



September 25, 2022

Re: Right-of-Way Development Discussions

Dear Mayor Ramirez and Members of the City Council:

The LWV seeks to ensure transparency, accountability, positive community impact, and preservation of the common good when considering the transfer of governmental services, assets, and/or functions to the private sector. We also support an increased stock of affordable housing to decrease the number at risk of becoming homeless.

Decisions of what to discuss at council should be made by council, being our elected representatives. As such, we are concerned with news that staff is impeding council discussion regarding potential transfers of right-of-way to housing developments. We have seen with Gamel Way that the city's power over the right-of-way can be used to request higher public benefits from proposed projects that desire vacating the ROW.

(Please send any questions about this email to Kevin Ma at housing@lwvlamv.org)

Thank you for considering our input.

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