



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** David A. Hulseberg, Village Manager

**FROM:** William Heniff, AICP, Director of Community Development

**DATE:** January 6, 2011

**SUBJECT:** **Alley Vacation/Easement Dedication: Wilson Ave. & Graham Ave.**

Attached is an Ordinance vacating a twenty foot (20') wide portion of an unimproved alley and also granting a public utility easement over the proposed area to be vacated. The unimproved public alley exists west of Main Street, between Graham Avenue and Wilson Avenue. This request is being brought forward by the Village of Lombard, per the past recommendation of the Public Works Committee through its Alley Maintenance Program. The alley is unimproved and the abutting residents have functionally used it as part of their rear or interior side yard in the past. While there are no Lombard utilities located within the alley right-of-way, staff suggests that a public utilities and drainage easement be granted over the area to be vacated. Public Works staff supports the vacation request as it does not serve the transportation needs of the Village.

A neighborhood meeting was held on October 26, 2010 regarding the proposed alley vacation. One resident attended the meeting to hear more about the pending vacation. To date, staff has not received any comments in opposition of the vacation. Should the vacation be approved by the Village Board, each abutting property owner will receive the abutting ten (10) feet of the vacated alley as depicted on the attached plat of vacation.

### **ACTION REQUESTED**

Please place this item on the January 6, 2011 Village Board agenda for consideration. Staff recommends approval of the attached Ordinance.