ORDINANCE 2016-35

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, VACATING AN ALLEY BETWEEN 351 AND 401 E. PIERCE STREET WITHIN THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN

WHEREAS, the Town Council ("Council") of the Town of Whitestown ("Town"), Indiana, has received a petition ("Petition"), pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-7-3-12, requesting that the Town abandon and vacate an alley within the corporate limits of the Town located between 351 and 401 E. Pierce Street ("Vacation"); and

WHEREAS, Ind. Code § 36-7-3-12(c) requires that the Town Council hold a hearing on the Petition; and

WHEREAS, the Town has provided notice of the Petition and the time and place of the hearing pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-7-3-12(c); and

WHEREAS, the Town Council convened a public hearing on the Petition and Vacation on October 12, 2016, where any person aggrieved by the proposed Vacation was permitted to object; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Petition is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A, and a survey containing a legal description and map of the Vacation Area is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit B.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, as follows:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein by this reference as though fully set forth herein.

2. Having considered the Petition and all other evidence and testimony received at the public hearing, the Town Council hereby makes the following affirmative findings with regard to the Petition:

   a. The Vacation will not hinder the growth or orderly development of the Town or neighborhood in which the vacated area is located or to which it is contiguous;

   b. The Vacation will not make access to the lands of any aggrieved person by means of public way difficult or inconvenient;

   c. The Vacation will not hinder the public’s access to a church, school, or other public building or place;

   d. The Vacation will not hinder the use of a public way by the neighborhood in which it is located or to which it is contiguous; and

   f. The Vacation is of public utility and benefit.
3. Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-7-3-12, the Town Council, by Ordinance, hereby grants the Petition attached as Exhibit A and vacates the area described and depicted in the attached Exhibit B.

4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption; provided, however, that the Vacation shall be effective (a) thirty (30) days from the date of adoption of the Ordinance if no appeal is filed pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-7-3-13 during said thirty (30) days ("Appeal"), or (b) upon final resolution of any timely Appeal.

5. The Clerk-Treasurer shall furnish a copy of this Ordinance to the County Recorder for recording and to the County Auditor.

Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, on Oct 12, 2016.

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHitestown, INDIANA

Eric Miller, President

Susan Austin, Vice-President

Kevin Russell

Clintoon Bohm

ATTEST: Jeffrey Wishek

Matt Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Whitestown, Indiana 3047729
EXHIBIT 1

Petition
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF BOONE COUNTY

BEFORE THE TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF WHitestown,
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF:

______________________________
MICHAEL JASIOBOWSKI
______________________________
KATHYJNA JASIONOWSKI

PETITION TO VACATE ALLEY

Comes now the Petitioner, in person and for his/her/their Petition to
Vacate certain undeveloped platted alley(s) located within the Town of Whitestown, Boone
County, State of Indiana would allege and say:

1. The Petitioner is responsible for the property known as: (address)
   401 E. PIERCE ST, WHITESTOWN, IN 46075, consisting
   of approximately .5 acres, in along E. PIERCE ST. and LINVILLE AVE.
   Whitestown, Indiana, legal address of 06-08-19-000-001,073-019, a copy of the
   most recent survey of said acreage and a copy of the plat is incorporated herein
   by reference and is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and "B", respectfully.

2. The Petitioner seeks to have vacated:
   a. A platted and undeveloped alley that commences approximately
      12 feet east to west by 223 feet north to south, west of
      401 E. PIERCE ST, that consists of a strip of land unused and not
      maintained by the Town of Whitestown.

3. The following utility easement(s) exist in the alley
   a. None
   b. Power line to street lights for Pierce St (non-buried)

4. The alley Petitioner seeks to vacate although platted has never been
   developed.

5. The platted and undeveloped alley Petitioner seeks to vacate is located
   such that the following land owner(s) are appurtenant thereto:

6. The Petitioner has provided written notice to all persons whose property
   touches the above described alley of Petitioner's intention to vacate alley.

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BRANDI K. MURPHY
7. The Petitioner requests that the Whitestown Town Council abandon and vacate the alley, excluding the rights to use the existing utility poles for any utility purpose as described in 2a above and highlighted on the attached survey.

WHHERFORE, the Petitioner, **MICHAEL JASONOWSKI** and **KATHERIN JASONOWSKY**, request that the Town Council of Whitestown, Indiana pursuant to I.C. 36-7-3-12, abandon and vacate the alley, enter an Order so vacating the property, and for all other proper relief requested.

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the representations herein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: **5-30-14**

Petitioner(s), Signature
EXHIBIT 2

Legal Description of Vacation Area

EXHIBIT “A”

ALLEY VACATION

TOWN OF WHitestown, Indiana

Alley Vacation

A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 18 North, Range 2 East in Boone County, Indiana, described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of the land of John D. III and Brandi D.S. Murphy, State Parcel Number 06-08-19-00-001.008-019 also being the southwest intersection of East Pierce Street and an existing alley; thence east 16’ to the northwest corner of the land of Michael and Kate Jasionowski, State Parcel Number 06-08-19-00-001.073-019 also being the southeast intersection of East Pierce Street and an existing alley; thence south along the west line of said Jasionowski to the southwest corner of the land of said Jasionowski also being the northeast intersection of Linville Avenue and an existing alley; thence west 16’ to the southeast corner of said Murphy, also being the northwest intersection of Linville Avenue and an existing alley; thence north along the east line of said Murphy 221’ to the Point of Beginning containing 3,536 square feet more or less.

SEE EXHIBIT “B”
EXHIBIT 2 (cont.)

Map of Vacation Area

EAST PIERCE STREET

Point of Beginning
NORTHEAST CORNER
OF MURPHY

NORTHWEST CORNER
OF JASIONOWSKI

JOHN D. H & DANDI D.S. MURPHY
PARCEL #
06-08-19-010-001.008 010

MICHAEL H. KATE JASIONOWSKI
PARCEL #
06-08-19-009-001.075-013

SOUTHEAST CORNER
OF MURPHY

SOUTHWEST CORNER
OF JASIONOWSKI

LINVILLE AVENUE

EXHIBIT "B"

ALLEY VACATION

ms consultants, inc.
engineers, architects, planners

CHECKED:
DJS 9/11/16

SCALE: 1"=40'

DRAWN:

DATE:

STATE OF INDIANA  )  BEFORE THE TOWN COUNCIL
COUNTY OF BOONE COUNTY )  TOWN OF WHITESTOWN,
)  BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: )

PETITION TO VACATE ALLEY

Comes now the Petitioner, John D. Murphy, in person and for his/her/their Petition to
Vacate certain undeveloped platted alley(s) located within the Town of Whitestown, Boone
County, State of Indiana would allege and say:

1. The Petitioner is responsible for the property known as: (address)
   351 E. Pierce Street, consisting of approximately 0.85 acres, in along E. Pierce Street
   Whitestown, Indiana, legal address of 018-02990-00, a copy of the most recent survey of
   said acreage and a copy of the plat is incorporated herein by reference and is attached hereto
   as Exhibit "A" and "B", respectfully.

2. The Petitioner seeks to have vacated:

   a. A platted and undeveloped alley that commences approximately
      14 feet east to west by 723 feet north to south, west of
      351 E. Pierce St that consists of a strip of land unused and not
      maintained by the Town of Whitestown.

3. The following utility easement(s) exist in the alley

   a. None
   b. Power line to street lights for Pierce St (non-buried)

4. The alley Petitioner seeks to vacate although platted has never been
   developed.

5. The platted and undeveloped alley Petitioner seeks to vacate is located
   such that the following land owner(s) are appurtenant thereto:

[Signatures]

6. The Petitioner has provided written notice to all persons whose property
   touches the above described alley of Petitioner’s intention to vacate alley.
7. The Petitioner requests that the Whitestown Town Council abandon and vacate the alley, excluding the rights to use the existing utility poles for any utility purpose as described in 2a above and highlighted on the attached survey.

WHENCE, the Petitioner, John D Murphy and request that the Town Council of Whitestown, Indiana pursuant to I.C. 36-7-3-12, abandon and vacate the alley, enter an Order so vacating the property, and for all other proper relief requested

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the representations herein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: 7/17/2016  

Petitioner(s), Signature
Picture 2 – From Linville in the back.
Mr. Norton,

My name is John Murphy and I live at 351 E. Pierce Street. I am sorry that I missed you today. I wanted to stop by and speak with you about the Alley on the West Side of my home. We have lived at 351 E. Pierce Street since 1998. During the last 17 years, the Alley has only been used as our Driveway. No one uses it as an Alley and the back half has turned back to grass. With the current Alley assessment being done by the town, it was a good time to ask that the Alley be vacated because it is no longer an Alley.

I am leaving this request with you to be presented at the next available Town Council Meeting. You have already spoken with my neighbor Mike at 401 E. Pierce Street. With the request I have added pictures of the Alley so you can see that it looks like a Driveway and not an Alley. The picture from Linville Ave just looks like someone’s backyard. If you have any questions, please let me know. I will follow up with you in the next few days to see what the next steps are.

Thank you,

John Murphy

317-677-3360