

March 9, 1965

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Honorable Members of Avon Lake
City Council,
City Hall, Avon Lake, Ohio

Honorable Sirs:

Please be advised that I have accepted, for official filing, certified copies of Ordinances Nos. 2-65 through and including 6-25 dealing with vacations of certain portions of property in Avon Lake no longer required for public purposes.

The procedure followed in these cases is to charge the total amount of land area to correspond with the amount being transferred to the abutting property owner by reason of the Vacation, thus increasing the value of land to the extent of the addition.

However, I have received two objections to adding the property to the tax duplicate of the property owner involved. A further complication arises from the fact that the properties, when used for public purposes, and so dedicated, are placed in a tax exempt status. If a property is not accepted by the abutting property owner and the ownership remains in the City of Avon Lake and is not used nor dedicated for public use, I would accordingly place it in a taxable classification.

This matter is being brought to your attention to give official notice as to what procedure will be followed in our Transfer and Appraisal Departments.

If your honorable body has any questions whatsoever regarding the procedures I have outlined above, please direct them to my attention as I desire to fully cooperate, with the intent and the directive of Council in the passage of the legislative measure.

Yours truly,

Joseph J. Mitock
Joseph J. Mitock,
Lorain County Auditor

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