## CITY OF VINELAND, NJ

## ORDINANCE NO. 2024- 71

## ORDINANCE TO RELEASE, VACATE, AND EXTINGUISH ANY PUBLIC RIGHTS IN CERTAIN PAPER STREETS ABUTTING CITY OWNED LOTS AS DEPICTED ON A BOUNDARY SURVEY PREPARED BY FRALINGER ENGINEERING.

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland owns numerous small lots near the south west corner of the intersection of W. Weymouth Road and N. Delsea Drive which abut paper streets known as Grant Avenue, Centre Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Walnut Street, Pearl Street, Woodland Avenue and an unknown road known as Alley.

WHEREAS, the paper streets known as Grant Avenue, Centre Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Walnut Street, Pearl Street, Woodland Avenue and Alley, or portions thereof, are not needed as a road or for any other public purpose and the public interest would best be served by abandoning, vacating, releasing and extinguishing any and all public rights which the City may have in and to the paper streets known as Grant Avenue, Centre Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Walnut Street, Pearl Street, Woodland Avenue, and Alley, or portions thereof, as more specifically depicted on the Boundary Survey prepared by Fralinger Engineering attached as and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, the City owned abutting lots are located in an I-1 and I-B Zones and are severely undersized for development for Industrial uses. Vacating said paper streets will advance the public interest by allowing for the consolidation of the numerous undersized lots into a single Lot of 20.78 acres, not subject to wetlands restrictions, which can be sold for industrial development which will increase the City's tax base, promote employment and otherwise generate economic opportunity for the City and its residents.

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland Planning Department has reported that the paper streets known as Grant Avenue, Centre Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Walnut Street, Pearl Street, Woodland Avenue, Alley are not part of the Master Plan of Streets, and that the Master Plan of Streets will not need to be amended as if those paper streets are vacated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Vineland as follows:

1. The public rights and interests in the paper streets known as Grant Avenue, Centre Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Walnut Street, Pearl Street, Woodland Avenue, and Alley, or portions thereof, as more specifically depicted on the attached Boundary Survey are hereby vacated and extinguished.

2. The vacation expressly reserves and excepts from the vacation all rights and privileges possessed by public utilities, as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:2-13 and by any cable television company, as defined in the "Cable Television Act," N.J.S.A. 48:5a-1 et seq., to maintain, repair and replace their existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the street, highway, lane, alley, square, place or park, or any part thereof, to be vacated.

3. This Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after its final passage and publication according to law.

Passed first reading: December 10, 2024

Passed final reading: December 23, 2024

President of Council

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Approved by the Mayor:

Mayor

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ATTEST:

City Clerk

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