

October 22, 2020

Via Email (ndickerson@lexingtonky.gov)

Mr. Nathan Dickerson, Administrative Officer Department of Environmental Quality & Public Works 200 E. Main Street, 9th Floor Lexington, Kentucky 40507

Re: Powell Street Closure

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Please be advised that I represent Community Ventures Properties, LLC and Community Ventures Corporation (collectively "Community Ventures"). Community Ventures is the owner of every piece of property that directly abuts Powell Street. This includes: 239, 243, 245, 249, 251, 255, and 257 Warnock Street, 519 Goodloe Street, as well as 237-243 and 251 Powell Street. On behalf of my clients, I am requesting that Powell Street be closed to facilitate development of the area. A true and accurate drawing of the proposed closure and legal description are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

As the City is aware, the initial communication, between Community Ventures and the City, raised concerns that closure of Powell Street would create landlocked parcels for the properties with an address of 237-243 Powell Street and 251 Powell Street. However, as is clearly shown on the Consolidation Plat, a true and accurate copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, the properties with an address of 519 Goodloe Street, 237-243 Powell Street, and 251 Powell Street will be consolidated into a single parcel. This should eliminate any concerns on behalf of the City with regard to parcels becoming landlocked as a result of the Powell Street closure.

Currently, Powell Street is seldom, if at all, used for thoroughfare traffic. Powell Street, while it does have a street sign, is an unimproved grass and gravel road. Powell Street provides no primary point of access for any property. As shown on the Consolidation Plat, the remaining property that will abut Powell Street will be able to be accessed via Goodloe Street. Thus, the closure of Powell Street will neither inhibit nor prevent any property owner from accessing their property.

The closure of Powell Street will facilitate development and hopefully spur future development in the East End of downtown Lexington. Community Ventures is focused on turning Powell Street into a community based green space where artists and artisans alike can create, communicate, and cohabitate in a general area with their focus on honing their artistic abilities while also selling their products to the general public. Community Ventures is confident



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this will bring new life and attitude to the East End of downtown to the benefit of the public at large.

As is explained above, Powell Street has currently fallen into disrepair. Powell Street is not formally paved and is nothing more than a gravel and grass street. Powell Street does not connect to any other street and is a dead-end. Further, there is little to no lighting on Powell Street. The closure of Powell Street will eliminate any requirement by the City to maintain and provide adequate lighting for the general public on Powell Street. This closure will increase the safety of persons traveling in and around the Powell Street area.

In sum, we believe this request is reasonable and approvable. We believe there will be no negative impact on the surrounding neighborhood and will help to spur development and future investments in the East End of downtown Lexington. We look forward to discussing this further with yourself and the necessary representatives. Should you or anyone else from the City require any clarifications or have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Thank you for your consideration of our request, and your service to the citizens of Lexington.

Sincerely.

SCOTT A. SCHUETTE

SAS/ss Enclosures

cc: Community Ventures Corporation Community Ventures Properties, LLC

4837-0499-2463, v. 1

Proposed Closure of Powell Street Lexington, Fayette County, Kentucky

Being all of the public right-of-way of of Powell Street in Lexington, Fayette County, Kentucky and being located approximately 103 feet northwest from the intersection of the northwesterly right-ofway line of Warnock Street and the northeasterly line of Goodloe Street, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a 5/8" diameter rebar with plastic surveyor's cap (found, PLS 3350) on the northeasterly right-of-way line of said Goodloe Street, set point being the southwest corner of Community Ventures Properties, LLC (Deed Book 3683, Page 490; Lot 3 of Plat Cabinet "S", Slide 89), said point being the intersection of the northeasterly right-of-way line of said Goodloe Street and the northwesterly right-of-way line of said Powell Street, and said point having Kentucky State Plane Coordinates of N(Y) =197,935.42 feet, E(X) =1,572,374.01 feet (NAD 83, KY North Zone, US survey feet); thence with the Community Ventures Properties, LLC (Deed Book 3683, Page 490; Lot 3 of Plat Cabinet "S", Slide 89), for two (2) calls:

North 48°32'28" East a distance of 110.00 feet to a 5/8" diameter rebar with plastic surveyor's cap (found, PLS 3350); thence

North 48°15'36" East a distance of 154.73 feet to a 5/8" diameter rebar with plastic surveyor's cap (found, PLS 3350)on the southwesterly line of Community Ventures Properties, LLC (Deed Book 3683, Page 490; 252 Holbrook Court), said point being at the northeasterly terminal end of said Powell Street; thence with the southwesterly line of said Community Ventures Properties, LLC (Deed Book 3683, Page 490; 252 Holbrook Court) and the end of said Powell Street,

South 42°06'55" East a distance of 14,80 feet to a point on the northwesterly line of Community Ventures Properties, LLC (Deed Book 3683, Page 490; 257 Warnock Street); thence with the northwesterly line of Community Ventures Properties, LLC (Deed Book 3683, Page 490; 257 Warnock Street), and then Community Ventures Properties, LLC (Deed Book 3683, Page 490; 255, 251, 249, 245, 243 Warnock Street),

South 48°28'10" West a distance of 127.22 feet to a 5/8" diameter rebar with plastic surveyor's cap (found, PLS 3350), said point being the northeast corner of Community Ventures Corporation (Deed Book 2706, Page 88 & Deed Book 3339, Page 678; Lot 2 of Plat Cabinet "R", Slide 870); thence with the northwesterly line of said Community Ventures Corporation (Deed Book 2706, Page 88 & Deed Book 3339, Page 678; Lot 2 of Plat Cabinet "R", Slide 870),

South 48°28'10" West a distance of 137.97 feet to a point on the northeasterly right-of-way line of the aforementioned Goodloe Street, said point being witnessed by a 5/8" diameter rebar with plastic surveyor's cap (PLS 3350), found at North 48°28'10" East 2.00 feet from the corner, and by another 5/8" diameter rebar with plastic surveyor's cap (PLS 3350), found at South 40°18'28" East 2.00 feet from the corner; thence with the northeasterly right-of-way line of said Goodloe Street,

North 40°18'28" West a distance of 14.37 feet to a 5/8" diameter rebar with plastic surveyor's cap (found, PLS 3350); which is the Point of Beginning, having an area of 3,822.1 square feet or 0.0877 acre.

The bearings and coordinates used in the description above are based on Kentucky State Plane Grid North, Kentucky State Plane North Zone, North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83). Particularly, the bearings and coordinates are based on a GPS survey utilizing Continuous Operating Reference Station (CORS) "KYTG", having Geographic Coordinates of N 38° 04' 31.96484", W 084° 29' 31.91127" and Kentucky State Plane Coordinates (North Zone, NAD 83) of N(Y)=209,682.94', E(X)=1,570,696.89'.

The description above being based on a ground survey conducted under the direct supervision of Kevin Phillips (PLS 3350), of Endris Engineering, 771 Enterprise Drive, Lexington, Kentucky concluding on September 24, 2020.



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