



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Andy Quittner, City Attorney
Date: May 15, 2018
Subject: Transfer of a small strip of land on Washington Street

At the last meeting City Council approved a bid to purchase a 0.276 acre piece of land on West Washington Street. When the City obtained that parcel, it was part of a transaction that also included a 0.016 acre strip that was taken out for part of the Corps project.

The removed strip was to serve two possible purposes: property for reforestation and for access from Washington Street to Walnut Springs to install a retaining wall. The property was never used for either purpose. Due to the incline, and existing forage, no planting occurred and the retaining wall was constructed by accessing what is now the creek side of the library property (which is much flatter).

The City has no use for the strip of property, and maintenance by city staff is difficult. Given the above and that the remainder property was purchased for a good sum, staff recommends transferring this 0.016 acre strip in a deed along with the 0.276 acre strip.