

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**  
**Mayor's Office of Capital Projects**  
**Division of Engineering and Construction**

Declaring the intent to vacate a portion of Curtis Avenue N.E., east of East  
59<sup>th</sup> Street.

Resolution No:                    517-2023

Description:                    Situated in the City of Cleveland, County of  
Cuyahoga, State of Ohio and known as a portion of  
Curtis Avenue N.E. (66 feet wide) in the Porter  
Allotment of part of Original One Hundred Acre Lot  
No. 337, as shown by the recorded plat in Volume 3 of  
Maps, Page 44 of Cuyahoga County Records.

Purpose:                            The vacation of Curtis Avenue will allow for  
Manufacturing Advocacy & Growth  
Network Inc. (MAGNET) to reclaim the space for  
additional green space, which will be of great public  
benefit.

A consent form from the Council Member  
acknowledging approval of this request is attached.

Ward:                                Ward 7, Councilmember Stephanie D. Howse

CONSENT TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION  
BY REQUEST

I hereby consent to introduction of legislation in my name by request for the following:

An Emergency Resolution.....

**Declaring the intent to vacate all of Curtis Avenue N.E. east of East  
59<sup>th</sup> Street.**

  
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Dated: 6/8/22

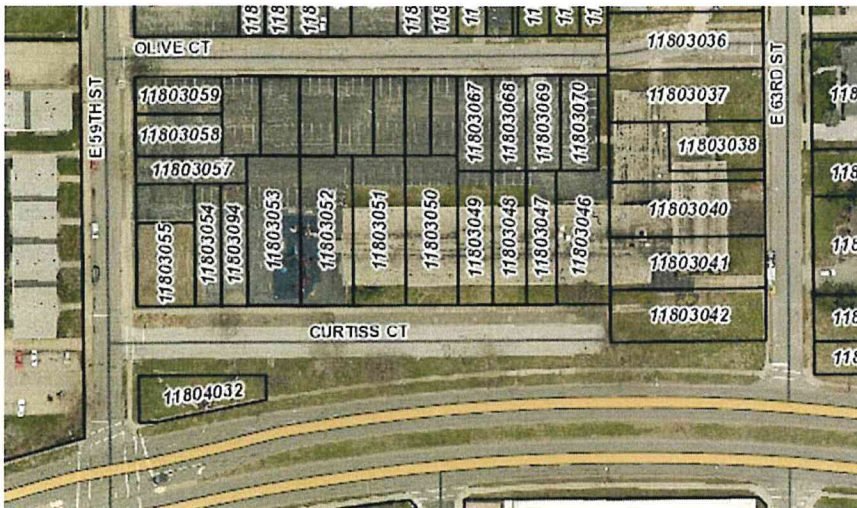
The Honorable Stephanie D. Howse  
Councilmember – Ward 7

Mayor’s Office of Capital Projects  
 Commissioner of Engineering and Construction  
 c/o Richard Switalski  
 601 Lakeside Avenue, Room 518  
 Cleveland, OH 44114

February 5, 2021

To the Commissioner:

Our team is writing to request the street vacation of Curtiss Court (sometimes referred to as Curtiss Avenue) which abuts E. 59<sup>th</sup> Street north of Chester Avenue in the Hough neighborhood (Ward 7). The adjacent property at 1800 E. 63<sup>rd</sup> Street (consolidated into 118-03-037), formerly known as the Margaret A. Ireland Elementary School, will become the new headquarters of Manufacturing Advocacy & Growth Network Inc. (MAGNET), the Northeast Ohio Manufacturing Extension Program representative to the State of Ohio. The property has been approved for transfer by the City of Cleveland Board of Education and Cleveland Metropolitan School District, a purchase agreement has been executed, and closing is scheduled to occur on or before May 30, 2021.



**Figure 1.** The location of Curtiss Court adjacent to the new MAGNET building, formerly known as the Margaret A. Ireland Elementary School.

Curtiss Court ceased to function as a street once Chester Avenue was built in 1948-1949. With plans to redevelop the parcel as a public-facing manufacturing center of excellence as well as a STEM resource, MAGNET intends for a portion of the grounds to become a park-like and STEM-based intergenerational play space. The creation of this green space for the community is part of a larger economic development and workforce strategy to, among other things, engage with informal STEM-education with students from the community, particularly CMSD students from elementary school to high school, along with being a front door for workforce resources of

all ages. The vacation of Curtiss Court will allow for MAGNET to reclaim the space for additional green space, which will be of great public benefit.

The project has received enthusiastic support from Councilman Basheer Jones (Ward 7), who has been informed of this request to vacate Curtiss Court.

Water and sewer lines run through the centerline of Curtiss Court and have a connection to the south at East 61<sup>st</sup> Street, which terminates south of Curtiss Court at Chester Avenue.

Thank you for your consideration of the street vacation of Curtiss Court for this exciting project in Cleveland's Hough and MidTown neighborhoods. We believe that the redevelopment of the building and grounds for MAGNET's relocation will not only create momentum in the immediate neighborhood but will have impacts regionally for manufacturers and workers alike.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'EK' followed by a stylized flourish.

Ethan Karp  
CEO & President

**NOTES**

1. BOUNDARY AND DIMENSIONAL INFORMATION SHOWN IS BASED ON A SURVEY CONDUCTED BY LANSAN ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. ON 10/05/2022.
2. METEORIC IS REFERRED TO AND SHOWN AS A CONDUIT SYSTEM.

NOV 2022, AND ALL VPS'S OBSERVATIONS IN AUGUST 2022.

**ESSEMENT NOTE**

Any use of rights to any existing utilities, easements, and encroachments shall be subject to the provisions of Ordinance No. 143-001 of the City of Cleveland and the provisions of the Charter of the City of Cleveland. The undersigned hereby certifies that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they are duly qualified to perform the duties of a Professional Engineer in the State of Ohio.

THE PLAN IS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 143-001 OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND ON THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

PREPARED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

THE JOB IS SHOWN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 143-001 OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND ON THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

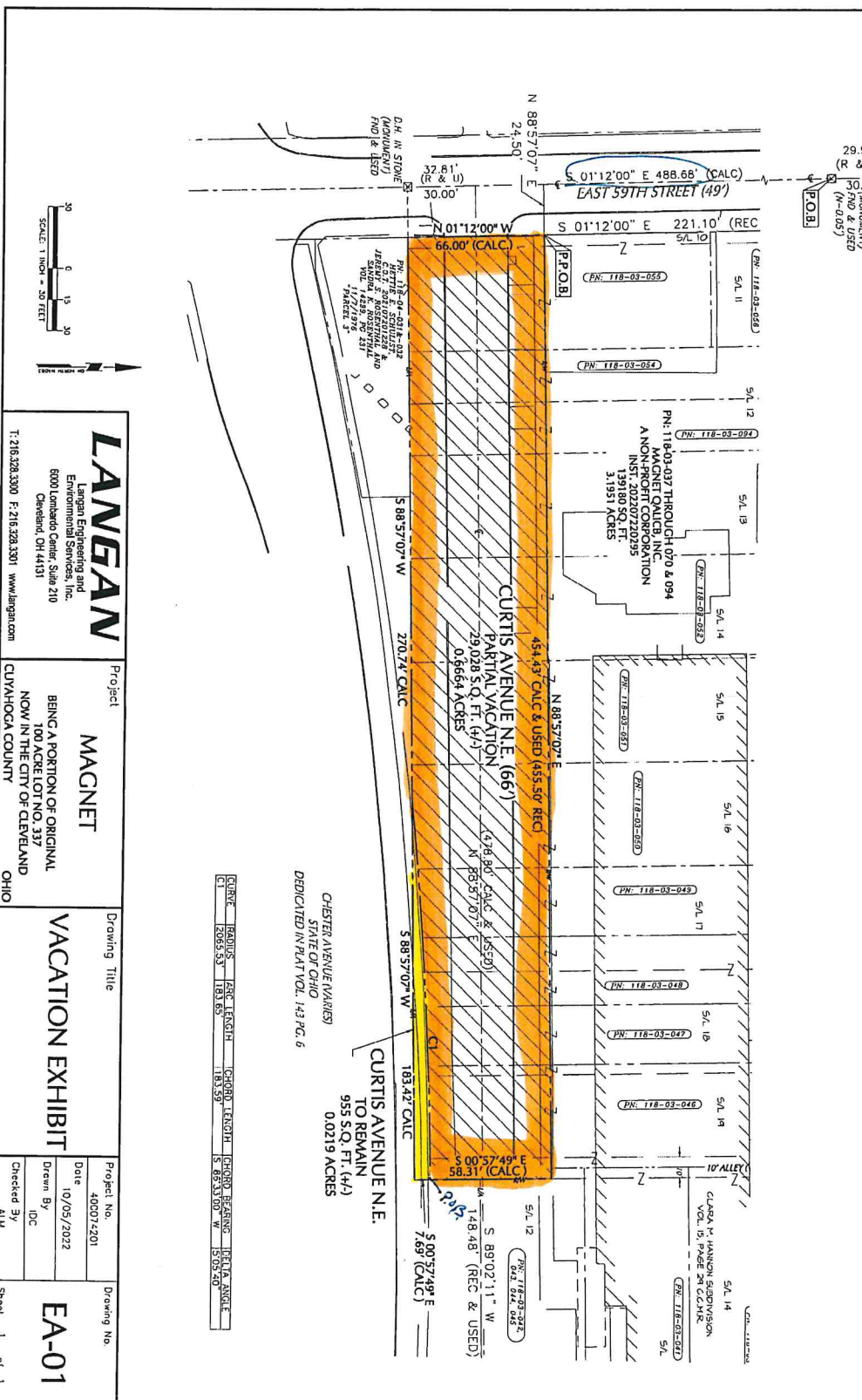
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARY**

STATE OF OHIO  
COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA  
I, \_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me and acknowledged to me the signing of the foregoing instrument to be his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes expressed therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

BY COMMISSION EXPIRES: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE OF OHIO



**LANSAN**

Lansan Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc.  
6000 Lombardo Center, Suite 210  
Cleveland, OH 44131

Project: **MAGNET**

Drawing Title: **VACATION EXHIBIT**

Project No.: 400072201Date: 10/05/2022

Drawn By: DC

Checked By: ALW

Drawing No.: **EA-01**

Sheet 1 of 1

BEING A PORTION OF ORIGINAL 100 ACRE LOT NO. 337 NOW IN THE CITY OF CLEVELAND CUYAHOGA COUNTY OHIO

CHESTER AVENUE (WARES) STATE OF OHIO DEDICATED IN PLAT VOL. 143 PG. 6

CURTIS AVENUE N.E. TO REMAIN 955 S.Q. FT. (4-1) 0.0219 ACRES



City of Cleveland **Memorandum**  
Justin M. Bibb, Mayor

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Date: April 4, 2023

To: Mark D. Griffin, Director  
Department of Law

From: James D. DeRosa, Director  
Mayor's Office of Capital Projects

Subject: Request for Legislation declaring the intent to vacate a portion of Curtis Ave.

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We are requesting Legislation be prepared for Introduction as described below.

**Declaring the intent to vacate a portion of Curtis Avenue N.E., east of East 59<sup>th</sup> Street.**

This request is being made by Manufacturing Advocacy & Growth Network Inc. (MAGNET) to reclaim the space for additional green space, which will be of great public benefit.

An electronic draft copy will be emailed to your Department to facilitate the processing of this request, along with a copy of the Councilperson's consent slip.

If you have any questions please contact Eric B. Westfall, P.S., Survey Department, 216-664-3780.

JD/ebw

Cc: Ryan Puente, Deputy Chief of Staff + Chief Government Affairs Officer  
Bradford J. Davy, Chief of Staff  
Bonita G. Teeuwen, Chief Operating Officer  
Richard Switalski, Administration Bureau Manager, Div. of Eng. & Const.  
Eric Westfall, Section Chief, Plats & Surveys  
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