

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-176

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: March 14, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU

Date of Analysis: March 16, 2023

Type of Action: Closure and abandonment of right-of-way

Bill Summary: The bill closes and abandons an unopened and unimproved portion of the right-of-way of Stevens Avenue at 20th Street near Edgewood Avenue, subject to the reservation of an all-utilities and facilities easement over the site to the City and JEA and the execution of a hold harmless agreement by the applicant.

Background Information: The adjacent property owner – JAX Edgewood Partners, LLC – intends to build an approximately 295,000 square foot light industrial commerce center for lease on the property and the closure of this right-of-way will increase the setback for the new building. The developer will be required to execute a hold-harmless agreement protecting the City from any claim, action or liability resulting from the developer's use of the property. The closure reserves an all-utilities and facilities easement to the City and a utilities, facilities and ingress/egress easement to the JEA over the southerly 60 feet of the right-of-way to provide continued access to JEA's existing facilities.

Policy Impact Area: Right-of-way closure

Fiscal Impact: The applicant has paid the right-of-way closure fee of \$2,091.

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