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## RE: Street Vacation Petition North Peach Street from the intersection with West Cedar Street to the intersection with Sumner Avenue City of Allentown, Lehigh County

The Lehigh Valley Planning Commission (LVPC) will consider the subject street vacation petition at its Transportation Planning Committee and Full Commission meetings, pursuant to the requirements of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC). Discussion on agenda items largely happens during the Committee meeting. Both meetings are virtual, please see the meeting details below to attend. The LVPC will issue a follow-up letter after the Commission meeting should the Commission have any additional comments.

- LVPC Transportation Planning Committee Meeting
  - December 23, 2021 at 9:30 AM
  - <u>https://lvpc.org/meetings.html</u>
- LVPC Full Commission Meeting
  - December 23, 2021 at 11:00 AM
  - o <u>https://lvpc.org/meetings.htm</u>

Mr. Hanlon,

The proposed street vacation petition was submitted by the City of Allentown on behalf of Acela Architects + Engineers of 2633 Moravian Avenue, Allentown PA 18103 representing BoVoss, LLC, an entity with an agreement of sale for 1014 Sumner Avenue and an eastern portion of 1098 Sumner Avenue.

The proposed street vacation petition was reviewed for recommendations under Section 304 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, and for general consistency with the intent of *FutureLV: The Regional Plan.* 

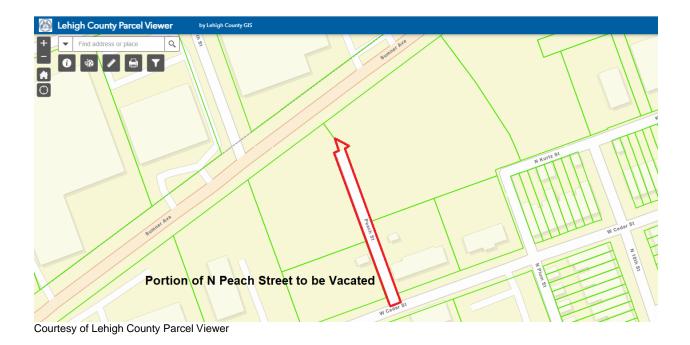
North Peach Street from the intersection with West Cedar Street to the Intersection with Sumner Avenue is unopened, never constructed segment of North Peach Street. The terminus at West Cedar Street is currently a parking area for the residence at 1035 West Cedar Street.

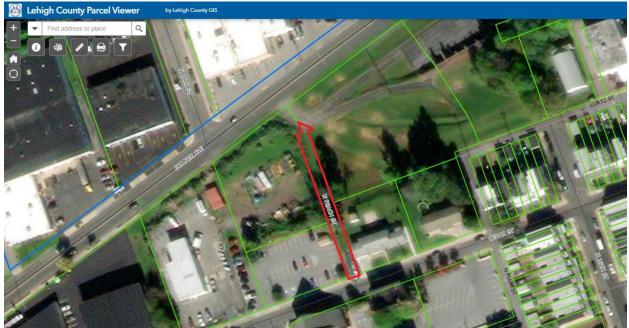
The petition did not include and signatures of the adjoining property owners that would be recipients of the vacated portion of North Peach Street along their frontages. It is strongly recommended that the petition be amended to include the signatures of the owners of all parcels with frontage along the proposed vacated portion of N. Peach Street.

This section of North Peach Street is indicated by the petition to have utilities. Access should be maintained by way of utility easement or rights-of-way to ensure the ability of utility companies and the City of Allentown to efficiently perform maintenance and repair of any infrastructure. (of FutureLV Policies 1.1 improve the utility and mobility infrastructure of the region and 5.4 promote context-specific design solutions)

We appreciate the City's consideration of the goals and policies of FutureLV: The Regional Plan in as much as it relates to the street vacation petition of a North Peach Street from the intersection of West Cedar Street to the intersection with Sumner Avenue.

Brian Hite Transportation Planner





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