



# CITY OF LIMA

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Lima City Council  
50 Town Square  
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Re: Petition for the Vacation of an alley segment off Grand Avenue between Elizabeth and Main Streets

Dear Council:

Attached please find a petition by Heirforce Community School to vacate an alley segment off Grand Avenue between Elizabeth Street and Main Street. The lots adjacent to the alley are zoned Class I and II Business to the South and Class II Residential to the North. The Petitioner owns 3 of the 4 parcels directly adjacent to the alley segment and wishes to safely utilize the 2 parcels they own on the east side of the alley for outdoor/playground space for their school building to the west of the alley. All utilities were contacted and there were no objections to the proposed alley segment vacation received by the City.

Due to a procedural error, said petition (originally case #24-03 now known as case #25-01) was reconsidered by the City Planning Commission (CPC) at its meeting on March 12, 2025 with the following actions taken:

- Endorsement of the vacation of the existing alley segment off Grand Avenue between Elizabeth and Main with the conditions that easement rights are retained.

Also attached please find the updated staff report detailing staff findings, analyses, and the decision of the CPC. We respectfully request that Council schedule the matter of a public hearing and authorize the necessary legislation.

Sincerely,

Reviewed:

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Carmillia Zion  
Dir. of Housing & Neighborhoods

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Meri Foster  
Director of Finance

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sharetta T. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sharetta" being more prominent than the last name "Smith".

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Sharetta T. Smith, JD, MBA  
Mayor