MINUTES
VALDOSTA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 20, 2025

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Tim Carroll, Councilman - District 5 **SECONDER:** Andy Gibbs, Councilman - District 6

AYES: Harden, Tooley, McIntyre, Howard, Carroll, Gibbs

Consideration of a request to abandon a public Utility Easement along the Inner Perimeter Road right-of-way.

Ben O'Dowd, City Engineer, stated that the City of Valdosta is pursuing the extension of water and sewer service to a northeast area of the City. Design is nearing completion for this Project and the City is working with one of the local land owners and Ace Electric for utility easements needed for this Project. This Agenda Item is to abandon an older utility easement that is not needed. This assists the City in obtaining the utility easement at another location which does support the current Project. The brief history of this location is as follows: (1) The original 20' drainage and utility easement was conveyed and described as part of the subdivision plat for Brayland Development recorded 12/5/1995 in plat book H page 212. (2) The Stalvey's (Ace Electric) bought the property subject to the easement in November of 1997. (3) The easement has never been utilized the City or any other public utility. (4) The Stalvey's have plans to develop the property where the existing easement lays, and the City has plans to construct a lift station and sewer line at another location on adjacent Ace-Stalvey property. (5) Ace-Stalvey has agreed to grant an easement to City in a more suitable location for both parties in exchange for abandonment of the original easement. Ben O'Dowd, City Engineer, recommended that Council approve the abandonment of the unused existing utility easement on the Stalvey (Ace Electric) property. Councilman Harden left at 6:02 p.m. prior to the vote.

A MOTION by Councilman Carroll, seconded by Councilman McIntyre, was unanimously adopted (5-0) to approve the abandonment of the unused existing utility easement on the Stalvey (Ace Electric) property.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Tim Carroll, Councilman - District 5
SECONDER: Thomas B. McIntyre, Councilman

AYES: Tooley, McIntyre, Howard, Carroll, Gibbs

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Bobby McKenzie, 5148 Northwind Boulevard, stated that he wanted to talk about SeeClickFix. There is a huge disconnect on the push for the City to encourage citizens to use it and the Department agencies who are in charge of executing those SeeClickFixes when they are reported. He has 21 SeeClickFixes that he did himself on a gas station over a period of four years. Anetra Riley, Neighborhood Development/Community Protection Manager, had deliberately closed out several of these with no action taken. He also noted that Angela Bray, Stormwater Manager, has also done something very similar. There is a litter problem and it starts at Fire Station No. 2 on East Park Avenue and it goes down One Mile Branch and along behind the gas station on Vallotton Drive and Lee Street. One of the See ClickFixes of the 21,