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COUNCIL BILL NO. 2004 - 031

RESOLUTION NO. 9118

A RESOLUTION

1 AMENDING the Streets and Highways Section of the Transportation Plan element of the  
2 Comprehensive Plan of the City of Springfield, Missouri, to allow a 60-foot  
3 right of way on St. Louis Street from Jefferson Avenue to Hammons Parkway  
4 (Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommend approval).  
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7 WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the Transportation Plan as an element of the  
8 Comprehensive Plan on June 11, 2001, which is the master plan for development of the  
9 City of Springfield, Missouri; and  
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11 WHEREAS, Section 11.6 of the Charter provides that the Commission may adopt  
12 the master plan as a whole by a single resolution, or may by successive resolutions adopt  
13 successive parts of the plan, said parts corresponding to major geographical sections of  
14 the City or to functional divisions of the subject matter of the plan, and may adopt any  
15 amendment or extension thereof or addition thereof; and  
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17 WHEREAS, after due notice and public hearing, the Commission did on January  
18 8, 2004 approve an amendment to the Transportation Plan; and  
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20 WHEREAS, Section 11.6 of the Charter provides that no plan or part thereof shall  
21 be considered adopted until approved by the Council after a public hearing; and  
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23 WHEREAS, this proposed amendment to the Transportation Plan is on file with the  
24 City Clerk; and  
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26 WHEREAS, after due notice, this Council has received public comment at a public  
27 hearing held on January 21, 2004.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

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SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1 - That the Transportation Plan element of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Springfield, Missouri, be and is hereby amended as follows:

A. Add the following text to the Streets and Highways Section under the Subsection entitled Recommendations:

- The right-of-way for St. Louis Street should be reduced to require 60 feet instead of the customary 70 feet required for a Secondary Arterial street in order to allow a consistent building line. Harmonious and orderly infill development in Center City is a goal of the comprehensive plan. The reduction in right-of-way will support the plan's goal of improving the visual appearance of the urban area, encouraging high-intensity compact infill development, and enhancing the urban character and livability of the community. New buildings should be constructed with the same setback as existing buildings in order to create a continuous, uniform, attractive appearance in relation to the street.

B. Add to Table 20-2 Streets and Highways Generalized Characteristics by Classification the following footnote: "\*St. Louis Street Right-of-Way Requirement has been reduced to 60 feet" and add an asterick at the end of the title Secondary Arterial, as shown in red on the attached Exhibit A.

Section 2 - That the Director of Planning and Development and the City Clerk are directed to maintain official copies of this Plan in their offices.

Section 3 - This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage.

Passed at meeting: January 26, 2004

Thomas A. Carlson  
Mayor

Attest: Brenda M. Cato, City Clerk

Approved as to form: [Signature], Asst. City Attorney

Approved for Council action: [Signature], City Manager

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Date   January 12, 2004  

EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL NO.   2004-  

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development

PURPOSE: To amend the Comprehensive Plan to allow a 60 foot right-of-way on St. Louis Street between Jefferson Avenue and Hammons Parkway (staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval).

BACKGROUND:

The Discovery Center would like to expand its building and would like the new construction to be built aligned with the existing building on St. Louis Street. This can be done only after adoption of a plan amendment which sets the right-of-way for St. Louis Street between Jefferson Avenue and Hammons Parkway (see Exhibit A) at 60 feet. Section 1-1317 B. of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance permits a plan to be adopted to reduce the required right-of-way.

The Planning and Zoning Commission had a public hearing on this plan amendment on Thursday, January 8, 2004. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted to recommend approval.

REMARKS:

St. Louis Street between Glenstone Avenue and the square, including the portion between Jefferson Avenue and Hammons Parkway, is shown on the Major Thoroughfare Plan as a secondary arterial. The Transportation Plan Element of the Comprehensive Plan sets the right-of-way requirement for a secondary arterial at 70 feet. However, the existing right-of-way for St. Louis Street between Jefferson and Hammons Parkway is 60 feet and the majority of the buildings in this area are build to the existing 60 foot right-of-way line.

This amendment would allow a consistent building line. Harmonious and orderly infill development in Center City is a goal of the comprehensive plan. This plan amendment will support the plan's goal of improving the visual appearance of the urban area, encouraging high-intensity compact infill development, and enhancing the urban character and livability of the

community. Urban design standards stress that it is desirable to allow buildings to be built up to the existing sidewalk in order to create a walkable streetscape and a sense of place in the Center City area. New buildings should be constructed with the same setback as existing buildings in order to create a continuous, uniform, attractive appearance in relation to the street.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the comprehensive plan be amended to establish a 60 foot right-of-way for St. Louis Street between Jefferson Avenue and Hammons Parkway (Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval).

Submitted by:

Approved by:



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Planning and Development

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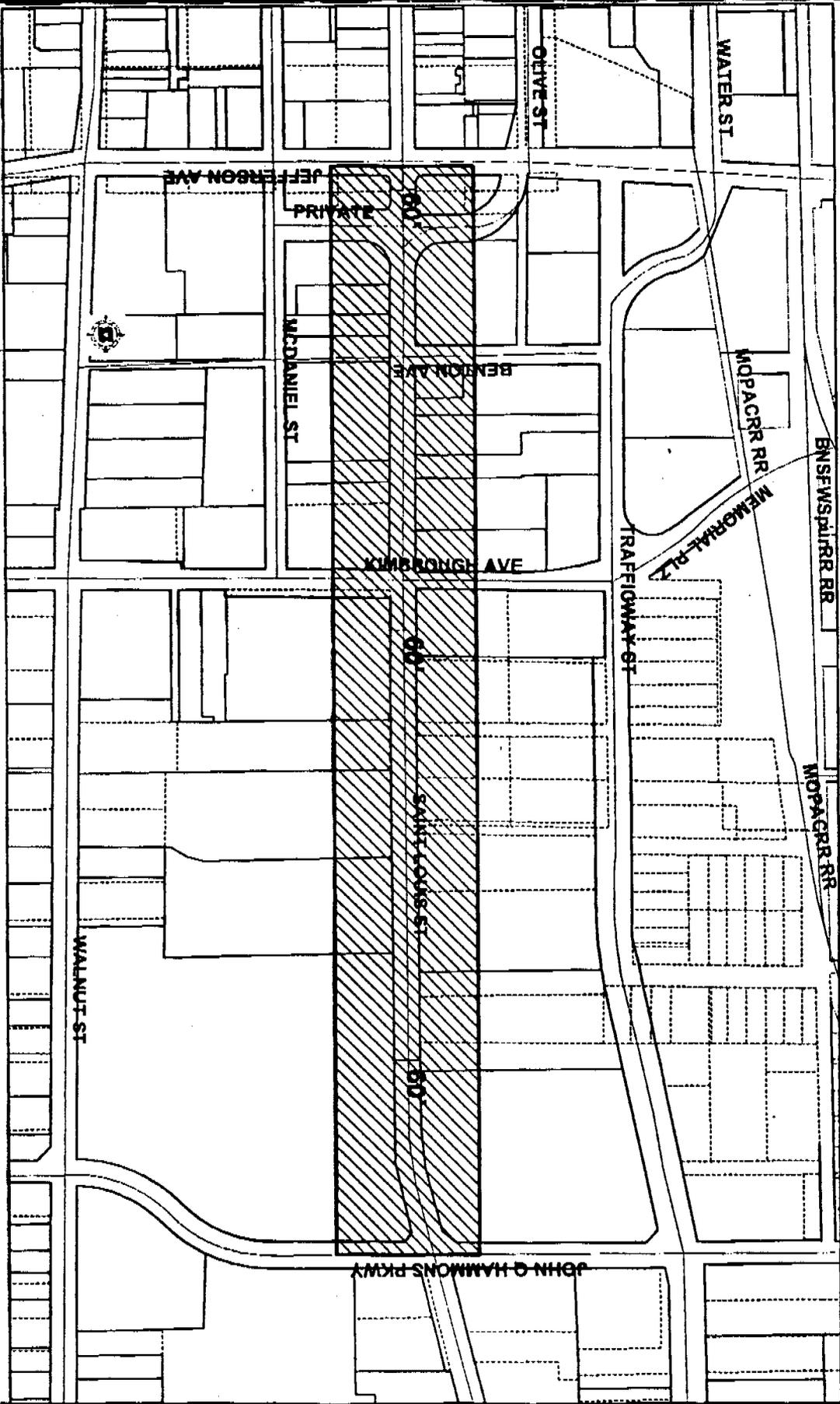
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# St. Louis Street Plan Exhibit A



PLAN AREA



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