



## Land Use & Environment Committee

### Vacating Street and Alley Right-of-Way

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#### **Title**

Vacating Street and Alley Right-of-Way

#### **Recommended Action**

##### **City Manager Recommendation:**

Briefing only; no action required.

#### **Report**

##### **Issue:**

To provide a briefing on the process to vacate street and alley right-of-way.

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#### **Background and Analysis:**

Street vacation is a process to remove the public's interest in streets that are no longer needed. A petitioner must complete an application asking the City to consider the request.

Councilmembers have asked for a briefing on current process and procedures.

The following topics will be addressed:

- Application process
- Criteria for approval
- Staff review and evaluation
- Fee structure

#### **Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):**

The intention of the Municipal Code is to ensure that vacating city streets and alleys, or portions thereof, will not have negative effects on private properties or the general public. The process is intended to assure the city's long range transportation and land use goals are met. City streets and

alleys are considered community resources and their abandonment through this process should uphold the public's interest.

**Options:**

Not applicable at this time.

**Financial Impact:**

Not applicable at this time.