, Randy L. Weatherford, has requested in writing that a portion the unused, unimproved rights-of-way known as Cardinal Drive and Oriole Drive, together with a 20-foot public drainage easement, be vacated for the purpose of property consolidation; and

WHEREAS, Randy L. Weatherford has agreed to pay the cost of the application fee, the public hearing advertisement cost, and the recording fee, and to consolidate said portion of right-of-way, along with the adjacent parcels, by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed; and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to vacate the aforementioned right-of-way and easement at no cost other than the application fee, the public hearing advertisement cost, and the recording fee, but if the said portion of right-of-way is not consolidated by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia by the property owner within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed, such portion of right-of-way shall automatically revert back to right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that due notice has been given as required by law, that the portions of Cardinal Drive and Oriole Drive proposed to be vacated, together with a 20-foot public drainage easement, are not required for present or reasonably foreseeable public purposes, and that the proposed vacation is in the best interests of the City and the public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, that the unimproved public right-of-way, known as Cardinal Drive, containing 1.03 acres, more or less, and that the unimproved right-of-way, known as Oriole Drive, containing 1.33 acres, more or less, together with the existing 20-foot public drainage easement located on Parcel ID #71361 and #71362, as shown on Exhibit A, are hereby vacated and abandoned to the abutting property owner of the adjacent parcels, Randy L. Weatherford, at no cost other than the application fee and public hearing advertisement cost, but if the said portion of right-of-way is not consolidated by a separate plat recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Danville, Virginia by the property owner within two (2) years of the date this ordinance of vacation is executed, such portion of right-of-way shall automatically revert back to right-of-way; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City any required deeds and agreements related thereto; and

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this Ordinance and Exhibit
A be recorded and indexed in the Deed book at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the
City of Danville, Virginia.

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk

Approved as to
Form and Legal Sufficiency:

Deputy City Attorney



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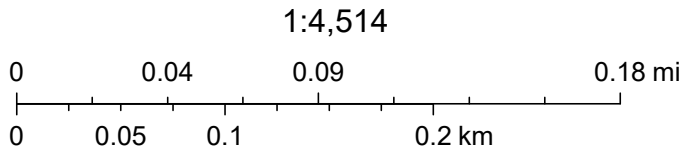
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WORK SESSION ITEMS 4.

City Council Work Session

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026

Subject: Major Projects and Space Needs Assessment Update.

From: Rick Drazenovich, Director of Public Works

COUNCIL ACTION

Major Projects and Space Needs Assessment Update.

SUMMARY

Staff will present the City's progress toward meeting various City space needs. The presentation will also include updates on other major capital projects.

Attachments

None
