

August 30, 2023

REPORT TO THE CITY CLERK  
AND THE  
ALLENTOWN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION  
**REQUEST FOR STREET VACATION**

RE: Request for the vacation of North Maxwell Street from East Turner Street to East Linden Street.

Requested by:  
Michael Dravuschak  
1046 E. Turner St

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City of Allentown Department of Public Works

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HISTORY OF THE STREET PROPOSED TO BE VACATED:

The subject portion of North Maxwell Street is in the 15<sup>th</sup> Ward. Unopened North Maxwell Street has a 50.0' wide Right of Way and was mapped by the Joseph F. Gorman Plan in 1907 and recorded in Map Book 2 Page 75A as part of Hanover Township and the Plan and its street system was annexed by the City of Allentown City Ordinance Bill #1027 on February 16, 1920.

LOCATION AND CONDITION:

The subject portion of North Maxwell Street is an unopened street. The eastern half was rededicated by a subdivision recorded in Map Book 8 Page 9 in 1990 but was not opened in over 21 years so the City lost its rights in the subject area. There are sheds and private improvements within the subject area. The City of Allentown has an existing storm main along the eastern side of the subject area. PP&L utilities has existing facilities within the subject area.

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POLLS CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

Charles Roca, Chief of Police has not replied.

Efrain Agosto, Fire Chief has no objection to the street vacation.

Dennis Weatherhold, Communications has not replied.

Michael Lichty, Stormwater Engineer has no objection to the street vacation.

Suzanne Dobel, Traffic Project Manager has no objection to the street vacation.

POLLS UTILITIES:

Verizon Communications have no objection to the street vacation.

PPL Electric Utilities objects to the street vacation due to existing facilities and will need an easement for their existing facilities on the eastern side of the subject area.

UGI Utilities, Inc. have no objection to the street vacation.

Lehigh County Authority, have no objection to the street vacation.

POLL ADJOINING OWNERS:

Community Services for Children Inc. the owners of 1050 Hanover Ave have no objection to the street vacation.

Richard & Christina Schwab, the owners of 1035 E. Linden St have not replied.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Bureau of Engineering recommends that the subject portion of North Maxwell Street be vacated provided that the Community Services for Children Inc. grants an easement to PP&L Electric Utilities for the existing facilities and grants a drainage easement to the City of Allentown for existing facilities.

Very truly yours,



Mark Shahda  
Public Works Director

Attachments

xc: Jennifer Gomez, Planning Director  
John Gross, City Solicitor  
Michael P. Hanlon, City Clerk  
Mark Shahda, Public Works Director

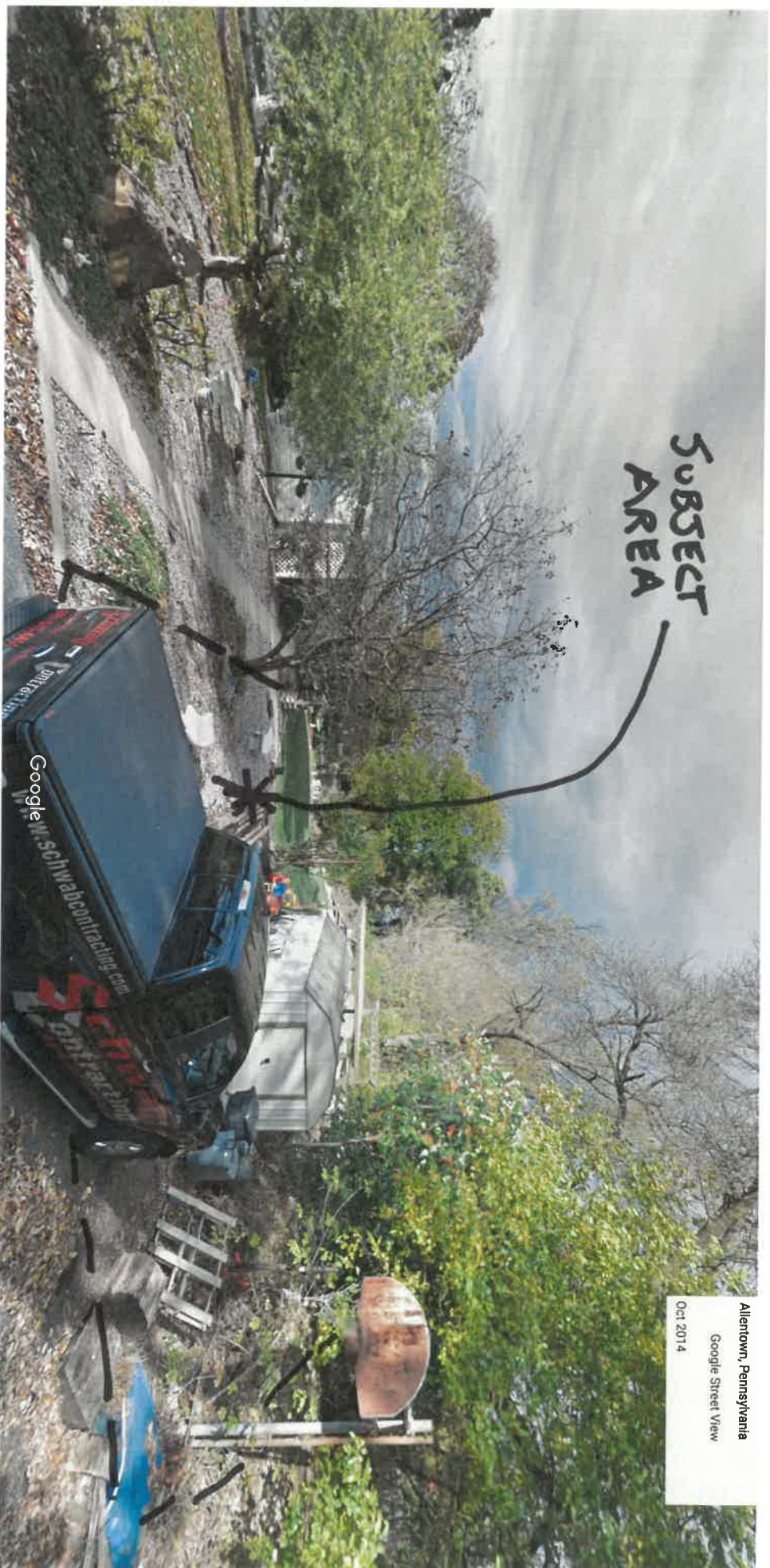


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 Google Street View  
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NORTH MAXWELL STREET  
 LOOKING SOUTH



NORTH MAXWELL STREET  
 LOOKING NORTH

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