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November 9, 2023

To: Hamilton County Drainage Board

Re: Morrow-Follett Drain, R.J. Follett Arm, Monon Square Vacation. Station 0+00 to 6+00

Attached is a petition to abandon a portion of the Morrow Follett Drain, R.J. Follett Arm by the City of Carmel. The proposal is to abandon a portion of the existing drain on parcels 16-09-25-00-00-014.004, owned by Village Housing Corporation and 16-09-25-00-00-014.000 and 16-09-25-00-00-014.002 owned by Carmel Midtown Community Development Corporation.

The portion of the R.J. Follett Arm of the Morrow-Follett Drain to be vacated will begin at the southern limits of the project area at Sta. 0+0 per the drains 1928 description. The drain then runs north for 600 feet before stopping at Station. 6+00 per the drains 1928 description. At this time, the catch basin that the drain is connected to at Station 6+00 (Str. 202) will not be vacated. This is the upstream portion of the drain.

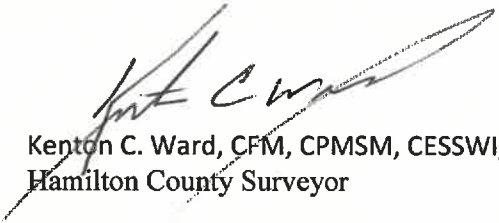
The request will remove 600 feet of 18-inch tile.

The vacation is part of a larger effort to redevelop the parcels into a mixed-use district known as Monon Square. With the approval of Monon Square, the City of Carmel will be installing drainage infrastructure which converges into a main trunkline in the location of the existing Morrow-Follett Drain (Carmel Project No. 20-ENG-13). Maintenance of the new stormwater infrastructure will be the responsibility of the City of Carmel. Upon approval of the project, contractors will remove the existing 600 feet of the Morrow-Follett Drain within the subdivision to the existing manhole at Station 6+00 at the northern limits of the project which is also just north of the property line of existing parcel #16-09-25-00-00-014.002.

Upon review of the request, I believe the above portion of the drain meets the requirements for vacation as set out in IC-36-9-27-34(d). In my opinion, the vacation will not adversely affect other property owners within the drainage shed.

I recommend the Board set a hearing date for January 22, 2024.

Sincerely,



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Hamilton County Surveyor

October 25, 2023

Hamilton County Drainage Board
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OFFICE OF HAMILTON COUNTY SURVEYOR




RE: Request for Vacation of Morrow Follet Regulated Drain Easement

Dear Hamilton County Drainage Board:

The City of Carmel is requesting the vacation of a portion of the RJ Follet arm of the Morrow Follet regulated drain easement in Carmel, IN. The limits of the requested easement vacation are the most southern extents of the drain west of Rangeline Rd, just north of City Center Drive to Walnut Street. A portion of the drain south of Walnut will be reconstructed as part of City of Carmel Project No. 20-ENG-13. An Exhibit of the easement limits is attached.

The City of Carmel will take over the responsibility of any future maintenance of the drain in the relinquished easement.



Jeremy Kashman, PE
Carmel City Engineer

FINDINGS AND ORDER

CONCERNING THE PARTIAL VACATION OF THE

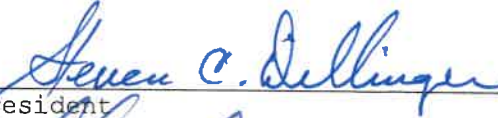
**Morrow-Follett Drain, R. J. Follett Arm
Monon Square Vacation**

Station 0+00 to Station 6+00

On this **22nd day of January, 2024**, the Hamilton County Drainage Board has held a hearing on the Maintenance Report and Schedule of Assessments of the **Morrow-Follett Drain, R. J. Follett Arm, Monon Square Vacation (Station 0+00 to Station 6+00)**.

Evidence has been heard. Objections were presented and considered. The Board then adopted an order of action. The Board now finds that the costs of continued maintenance to the portion of the above drain exceed the benefits to the real estate benefited by the portion of the drain to be abandoned and issues this order vacating the above section of the **Morrow-Follett Drain, R. J. Follett Arm, Monon Square Vacation (Station 0+00 to Station 6+00)**.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD



President



Member



Member

Attest:

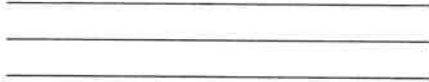


Suzanne Mastbaum

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY
DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF THE

**Morrow-Follett Drain, R. J. Follett Arm
Monon Square Vacation**

Station 0+00 to Station 6+00



NOTICE is hereby given that a petition to vacate has been received by the Hamilton County Surveyor for the **Morrow-Follett Drain, R. J. Follett Arm, Monon Square Vacation** across **Parcel 16-09-25-00-00-014.004** owned by **Village Housing Corporation** and **Parcels 16-09-25-00-00-014.000** and **16-09-25-00-00-014.002** owned by **Carmel Midtown Community Development Corporation** (**Station 0+00 to Station 6+00**) and that a hearing is scheduled for **January 22, 2024** at **9:00 A.M.** on that request.

Objections to the VACATION of the drain must be filed in writing not less than five (5) days before the date of the hearing.

The Board will consider whether the drain performs the function for which it was designed and constructed; whether the expense of maintenance outweighs the benefits to be derived therefrom, and whether the abandonment thereof will not be detrimental to the public welfare.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

ATTEST: Lynette Mosbaugh
Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF THE

**Morrow-Follett Drain, R. J. Follett Arm
Monon Square Vacation**

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Indiana Code 36-9-27-63 (before codification in 1981) that this Board, prior to final adjournment on **January 22, 2024** issued an order adopting the partial vacation, filed the same and made public announcement thereof at the hearing and ordered publication. Copies of the schedule of assessments and order are on file in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor. If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Indiana Code 36-9-27-65(f) within twenty (20) days from the date of this publication, the order shall be conclusive.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh

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