



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 10/25/2022

REQUESTER: Ken Danner, Subdivision Development Manager

PRESENTER: Shawn O'Leary, Director of Public Works

TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2223-10 UPON FIRST READING BY TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, REQUESTING CLOSURE OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED EAST OF TOLLIE DRIVE BETWEEN LOT 4, BLOCK 7 AND LOT 1, BLOCK 8, HANLY ADDITION.

BACKGROUND:

This is a request for closing a certain platted right-of-way (typically used for street and utility purposes). The property is generally located south of Alameda Street and west of 12th Avenue S.E.

DISCUSSION:

The applicant's representatives have made a request to close a certain right-of-way (platted for street purposes known as Creston Way) located east of Tollie Drive between Lot 4, Block 7 and Lot 1, Block 8, Hanly Addition. The final plat Hanly Addition, Block's 5-6-7 & 8 was filed of record with the Cleveland County Clerk on February 25, 1953. The right-of-way (Creston Way) is specifically located east of Tollie Drive. There are existing utilities running north and south within the eastern portion of the right-of-way and a reserved utility easement was requested by some of the Utility Companies.

Planning Commission, at its meeting of September 11, 2022, recommended rejection by a vote of 7-0. There was a protest from an adjacent property owner to the east regarding her need to be able to utilize the right-of-way at any time including in the future.

If approved, the closed public right-of-way will revert to private ownership. The existing parcels on each side of the existing right-of-way, Lot, 4, Block 7 and Lot 1, Block 8 of the Hanly Addition will each receive half of the right-of-way or a parcel that is 25' X 120' or 3,000 square feet.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the fact a public street has never been constructed within this right-of-way, staff has supported the closure as described in the applicant's request.