

# CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

### **ENGINEERING DIVISION**

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Laurel L. Prussing and Members of the City Council

FROM: William R. Gray, Public Works Director

Bradley M. Bennett, Assistant City Engineer

DATE: January 9, 2014

**RE:** Guardian West Right-of-Way Vacation and Dedication

## **Action Requested**

Approval of the ordinance authorizing the vacation of right-of-way (ROW) along Guardian Drive north of Butzow Drive.

## **Background and Facts**

Representatives from the Guardian West plant have requested that 0.051 acres located at the northwest end of the Guardian Drive cul-de-sac be vacated by the City to facilitate the installation of new dust collection equipment for their manufacturing operations. Guardian West will dedicate to the City 0.062 acres of ROW at the northeast end of the cul-de-sac in conjunction with the ROW vacation. Existing utilities within the vacated ROW will be accommodated by a utility easement provided by Guardian West. The vacated and dedicated ROW areas are shown in Attachment A. No other property owners are impacted by this proposed action. The proposed dedicated ROW, pending city council action on the vacation request, will be accepted by the Public Works Director. (This authority is vested per City Code.)

### **Financial Impact**

There are no costs or revenues associated with vacating the ROW along the northwest end of Guardian Drive. City ROW vacation policy states that benefitting non-residential properties pay the appraised value of vacated ROW. Since this vacation request is coupled with a ROW dedication, there is no recommendation for Guardian West to pay the appraised value of the proposed vacated ROW.

## **Recommendations**

It is recommended that the ordinance authorizing the vacation of ROW along Guardian Drive be approved.

Attachments: Attachment A – ROW Vacation and Dedication Plat

An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of the Guardian West Drive Cul-de-Sac

The accompanying ordinance, An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of the Guardian West Drive Cul-de-Sac, will be presented at the January 13, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting.

