**BILL NO. 12 - 2016**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2016 - \_\_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VACATION, DISCONTINUANCE AND STRIKING FROM THE CITY’S GENERAL PLAN OF STREETS OF PORTIONS OF GRAHAM PLACE IN THE SECOND (2ND) WARD OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

 ***WHEREAS***, a Petition of the owners of a majority of all the properties abutting that portion of Graham Place to be vacated hereby has been presented to the Council of the City of Bethlehem requesting said vacation; and

 ***WHEREAS***, the City Planning Commission at its meeting of March 10, 2016, recommended to City Council the vacation of Graham Place from its intersection with Vine Street to its intersection with New Street; and

 ***NOW, THEREFORE***, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

 SECTION 1. that that portion of Graham Place as hereinafter described be, and the same is, hereby vacated, discontinued, abandoned and stricken from the City’s General Plan of Streets:

*All those lots, tracts or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of Bethlehem, in the County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and being public right of way, owned now or formerly, the City of Bethlehem and to be granted to City of Bethlehem Parking Authority as shown on a map entitled: “Right-of-Way Vacation for City of Bethlehem Parking Authority, Graham Place, City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania:, dated December 22, 2015, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows, to wit:*

***BEGINNING*** *at the corner of the intersection of the southerly right-of-way of Graham Place (36 foot right-of-way) and the westerly right of way of New Street (60 foot right-of-way);*

*The following eight (8) courses:*

*1.* ***N77° 09’ 39” W, 94.13 feet****, to a point, thence\_\_*

*2.* ***S86° 22’ 01” W, 49.01 feet****, to a point, thence\_\_*

*3.* ***S86° 27’ 57” W, 152.42 feet****, to the corner of the intersection of*

 *the southerly right-of-way f Graham Place and the easterly right of way of Vine Street, thence\_\_\_*

*4.* ***N03° 32’ 03”W, 36.00 feet****, to the corner of the intersection of the*

 *northerly right-of-way of Graham Place and the easterly right of*

 *way of Vine Street, thence\_\_*

*5.* ***N86° 27’ 57”E, 152.39 feet****, to a point, thence\_\_*

*6.* ***N86° 22’ 01” E, 54.19 feet****, to a point, thence\_\_*

*7.* ***W 77° 09’ 39” E, 88.35 feet****, to the corner of the intersection of*

 *the northerly right of way of Graham Place and the westerly right*

 *of way of New Street, thence\_\_*

*8.* ***S04° 08’ 06” E, 37.64 feet*** *to the Pont and Place of* ***BEGINNING***

***CONTAINING*** *10,629 square feet or 0.244 acres of land more or less.*

***SUBJECT TO****: all easements, restrictions, covenants, agreements of record.*

 SECTION 2. The City reserves unto itself an easement for the maintenance, construction and reconstruction of any underground utilities presently located on or under the vacated street . This Ordinance is subject to the execution of an easement agreement in recordable form that is satisfactory to the City.

 SECTION 3. That upon final enactment of this Ordinance, the City Engineer be and he hereby is, authorized, empowered and directed to strike from the City’s General Plan of Streets that portion of Graham Place described in Section 1 hereof, as a public street of the City of Bethlehem.

 SECTION 4. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed.

 Sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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 PASSED finally in Council on the day of , 20\_\_\_.

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 President of Council

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

 This Ordinance approved this day of , 2015.

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 Mayor