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November 15, 2018

Mr. Michael P. Hanlon, City Clerk
City of Allentown
435 West Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18101

RE: Street Vacation Request – South Jute Street from Juniata Street to Susquehanna Street

Dear Mr. Hanlon:

The Lehigh Valley Planning Commission has reviewed the following proposed street vacation:

- South Jute Street from Juniata Street to Susquehanna Street

The City should be aware that the 2019 – 2022 Transportation Improvement Program contains two projects in the region that could impact the proposed street vacation or site redevelopment efforts. The Route 145 Safety Improvements extend from Emmaus Avenue to West Wyoming Street and include milling, overlay, restriping protected left turn bays at traffic signals, alignment of opposing left turns, installation of two-way left turn signals, and access management implementation. The project is scheduled for construction in 2020.

In addition, the Summit Lawn to American Parkway Study is a multimodal corridor study addressing traffic flow, pedestrian accommodations/connectivity/safety, congestion, redevelopment potential, and transit improvements. The project extends along South 3rd Street/Basin Street/South 4th Street/South Pike Avenue from the Summit Lawn I-78 Interchange to American Parkway and is anticipated to begin in 2022.

The City should coordinate any site redevelopment efforts with PennDOT and the LVPC. Thank you for forwarding the proposal for review. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael Donchez
Senior Transportation Planner