



MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the City Council
c/o Shamoyia Gardiner Legislative Director, Council President's Office

From: J Hardy, Special Assistant/ Constituent Liaison

Date: June 25, 2025

Re: 25-0079 Sale of Property – Sale of Property – Certain Streets Lying Within the Area
Bounded by Riggs Avenue, N. Payson Street, West Lafayette Avenue and the Land of
National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak)

Position: Support

The Department of Real Estate submits this report in support of City Council Bill 25-0079, which authorizes the Mayor and City Council to sell all interest in parcels of land known as portions of certain streets within the area bounded by Riggs Avenue, N Payson Street, W Lafayette Avenue, and the land of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), as shown on Plat 316-C-5 Group A filed with the Department of Transportation.

The property includes two main parcels (Parcel A and Parcel D), totaling approximately 32,308 square feet, which are no longer needed for public use. The parcels are adjacent to active rail infrastructure and as part of the disposition, a full-width Perpetual Easement for all Municipal Utilities and Services will be retained across the described parcels.

This ordinance facilitates the strategic reuse of unused City right-of-way and supports improved coordination between the City and Amtrak, as well as potentially other infrastructure or developments.

The Department supports this action as a practical measure to dispose of surplus land, reduce the City's maintenance responsibilities, and promote long-term planning that aligns with public infrastructure needs.

For the reasons stated above, the Department of Real Estate supports the passage of Bill 25-0079.

CC:

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