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**MEMO** 

TO: Mahesh Sharma

**County Administrator** 

FROM: Angie Kersten, P.E.

County Engineer

SUBJECT: Public Hearing for Proposed Road Right-of-Way Vacation

DATE: June 30, 2020

On June 25, 2020, a resolution was passed to hold a public hearing on July 9, 2020, regarding a proposed road right-of-way vacation. The road right-of-way is a portion of an alley platted on the North Side of Block 1 of Roswell H. Spencer's Town Lots located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 78 North, Range 5 East. Please see the attached map.

Our department was contacted by a Scott County resident, Monty Shumate, to vacate this piece of road right-of-way. Monty owns the land adjacent to the road right-of-way on both the north and south sides. He has been maintaining the area for ingress and egress to his property. He would like to extend water service and build an addition to his home within the road right-of-way.

Our department has not and does not maintain this road right-of-way. The traveled portion that exists in being solely used as a driveway for the property owner. The width of the road right-of-way is 20 feet, which is too narrow to construct a public road. The road right-of-way does not extend through to the west past this piece. It is of greater benefit for us to vacate this piece of road right-of-way, put the land back on the tax rolls, and clear our records of unused right-of-way. I recommend vacating this piece of road right-of-way.

