

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: VACATION OF PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT ACROSS PORTIONS OF SOUTHTOWN SUBDIVISION (300 AND 310 S 17<sup>TH</sup> ST)**

**BACKGROUND:**

In 1974, with the Final Plat for Southtown Subdivision, a public utility easement was recorded along the north/south lot line between Lots 3 (300 S 17<sup>th</sup> St) and Lot 4 (310 S 17<sup>th</sup> St). Recently, a developer of the area has submitted a Plat of Survey to move this lot line which would mean that the public utility easement would fall well within the lot area and could hinder development of that lot. The developer has therefore requested this portion of easement be vacated.

**Staff has reached out to right-of-way users to inventory what utilities (private and public) exist within the easement area. Ames Electric has private service lines that feed the existing parking lot lights. Ames Electric is supportive of vacating the easement and any changes to the parking lot light service will be paid for by the developer of the area. All other responses indicated the area to be clear of private utilities.**

Attachment A is a map showing the location of the existing easement and Attachment B shows the proposed lot configuration and new easement. A new public utility easement will be included as part of the new plat, which will be recorded once approved.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Set the date of public hearing as December 22, 2020 to approve the vacation of the aforementioned easement.
2. Do not proceed with the vacation of the aforementioned easement.

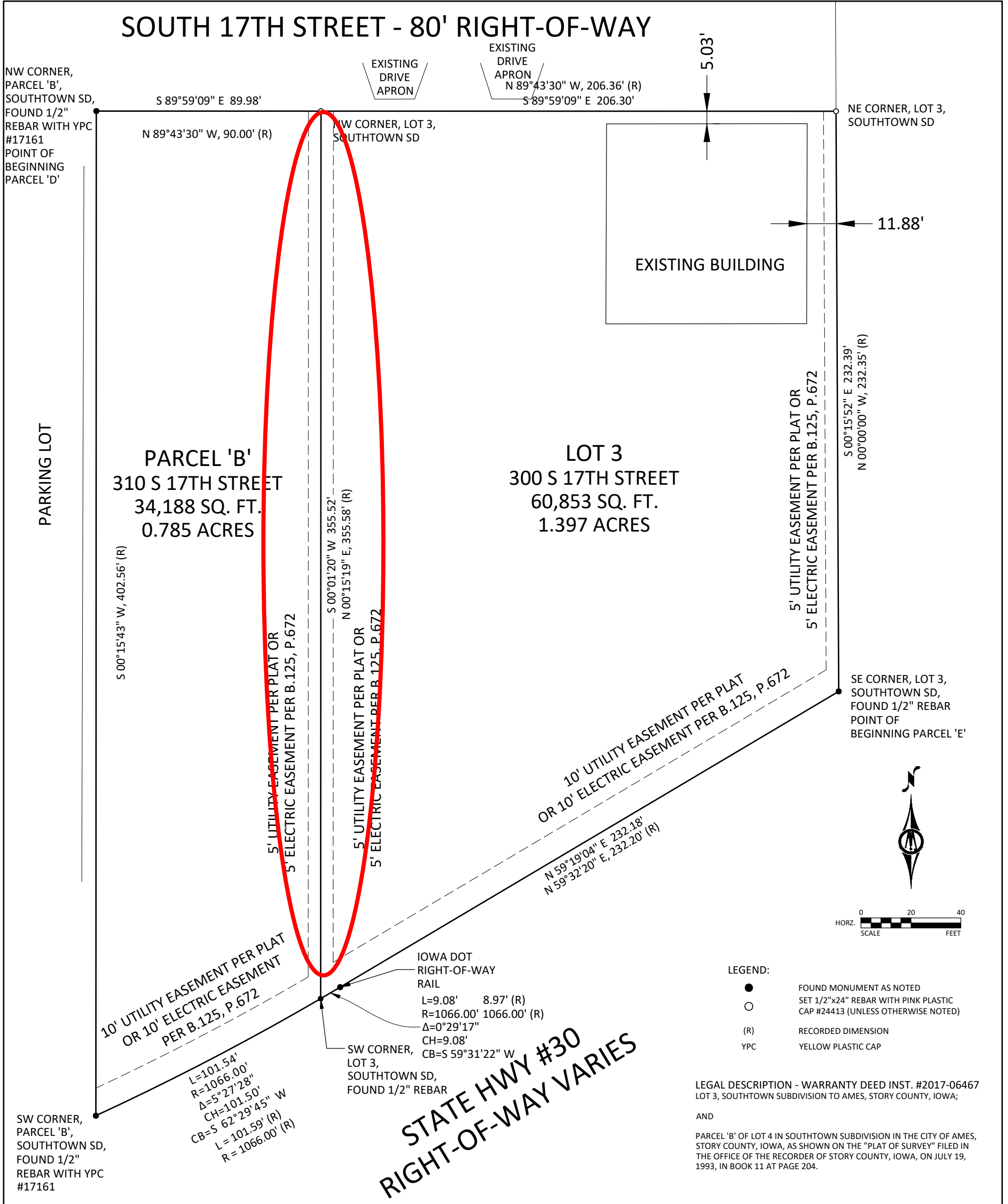
**CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The public utility easement can be vacated because Electric is the only owner of existing facilities (parking lot lights), which will be relocated at the developer's expense.

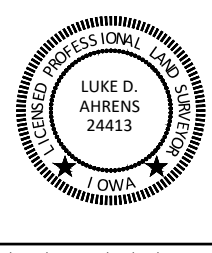
Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.

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PROPRIETOR:	SOUTH 17TH STREET, LLC
SURVEYOR:	LUKE D. AHRENS, P.L.S. #24413
SURVEYOR COMPANY:	BOLTON & MENK, INC.
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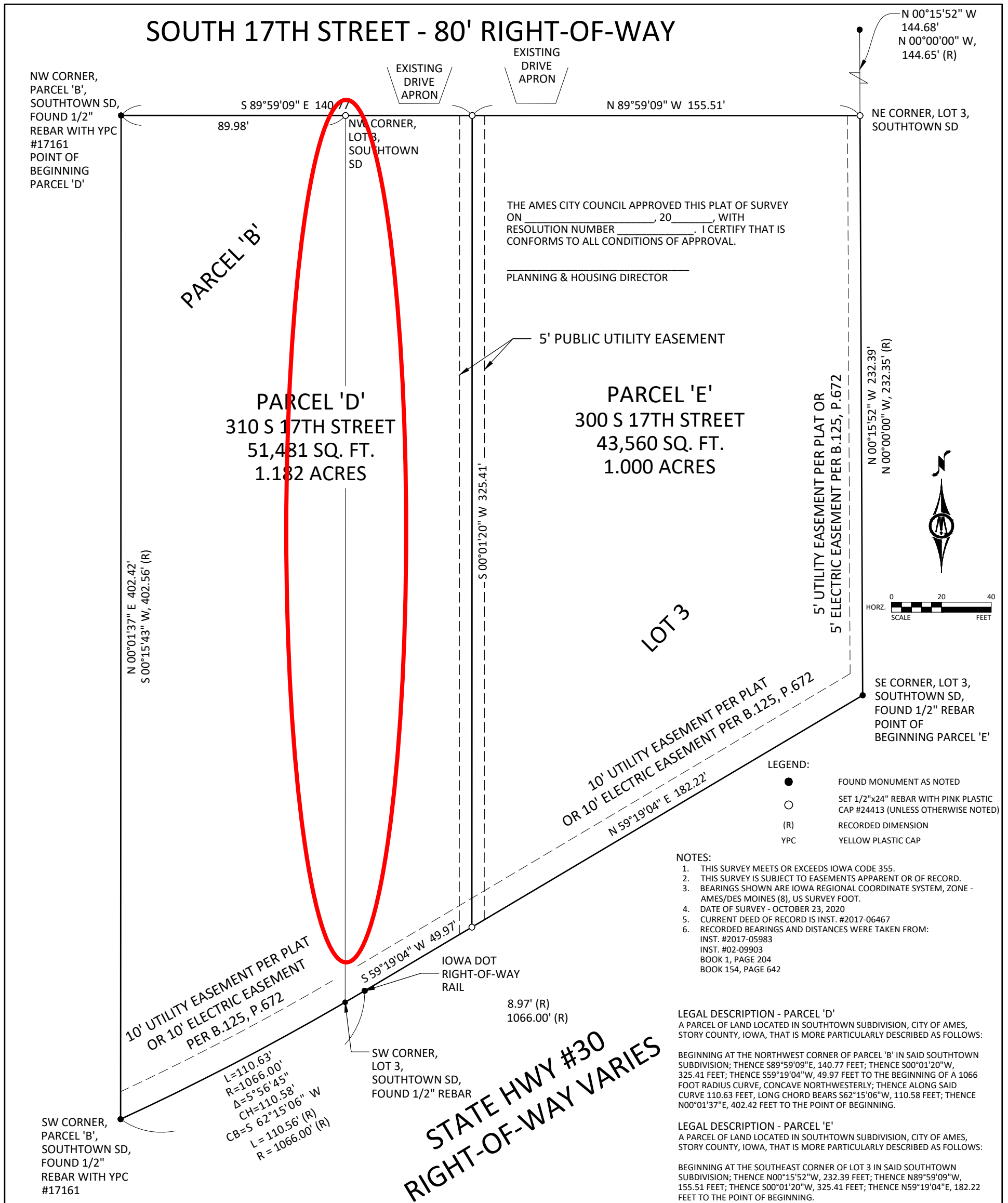
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**PLAT OF SURVEY - BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT - PARCELS 'D' & 'E'**  
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