# CITY OF HIGH POINT AGENDA ITEM



Title: Right-Of-Way Encroachment RE-17-0003

(High Point University)

From: Lee Burnette, Planning & Development Meeting Date: May 15, 2017

Director

**Advertising Date:** Not Applicable

Public Hearing: No

Advertised By: Not Applicable

**Attachments:** A. Staff Memo

B. AgreementC. Location Map

D. Site Plan

#### **PURPOSE**:

A right-of-way encroachment request by High Point University for a proposed wrought-iron fence with brick columns that will encroach approximately 10 feet within an unopened section of the Fifth Street right-of-way.

### **BACKGROUND**:

Staff memo and the Technical Review Committee's recommendation is enclosed.

# **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is no budget impact.

# **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

A. On April 26, 2017 the Technical Review Committee recommended <u>approval</u> of Right-Of-Way Encroachment RE-17-0003.

# CITY OF HIGH POINT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

# RIGHT-OF-WAY ENCROACHMENT RE-17-0003 May 15, 2017

Request			
Applicant:	Proposal:		
High Point University	Construct a wrought-iron fence with brick columns that will		
	encroach approximately 10 feet within an unopened section of		
	the Fifth Street right-of-way.		

Adjacent Streets			
Name:	Classification:	R/W Width:	
Fifth Street	Local	100 feet (divided with median)	

## **Analysis**

The applicant is requesting an encroachment agreement for a proposed a wrought-iron fence with brick columns, intruding approximately 10 feet into the street right-of-way along an unopened section of Fifth Street.

The Technical Review Committee reviewed this request on April 26, 2017 and determined that the proposed encroachment would not affect public safety or interfere with street or utility maintenance needs. Fifth Street is an unopened public right-of-way and is not maintained by the City.

The site plan for the proposed structure is attached depicting its approximate location and the associated encroachment.

# Recommendation

Based upon TRC's review, the existing structure will not affect public safety or interfere with street or utility maintenance. Staff recommends approval of this requested right-of-way encroachment.

# **Report Preparation**

This report was prepared by Planning and Development Department staff member Justin S. Westbrook, CZO and was reviewed by Robert L. Robbins, AICP and G. Lee Burnette, AICP.

RETURN TO: JoAnne Carlyle, City Attorney City of High Point P.O. Box 230 High Point, NC 27261

Prepared by: JoAnne Carlyle, City Attorney

**NORTH CAROLINA** 

**GUILFORD COUNTY** 

RIGHT OF WAY
ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT
AND FENCE EASEMENT

**NTC** 

THIS ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT AND FENCE EASEMENT (Agreement) made this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017, between **THE CITY OF HIGH POINT**, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina (the "City") and **HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY**, a North Carolina nonprofit corporation, (the "University").

### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the City owns the public right of ways known as N. Centennial Street, E. Farriss Ave., and a section of unimproved Fifth Street as shown on a map entitled "Plat No. 2, Sherwood Park" as recorded in Plat Book 11 Page 67 of the Guilford County Register of Deeds; and

WHEREAS, the City owns property lying between two 34-foot right of ways of the northern and southern margins of E. Farriss Ave., indicated as City Park on the above referenced "Plat No. 2, Sherwood Park", said City Park being transferred to the City of High Point in Deed Book 921 Page 518 of the Guilford County Register of Deeds; and

WHEREAS, the University desires, for its interest and convenience, to construct, maintain, and put in place a decorative fence and wall constructed of brick or metal, or a combination of the two materials, hereafter known as "Improvements", in said public rights of way, and in said City Park as described on attached Exhibit A; an

WHEREAS, the City under the terms and conditions herein set forth, is willing to allow the above described Improvements to be made, and allow the University to encroach upon the above-referenced City-owned right of ways, and grant an easement upon the above referenced City-owned park.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the promises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the University hereby covenants and agrees that:

- 1. The University is responsible for any and all expenditure of labor or materials required in the installation, erection, repair, maintenance or location of the above-referenced Improvements.
- 2. The University is responsible for any and all labor or expense, which results from any and all future maintenance and repair of such Improvements, and the removal or dismantling of the Improvements if and when the Improvements are removed.
- 3. The University is to be fully responsible for any and all property damage or injury to or death of any person which results from any and all negligence, omission, defect in design, maintenance or workmanship created by the University, its agents, employees, contractors or subcontractors in connection with the Improvements, or any cause of action arising out of the installation, maintenance, location, or existence of said Improvements or any other cause of action arising out of the planting, installation, maintenance, location, or existence of said Improvements (collectively, "Claims and Causes of Action").

# 4. The University agrees:

- (a) to hold the City, its officers, agents and employees harmless from any and all liability arising out of any such Claims and Causes of Action, and
- (b) to defend the City, its officers, agents and employees and pay all attorney fees in any and all actions brought as a result of such Claims and Causes of Action; and
- (c) indemnify the City, its officers, agents and employees against any and all loss sustained by reason of such Claims and Causes of Action.
- 5. The University, prior to construction of the Improvements, agrees to submit to the City detailed Construction Drawings and shall secure approval from the City of all permits required for the construction of the Improvements.
- 6. The University agrees to abide by all lawful statutes and ordinances governing installation of the Improvements as contemplated herein.

- 7. This Agreement shall not divest the City of any rights or interest in said rights of way or the City-owned Park.
- 8. The University shall contact "NC One Call Center" prior to excavation where and in the manner required by the NC One Call law.
- 9. This Agreement shall be binding upon and ensure to the benefit of all of the parties hereto and their heirs, personal representatives, grantees, successors, and assigns.
- 10. All matters relating to this Agreement shall be governed by laws of the State of North Carolina without regard to its choice of law provisions, and venue for any action related to the Agreement shall be Guilford County Superior Court or the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina.
- 12. All notices required herein shall be deemed given by depositing such in the United States Mail, first class, and addressed as follows:

If to City: City of High Point Office of the City Manager P.O. Box 230 High Point, NC 27261

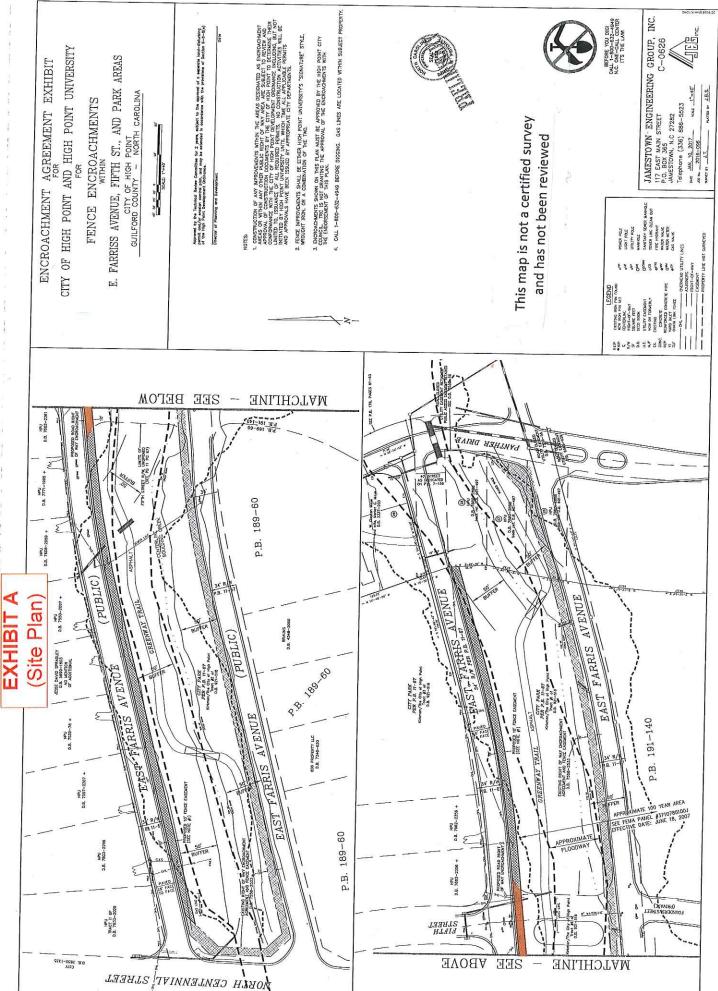
If to University
High Point University
Attn: Barry Kitley
1 North University Parkway
High Point, NC 27268

NOW, THEREFORE, the City, for and in consideration of these promises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant to the University, its successors and assigns, a revocable encroachment and easement for the Grantee's Improvements, as described in the attached Exhibit, for so long as the property and right of ways are not needed by the Grantor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of High Point has caused this instrument to be signed by its Mayor and attested by its Clerk and its seal to be affixed by the duly-granted authority of its City Council, the day and year first above written.

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY:	CITY OF HIGH POINT
JoAnne Carlyle, City Attorney	By:William S. Bencini, Mayor
ATTEST:	SEAL
Lisa B. Vierling City Clerk	
NORTH CAROLINA GUILFORD COUNTY	
I, Cynthia C. Duncan-Smith, a Notary certify that Lisa B. Vierling is known to me as she personally appeared before me this date; as act of the said City of High Point, the foregoin Mayor, sealed with its corporate seal, and attest	nd, that by authority duly given, and as the g instrument was signed in its name by its
Witness my hand and official seal this	the day of May, 2017.
My commission Expires:	Notary Public

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