

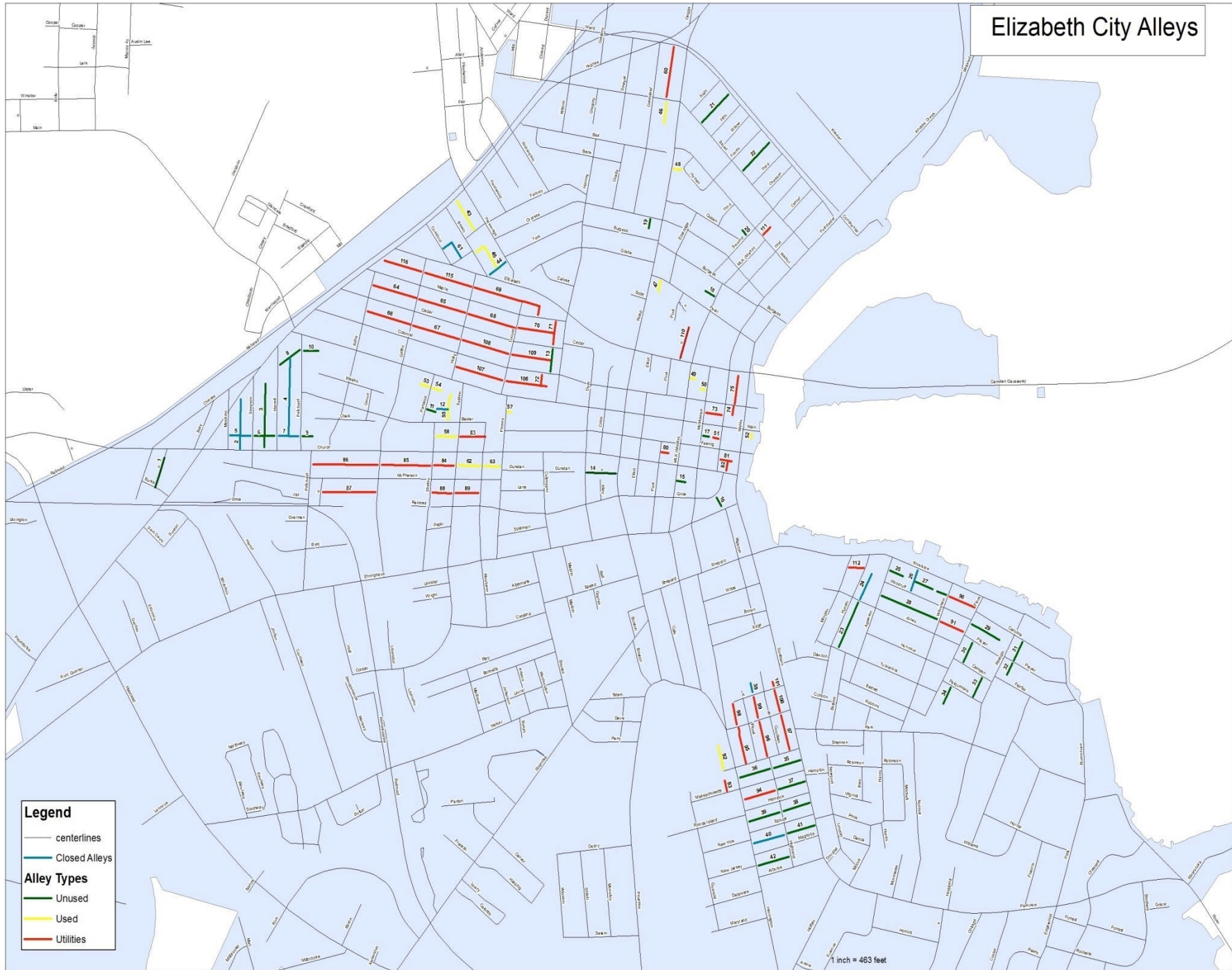


# Elizabeth City Alleys

- In 2011, Staff was tasked with identifying the city's alleys. We went out and visited each alley, took pictures and noted utility poles and condition of the alleys. Deed Research was done as well.



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**Legend**

- centerlines
- Closed Alleys
- Alley Types**
- Unused
- Used
- Utilities

1 inch = 463 feet

## 3 Types of Alleys

- UTILITIES: Alleys used by the City for the delivery of **public utilities**, primarily overhead power (45 alleys - 17,050 feet) Alleys that are used to deliver public utilities should be cut back and graded once a year to allow for the passage of a typical boom truck in the Electric Division of Public Utilities.

- USED: Alleys used by adjacent property owners for access / egress from their back yards (18 alleys - 3,660 feet) – Alleys that provide access to adjacent property owners should be evaluated on a case by case basis. Those that function as regular access to multiple property owners will be cut back and the surface graded once a year to allow for the one way passage of a pick-up truck or mid to full size car. Those alleys that service a single property should be recommended for formally abandonment from public use by the City Council in favor of the property owner that currently has exclusive use.

- *UNUSED: Alleys that have no apparent use (42 alleys - 12,920 feet)* - Alleys that currently have no apparent use will be reviewed by the committee with a recommendation to the full council to formally abandon the alley.

# Closed Alleyways

- There are currently 11 Alleys in the GIS database that have been closed by the city. Dates range from 1968 to 2010.

# 2013 EC Alley Committee

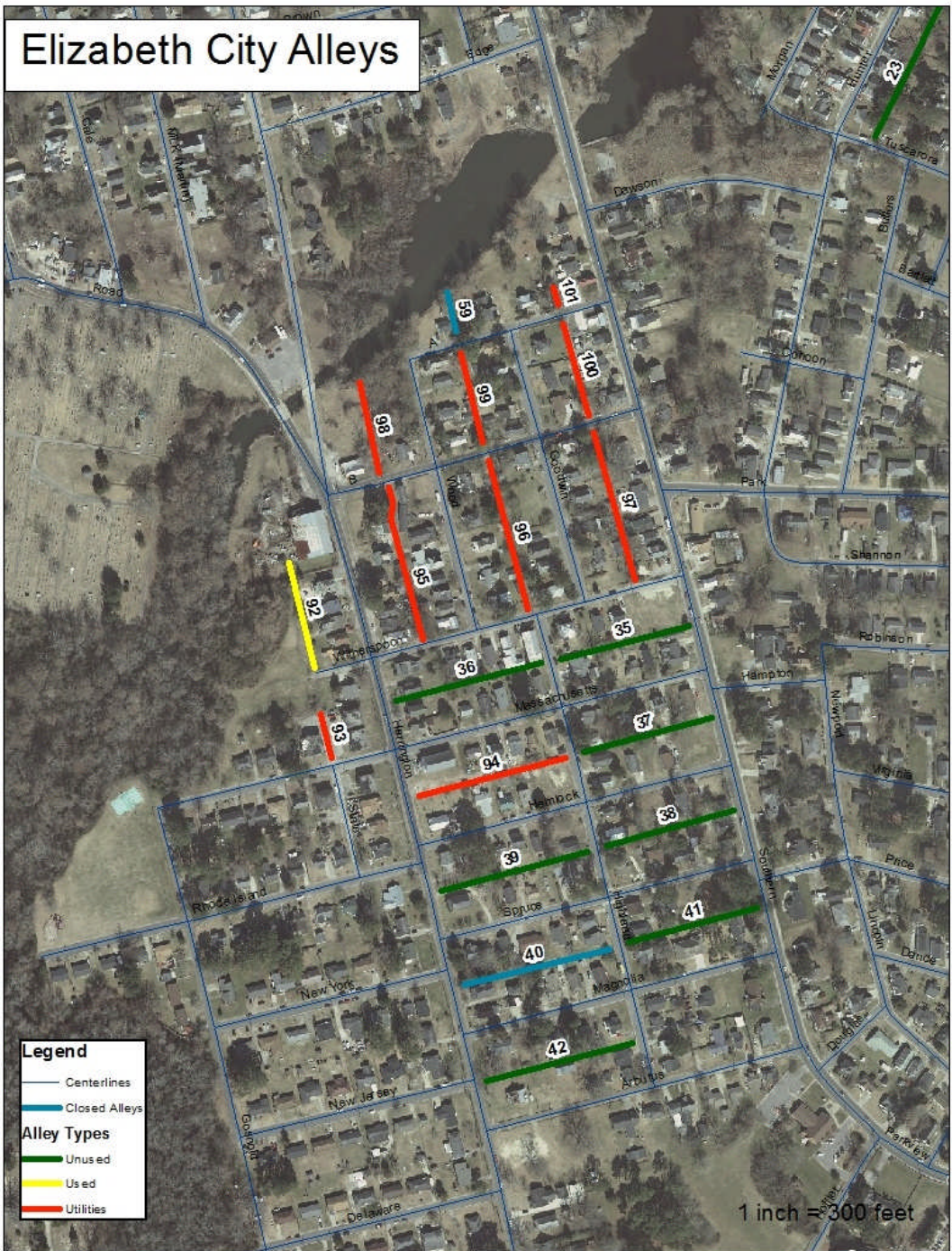
- The Committee is made up of Staff, Councilmen Brooks, Hummer, Walton, and Baker as well as city attorney, Mr Morgan.
- It was decided to take one ward at a time and visit the alleys personally and then decide on the course of action, either to leave as an alleyway or to vacate. If the alley is used by the property owners or as a utility easment, it will be left open.



- The committee toured the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Alleys on 6/18/2013. There are currently 17 Alleys in that area.
- They documented their findings based on whether there were Utilities in the alley, used as ingress/egress by property owners, or if there was no visual signs of an alley, such as no curb cut, large trees, shrubs, fences or buildings in the alleyway.



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Alley Number	Type	Name	Notes	Current Status	Committee Recommendation
101	Used	A Street	Used by residents to access property	OPEN	Leave Open
100	Used	B/A Streets	Used by residents to access property	OPEN	Leave Open
99	Utilities	B/A Streets	Utilites/used by resident to access property	OPEN	Leave Open
98	Utilities	B/A Streets	No Utilities, trees, weeds	OPEN	Vacate
97	Utilities	B/Witherspoon	Utilites/used by resident to access property	OPEN	Leave Open
96	Utilities	B/Witherspoon	Utilites/used by resident to access property	OPEN	Leave Open
95	Utilities	B/Witherspoon	Utilites/used by resident to access property	OPEN	Leave Open
42	Unused	Highland/Herrington	Building Encroachment, fences	OPEN	Vacate
39	Unused	Highland/Herrington	Building Encroachment, trees	OPEN	Vacate
36	Unused	Highland/Herrington	Trees, shrubs,	OPEN	Vacate
94	Utilities	Highland/Herrington	Building Encroachment, fences	OPEN	Vacate
38	Unused	Highland/Southern	Building Encroachment, fences	OPEN	Vacate
37	Unused	Highland/Southern	Building Encroachment, trees	OPEN	Vacate
35	Unused	Highland/Southern	Building Encroachment, fences	OPEN	Vacate
93	Utilities	North of Massachusetts	Used by residents to access property	OPEN	Leave Open
41	Unused	Highland/Southern	Checking	OPEN	
92	Used	North of Witherspoon	Utilites/used by resident to access property	OPEN	Leave Open

- 8 Alleys were recommended to be vacated, with one additional alley needing additional information before recommendation.
- Also, problems such as code violations, limbs on power lines, overgrown weeds in utility or used alleyways were noted and forwarded to the appropriate departments.