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Public Hearing for the Resolution Closing a Portion of Walker Avenue from a Point 105.81 Feet West of South Tate Street Westward a Distance of 260 Feet to its Terminus (University of North Carolina at Greensboro)

Council Priority: Maintain Infrastructure and Provide Sustainable Growth Opportunities / Promote Public Safety & Reduce Crime

Department: Planning

Council District: Districts #3 and #4

Public Hearing: Yes

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### **PURPOSE:**

The property owner has requested the closing of a portion of Walker Avenue. Staff requests that City Council hold a public hearing to receive public comment and to consider adoption of the street closing resolution.

### **BACKGROUND:**

This request involves the right-of-way for a portion of Walker Avenue, approximately 260 feet.

The petition was signed by the property owners bordering on 100% of the right-of-way.

The closing is being requested so that the land can be added to the abutting property to aid future development.

### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There will be no impact on the current or future budgets.

### **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Technical Review Committee (TRC) feels circumstances here allow the City to make the two required determinations for a street closing: (1) that closing the street to vehicular traffic is not contrary to the public interest, and (2) that no property owner in the vicinity is deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress.

Therefore, the Technical Review Committee (TRC) recommended the closing with four conditions: 1) The lot currently located north to this portion of Walker Avenue is to be recombined in order to maintain frontage and have direct vehicular street access to an existing public street, 2) A minimum 20-foot utility easement will be retained by the City of Greensboro centered on each existing utility line located in that portion of the street to be closed, 3) The official map depicting the private streets within UNCG's campus will be updated, and 4) UNCG shall coordinate this street closing with the Department of Field Operations.

The Planning Board recommended this closing, with the stated conditions, at its June meeting on a vote of 8-0.

Accordingly, it is recommended that on July 21, 2020, the City Council hold a public hearing to receive public comment and to consider adoption of the resolution closing a portion of Walker Avenue.