

Alachua County Courthouse ROW Vacation Portions of SW 3rd Avenue & SW 1st Street Petition LD23-82 SVA

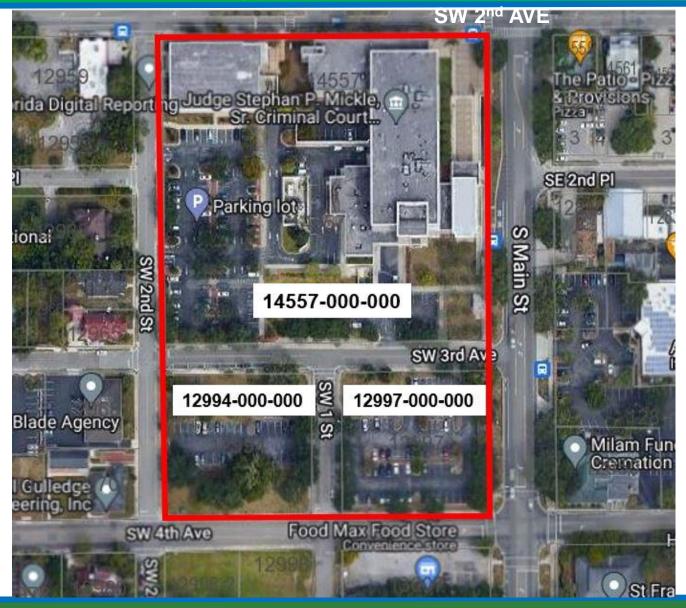
Ordinance 2023-827

City Commission: November 16, 2023

Site Location: Portions of SW 3rd AVE & SW 1st ST



Alachua County Courthouse Complex Area





Request & Background

- Vacate portions of SW 3rd AVE & SW 1st ST ROW
- 0.58 +/- acres
- Courthouse Property surrounds the ROW
- ROW Vacation included as a condition in 2001 PD (Ord. 001607) and updated PD adopted 9/21/23 (Ord. 2022-678)
- Northern portion of SW 1st ST was vacated 9/24/01 as part of Courthouse construction



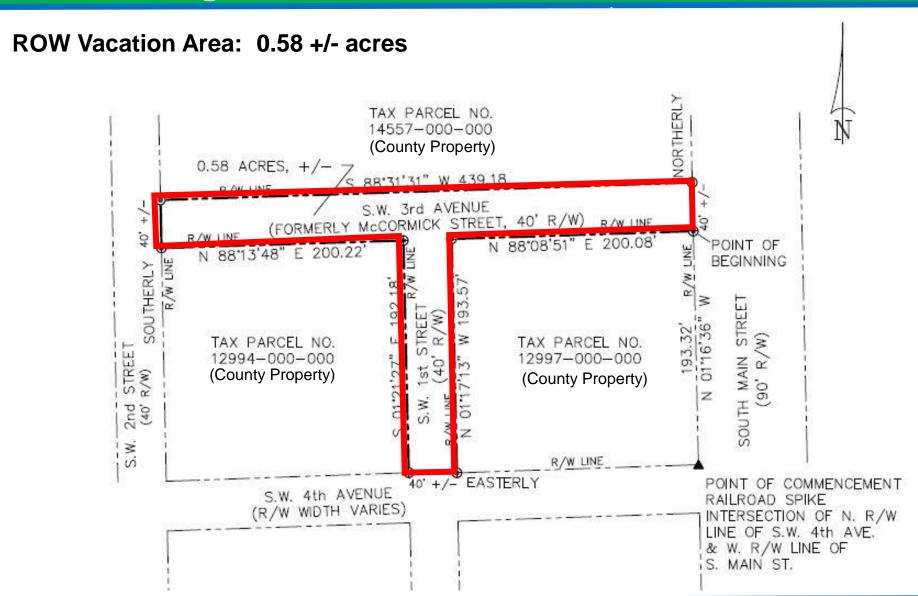
SW 1st ST ROW (north from SW 4th AVE)



SW 3rd AVE ROW (west from S Main ST to SW 2nd ST)



Legal Sketch of ROW to be Vacated





Zoning Map





Justification

- ROW Vacation contemplated since adoption of original PD in 2001 (Ord. 001607)
- ROW area is needed for redevelopment of surface parking areas for new buildings
- Newly adopted PD (Ord. 2022-678) Condition 6 includes:
 - ROW Vacation
 - ROW to remain open to pedestrian and bicycle access until time of site construction
 - Provision for an east-west Urban Walkway for connecting SW 2nd ST to Main ST

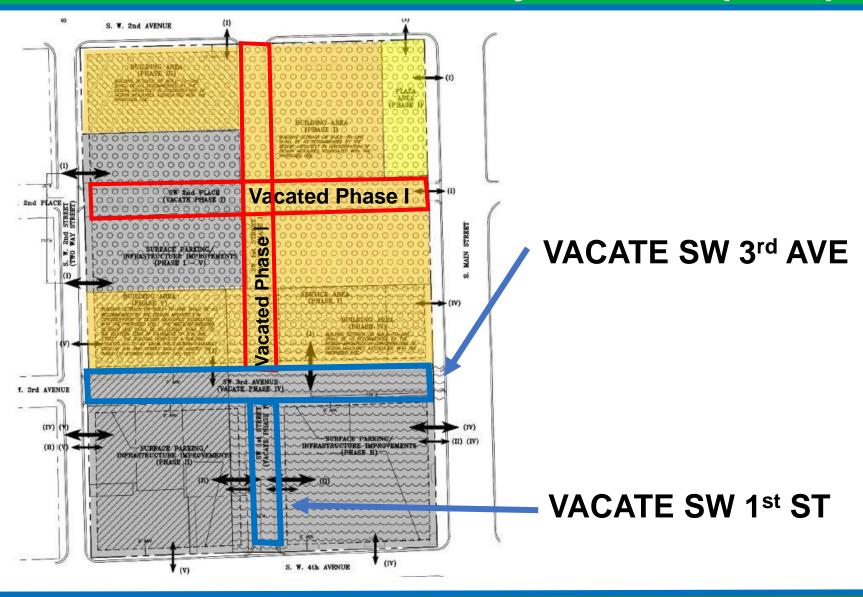


Urban Walkway Example

- Minimum 10-foot wide hard surfaced path
- Provides for pedestrian & bicycle mobility
- Landscaped with shade trees on both sides
- May contain benches or other outdoor pedestrian/bicycle uses

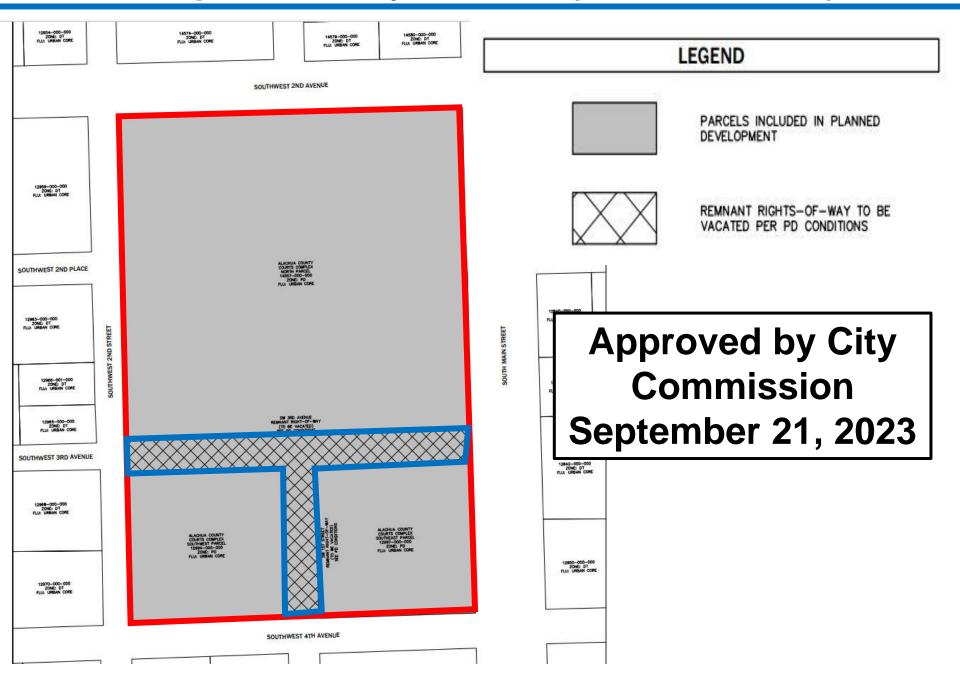


Ordinance 001607 PD Layout Plan (2001)





Adopted PD Layout Plan (Ord. 2022-678)



Summary

- Request is consistent with:
 - Comprehensive Plan
 - Criteria for ROW Vacation in the Land Development Code
 - PD Ordinance 2022-678 (adopted 9/21/23)
- Staff Recommendation: Approval
- Plan Board Recommendation: Approval
- Request: Approve Petition LD23-82 SVA & Ordinance 2023-827

