

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Disposition of Public Alleyway on the West Side of 12th Avenue, East of Southern Street
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to sell city-owned property to adjacent landowner, Freedom Investments LLC, in accordance with section 7-501, paragraph 5, of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City property.
INITIATED BY:	Community Reinvestment

Recommendation: Approval is requested to sell city-owned property to adjacent landowner, Freedom Investments LLC, in accordance with section 7-501, paragraph 5, of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City property.

Background: The City owns the public alleyway on the west side of 12th Avenue, east of Southern Street. The Columbus Charter Section 7-501, Paragraph 5 permits the sale of property that is not needed for public purposes to adjoining landowners at Fair Market value based on at least one appraisal. The adjoining landowner located at 2215 12th Avenue, Freedom Investments LLC, is interested in purchasing the public alleyway for the purpose of property expansion. Freedom Investments LLC will bid the appraised value of \$13,000, including any other fees incurred by the City. A map of the property is attached. A resolution is needed to sell to the adjacent landowner after the advertisement is complete, as outlined by Columbus Charter Section 7-501, Paragraph 5.

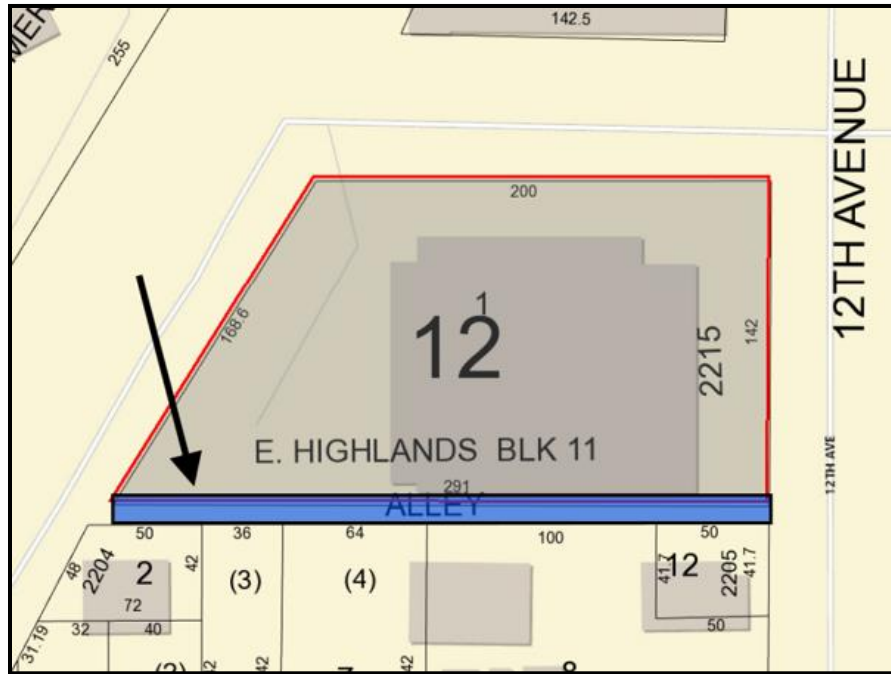
Analysis: It has been determined to be in the best interest of the City to sell the property.

Financial Considerations: The property and any related improvements will be returned to the tax digest, and public works will no longer need to use resources to maintain said portion of the right-of-way.

Legal Considerations: The property must be advertised and sold in accordance with Section 7-501, Paragraph 5 of the Columbus Charter.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to sell city-owned property to adjacent landowner, Freedom Investments LLC, in accordance with section 7-501, paragraph 5, of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or designee to execute all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the conveyance of City property.

MAP OF PROPERTY



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

All that tract or parcel of land being an Alleyway located in Block 11, East Highlands (aka Comer Survey), lying in and being part of Land Lot 56, Coweta Reserve, Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia, being more particularly described as follows: Commence at an iron stake marking the intersection of the southerly line of 23rd Street and the easterly line of Southern Street; thence South 27 degrees 41 minutes 04 seconds West, along the easterly line of Southern Street, 164.66 feet to an iron stake on the northerly line of an Alley and the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence leaving Southern Street, North 87 degrees 37 minutes 11 seconds East, along the northerly line of said Alley, 282.56 feet to an iron stake on the westerly line of 12th Avenue; then South 02 degrees 27 minutes 44 seconds East, along the westerly line of 12th Avenue, 15.41 feet to a rebar & cap on the southerly line of Alley; thence leaving 12th Avenue, South 87 degrees 37 minutes 11 seconds West, along the southerly line of said Alley, 291.47 feet to a rebar & cap on the easterly line of Southern Street; thence North 27 degrees 41 minutes 04 seconds East, along the easterly line of Southern Street, 17.80 feet to an iron stake and the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 0.10 acres.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO SELL CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO ADJACENT LANDOWNER, FREEDOM INVESTMENTS LLC, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7-501 PARAGRAPH 5 OF THE COLUMBUS CHARTER, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS AND UNDERSTANDINGS RELATED TO THE CONVEYANCE OF CITY PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the public alleyway on the west side of 12th Avenue, east of Southern Street, adjacent to the property at 2215 12th Avenue is owned exclusively by the Columbus Consolidated Government; and,

WHEREAS, the Columbus Consolidated Government has no current or future use or plans for said properties; and,

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Government may authorize the transfer of property to an adjacent landowner, the adoption of a resolution by the Council finding that the property is not needed for public purposes and that the adjacent landowner will pay fair market value for the property as shown by at least one appraisal; and,

WHEREAS, the other adjacent landowner has given written notice that they are not interested in purchasing the property; and,

WHEREAS, Freedom Investments LLC has given written notice that they are interested in purchasing the property; and,

WHEREAS, surplus real property owned by the Columbus Consolidated Government, which has appreciable monetary value and is to be acquired by adjacent landowners, must be conveyed in accordance with paragraph (5) of Section 7-501 of the Columbus Charter.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to convey said property described above to the adjoining landowner, Freedom Investments LLC, located at 2215 12th Avenue, upon completion of the procedures required by Section 7-501 (5) of the Columbus Charter, and to authorize the Mayor or his designee to execute all contracts, agreements and understandings related to the conveyance.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the on the _____ day of _____ 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____
Councilor Barnes voting	_____
Councilor Chambers voting	_____
Councilor Cogle voting	_____
Councilor Cook voting	_____
Councilor Crabb voting	_____
Councilor Davis voting	_____
Councilor Garrett voting	_____
Councilor Huff voting	_____
Councilor Tucker voting	_____

Lindsey G. Mclemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor