

Responses to Village Council Questions July 15, 2025

First Reading: ORD 2025-10830 B. Ordinance: Updating the Village's Comprehensive Plan

1. *Are there any other streets in the Village that are similar to the Grant Street issue - a street with two adjacent dead ends that could be connected?*

Staff has identified three situations that are similar. However, none of these three have two adjacent dead ends.

41st at Earliston/Elm



62nd and Blodgett



Florence ROW between Otis and Lincoln (Pedestrian access only)



Manager's Report: INF 2025-10861 A. Information: Council Governance Discussion

- 1. How often is the "4-hour rule" for staff time used? Does staff think that 4 hours is the appropriate duration?*

The "4-hour rule" has been used on very few occasions over the past few years. The current New Business procedures and Long Range Plan Priority Action Items efforts have been used very effectively in recent years and have reduced the use of the "4-hour rule." Almost all work is initiated by the Council as a group (Priority Action Items) or through the New Business process.

The most recent use of Council directed work has been completed in conjunction with New Business items. Pursuant to Council policy, staff may spend up to four hours completing preliminary research on New Business items prior to the items being presented to the Council on a meeting agenda, if requested.

Staff thinks that four hours is the appropriate duration for this type of work. Any work product prepared under the "4 hour rule" is provided to the entire Council.