

**CITY OF STARBASE, TEXAS  
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-3**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARBASE, TEXAS, ABANDONING AND VACATING A ROAD FORMERLY A SIXTY (60) FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOWN AS JOANNA STREET IN THE CITY OF STARBASE, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A DEED CONVEYING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER; PROVIDING SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Starbase, Texas (the “City”), is a Type C general-law municipality, incorporated pursuant to Chapter 8 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 311.002 of the Texas Transportation Code provides that a general-law municipality has exclusive control over highways, streets, and alleys of the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 311.008 of the Texas Transportation Code provides that a general-law municipality, such as the City of Starbase (“City”), has the authority to vacate, abandon, or close a street or alley within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Property the City desires to abandon is presently a street, originally platted in 1981, and replatted in 2022 as a sixty (60) foot right of way currently within the corporate limits of Starbase but never used by the public since the date of incorporation, because it was previously conveyed and owned in fee by Space Exploration Technologies Corporation as shown on Exhibits “A”, “B” and “C”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Property is (i) a 1.19 acre parcel (right of way) part of a 31.41 acre tract located at Lot 1, Block 1 Mars Crossing Replat No. 2 Subdivision that the City wishes to convey, (ii) platted prior to the 2025 municipal incorporation of the City, and (iii) is now located beneath existing structures owned by the property owner acquired prior to municipal incorporation of the Starbase, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Property, Joanna Street is 1.19 acres of the 31.41 acre tract located between Block 1 and Block 2, in The Spanish Dagger Subdivision, Section II and Lot one (1), Block one (1) recorded in Cabinet 1, Page 277A, and on the Mars Crossing Replat No. 2 recorded in Cabinet 1, Page 4638 in the Map Records of Cameron County, Texas as shown on Exhibit “A” the 2022 plat.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STARBASE, TEXAS THAT:**

**SECTION 1. Incorporation of Premises.** The above and foregoing premises are true and correct and are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

**SECTION 2. Findings.** After due deliberations the City Commission has concluded that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the City of Starbase, Texas, and of the public health, safety and welfare.

**SECTION 3. Abandonment.** The City Council hereby approves the abandonment of the Property described as Joanna Street 1.19 acres of the 31.41 acre tract located between Block 1 and Block 2, in The Spanish Dagger Subdivision, Section II and Lot one (1), Block one (1) recorded in Cabinet 1, Page 277A, and on the Mars Crossing Replat No. 2 recorded in Cabinet 1, Page 4638 in the Map Records of Cameron County, Texas as shown on Exhibit “A” the 2022 plat.

**SECTION 4. Authorization.** The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into any agreement, document, or quitclaim deed necessary to effectuate the abandonment of the Property and conveyance to Space Exploration Technologies Corporation without monetary compensation.

**SECTION 5. Savings/Repealing Clause.** All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict; but such repeal shall not abate any pending prosecution for violation of the repealed ordinance, nor shall the repeal prevent a prosecution from being commenced for any violation if occurring prior to the repeal of the ordinance. Any remaining portions of said ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 6. Severability.** It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Commission that the phrases, clauses, and sentences of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Commission without the incorporation of this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

**SECTION 7. Engrossment/Enrollment.** The City Clerk is hereby directed to enroll and engross this Ordinance by copying the exact Caption and Effective Date clause in the minutes of the City Commission and by filing this Ordinance in the Ordinance Records of the City.

**SECTION 8. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its date of passage in accordance with law.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Commissioners of the City of Starbase, Texas on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

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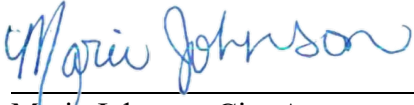
Bobby Peden, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Caroline Cole, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

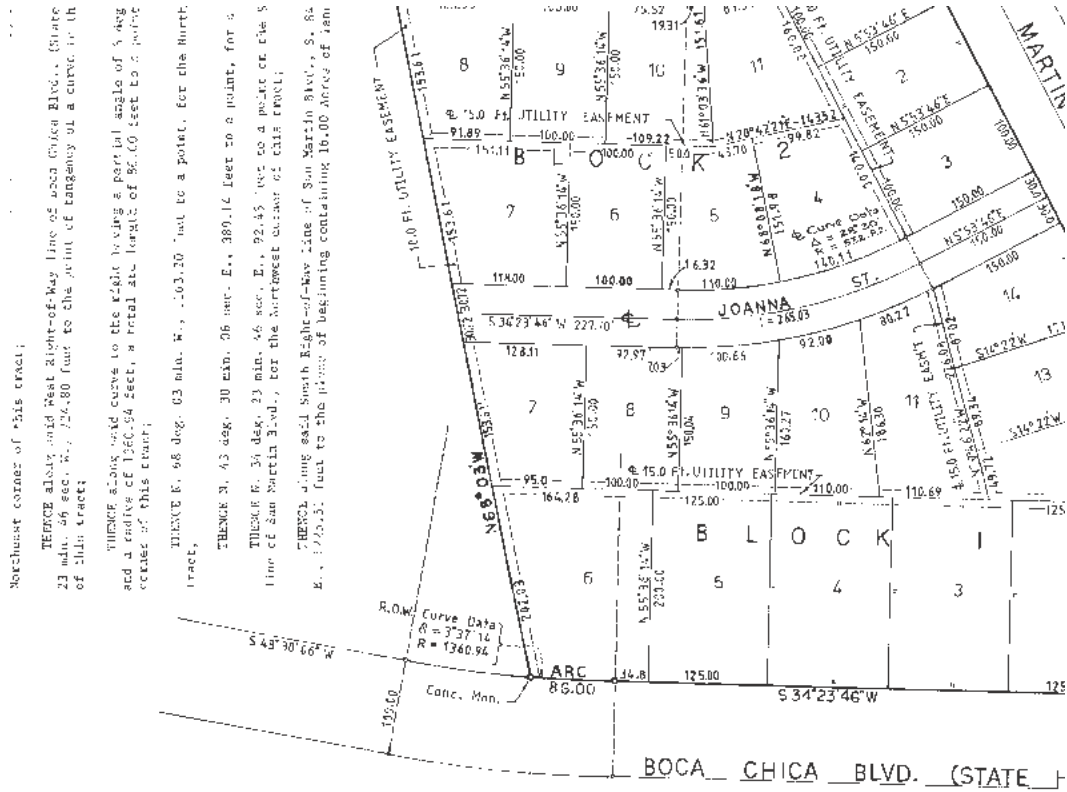


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Marie Johnson, City Attorney

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# EXHIBIT "B"



# EXHIBIT "C"

