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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MASTER STREET PLAN (ORDINANCE NO. 8601) TO CONSTRUCT A BIKE LANE ADJACENT TO RIVER ROAD; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2014, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 8601, adopting a new City of North Little Rock Master Street Plan ("Master Street Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Master Street Plan currently proposes a bike path through the development of the Esplanade Apartments ("Apartments") (see map attached hereto as Exhibit A), and the developer of the Apartments has proposed instead to construct a bike lane adjacent to the development (see map attached hereto as Exhibit B); and

WHEREAS, the developer collaborated with the North Little Rock Planning Commission, the Design Review Committee and the City Engineer during the Site Plan Review to find a solution to fulfilling the intent of the Master Street Plan while also supporting the developer's plan for the Apartments; and

WHEREAS, the proposal was approved (7 affirmative votes, 2 absent) by the North Little Rock Planning Commission at a regular meeting thereof held on October 13, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That Article 7.5.1 of North Little Rock Master Street Plan is hereby amended as follows:

Editor's Note: Deletions are denoted by red ~~strikethrough~~ and additions are denoted by blue underline.

Article 7.5.1: Bike Paths and Trails
~~b. Railroad spur trail along 15th Street west of Pike Ave. to Riverview Park~~

SECTION 2: That Article 7.5.2 of the North Little Rock Master Street Plan is hereby amended as follows:

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Article 7.5.2: Bike Lanes/Enhanced Roadway Shoulders
k. River Road from Paul Duke Dr. to existing bike path entrance

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4. That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 5. It is hereby found and determined that the rezoning of the above-described land as provided for herein is immediately necessary in order to insure the proper and orderly growth of this land and of the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas, and being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSORS:

Linda Robinson

Council Member Linda Robinson

ATTEST:

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/kt

FILED 11:05 A.M. _____ P.M.
By Amy Fields CA
DATE 10-20-20

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector
North Little Rock, Arkansas

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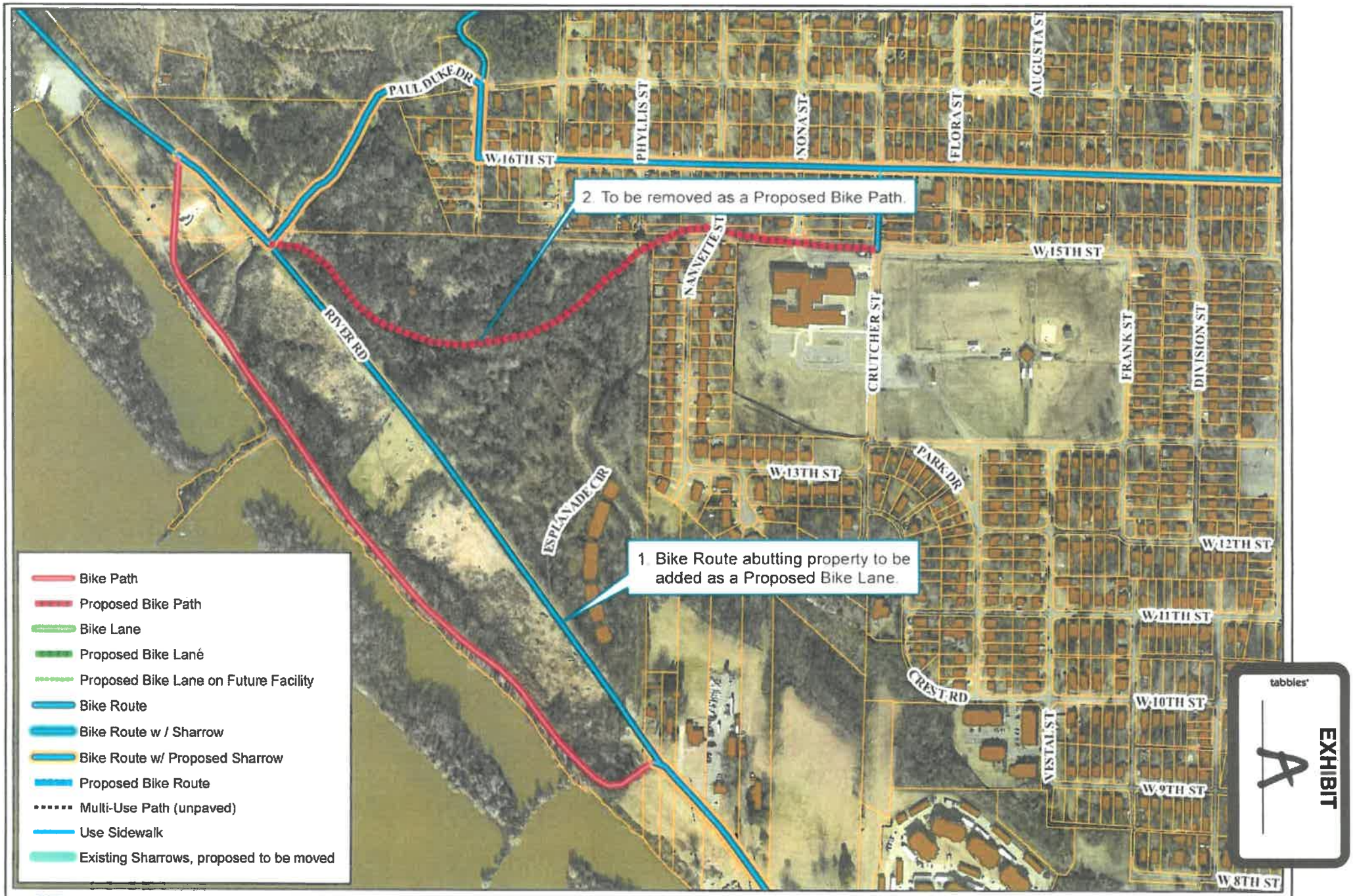
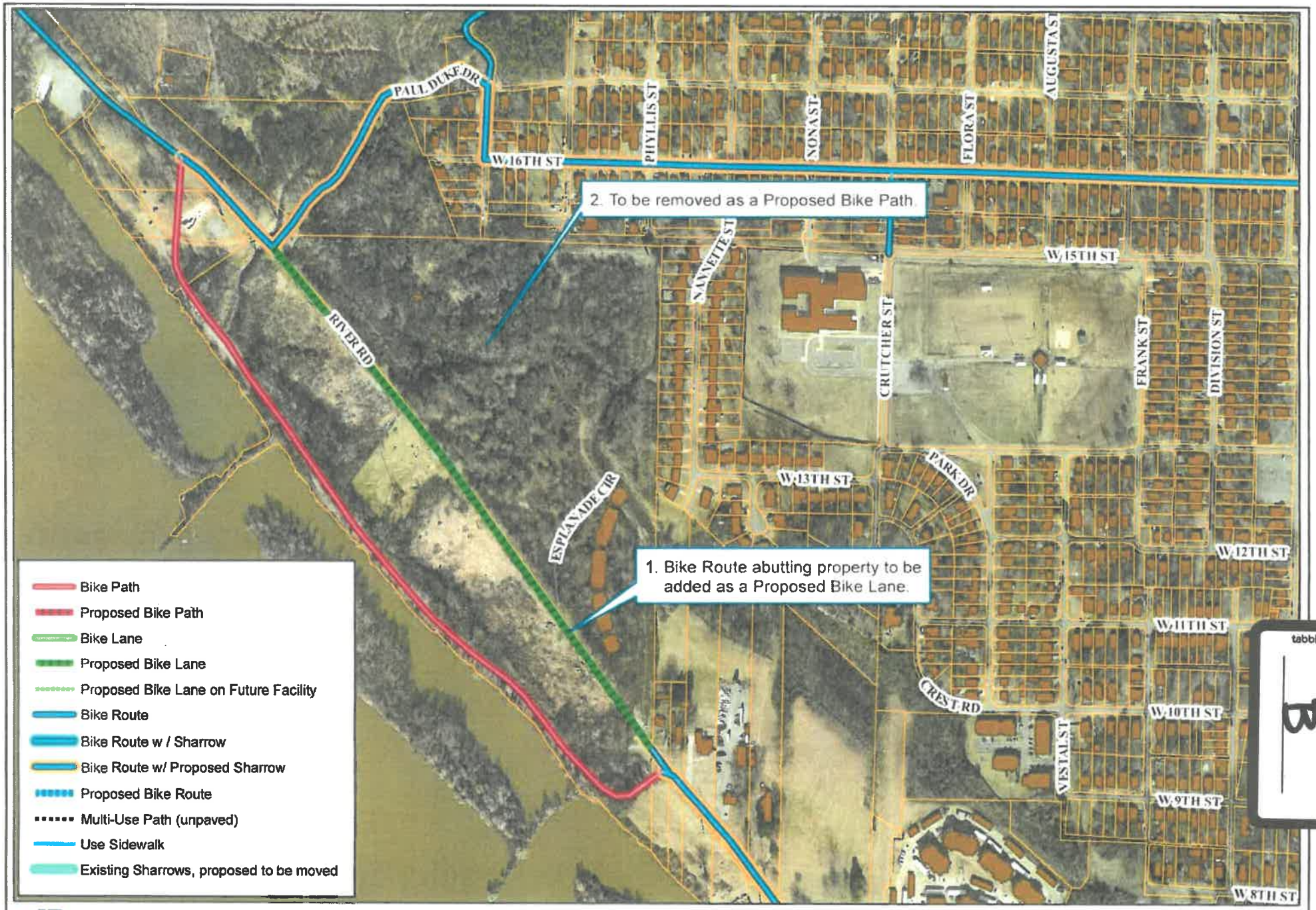


Current Bike Plan: #1, #2

Date: 10/2/2020



Proposed Bike Plan: #1, #2

Date: 10/2/2020

This map is not survey accurate.