

# **Development Services Staff Report**

File Number PL2024-203

**File Name** VACATION OF EASEMENT **Applicant** WI Pryor Crossing, LLC

**Property Address** 1424 NW Pryor Rd & 1450 NW Pryor Rd

Planning Commission Date October 24, 2024

**Heard by** Planning Commission and City Council

**Analyst** Claire Byers, Senior Planner

# **Public Notification**

Pre-application held: N/A

Neighborhood meeting conducted: N/A Newspaper notification published on: N/A

Radius notices mailed to properties within 300 feet on: N/A

Site posted notice on: N/A

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### **Attachments**

Easement Exhibit and Legal Description, dated September 23, 2024

**Location Map** 

# 1. Project Data and Facts

Project Data		
Applicant/Status	WI Pryor Crossing, LLC / Applicant & Property Owner	
Applicant's Representative	Cathy Counti	
Location of Property	1424 NW Pryor Rd & 1450 NW Pryor Rd	
Size of Property	5.94 acres (1424 NW Pryor Rd) & 5.25 acres (1450 NW	
	Pryor Rd	
Zoning	AG (Agricultural)	
Comprehensive Plan Designation	Mixed Use	
Procedure	The Planning Commission makes a recommendation to the City Council on the vacation of easement. The City Council takes final action on the vacation of easement in the form of an ordinance.  Duration of Validity: Approval of the vacation of easement does not expire unless stated in the approval.	

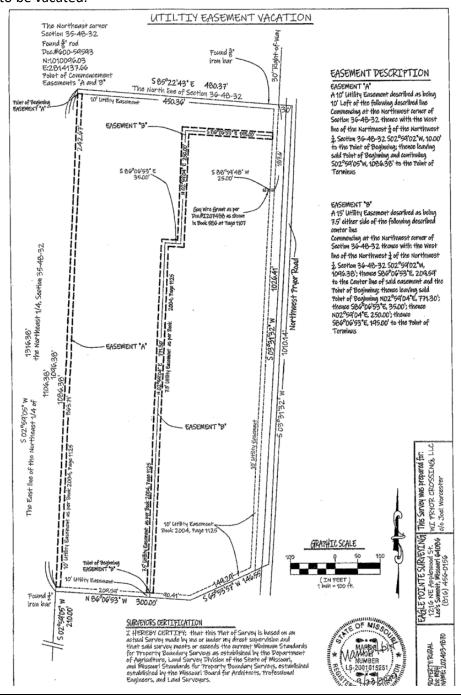
# **Current Land Use**

The subject 5.94-acre and 5.25-acre properties are adjacent to one another and developed with one existing single-family home per lot.



## **Description of Applicant's Request**

The applicant requests to vacate a 10' utility easement along the western property line of 1424 NW Pryor Rd, and a 7.5' utility easement on either side of the shared lot line between the two properties (15' total). The applicant has also applied for a rezoning and a minor plat to adjust the lot lines that would conflict with the current easement locations. The rezoning was heard before the Planning Commission in August of 2024, and approved by Ordinance No. 10002 in October of 2024. There are no utilities located within the easements to be vacated.



## 2. Land Use

### **Description and Character of Surrounding Area**

The subject properties are generally located on SW Pryor Rd, north of Interstate 470. The northern property line is the City boundary, with the parcels directly north in both Kansas City and Unity Village jurisdictions. The properties immediately surrounding the subject sites are zoned AG and R-1 with an existing single-family residential home to the south.

# **Adjacent Land Uses and Zoning**

North:	Single-family residences / R-80, Residential (Kansas City jurisdiction) & Unity Village	
South:	Single-family residence / R-1, Single-Family Residential	
East (across NW Pryor Rd):	Vacant / NG Agricultural	
West:	Vacant / AG, Agricultural	

### **Site Characteristics**

The subject properties are each home to a single-family residence, and have access points along NW Pryor Rd. The northern portions of the lots are heavily wooded. The topography slopes downward from the dwellings towards the northwestern and southwestern boundaries, with a change in elevation of over 50 feet.



# **Special Considerations**

N/A

# 3. Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)

Section	Description
2.480, 2.490	Vacation of Easement

### **Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)**

The vacation of easement is needed to clear the property of encumbrances as part of concurrent rezoning and minor plat applications. City policy supports the vacation of utility easements that are unused.

# 4. Comprehensive Plan

Focus Areas	Goals, Objectives & Policies
	Objective: Maintain high-quality service levels for
	existing and future customers.
Facilities and Infrastructure	Objective: Maintain high-quality infrastructure that supports and entices quality growth.

#### **Comprehensive Plan**

The proposed vacation of easement does not compromise the ability to implement and/or achieve any policies, goals or objectives outlined in the Ignite! Comprehensive Plan. The subject portion of easement does not house any utilities.

# 5. Analysis

### **Background and History**

- December 30, 1964 Approximately 24,429 acres were annexed into the corporate limits of Lee's Summit by Ordinance No. 812. The subject properties were included in the annexation.
- 1965 The existing single-family dwelling on 1450 NW Pryor Rd was built per Jackson County Assessor data.
- 1990- The existing single-family dwelling on 1424 NW Pryor Rd was built per Jackson County Assessor data.
- April 5, 1990 The Jackson County Recorder of Deeds office recorded the subdivision plat Harriett Hill Lots 1 & 2 by Instrument No. 1990I0969601
- April 5, 1990 The subject utility easements were dedicated to the City of Lee's Summit via separate document recorded by Document No. 1990-I-965778, as depicted on the Harriett Hill subdivision plat.
- October 8, 2024 A 3.2-acre portion of 1424 and 1450 NW Pryor Rd was rezoned from AG to RDR by Ordinance No. 10002, in order to replat both properties.

### Compatibility

The request to vacate the subject easement is consistent with the City's practice of managing its inventory of easements by eliminating easements in whole or in part that do not serve a public purpose. The subject easement contains no utilities and thus does not serve a public purpose.

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### **Adverse Impacts**

The proposed vacation of easement application will not negatively impact the use or aesthetics of any neighboring property, nor does it negatively impact the health, safety and welfare of the public.

### **Public Services**

No objection to the requested vacation was expressed by the private utility companies or the City's Public Works and Water Utilities Departments.

### Recommendation

With the conditions of approval below, the application meets the requirements of the UDO and Design and Construction Manual (DCM).

# 6. Recommended Conditions of Approval

# **Site Specific**

1. The vacation of easement shall become effective immediately at the time of ordinance approval.

# **Standard Conditions of Approval**

2. The ordinance approving the vacation of easement shall be recorded with the Jackson County Recorder of Deeds office and a copy of the recorded document shall be returned to the Development Services Department for the City's records.