Department of Community Planning and Economic Development – Planning Division

Vacation of right-of-way Vac-1508

Date: April 23, 2007

Applicant: Hennepin County Housing, Community Works and Transit

Address of Property: Vacation occurring within the block bounded 28th Street East, 11th Avenue South,

the Midtown Greenway and 10th Avenue South

Project Name: Not applicable for this application

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Date Application Deemed Complete: Not applicable for this application

End of 60-Day Decision Period: Not applicable for this application

End of 120-Day Decision Period: Not applicable for this application

Ward: 9 Neighborhood Organization: Midtown Phillips, Powderhorn Park Neighborhood

Association, Central Neighborhood Improvement Association and Phillips West Neighborhood

Existing Zoning: R2B and I1

Proposed Zoning: Not applicable for this application

Zoning Plate Number: 26

Legal Description: Not applicable for this application

Proposed Use: Open space

Concurrent Review:

Vacation 1485: Hennepin County Housing, Community Works and Transit has applied to vacate a

portion of a public alley

Applicable zoning code provisions: Not applicable for this application

Background: The applicant has petitioned to vacate a portion of the north-south alley located in the block bounded by 28th Street East, 11th Avenue South, the Midtown Greenway and 10th Avenue South. As part of the vacation the applicant will be constructing a new portion of the alley that leads out to 10th

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Avenue South. The applicant will be utilizing the property for open space and access to the Midtown Greenway.

<u>VACATION (Vac1508)</u> – All that part of the alley in Block 2, Avery's Chicago Avenue Addition to Minneapolis according to the recorded plat thereof, Hennepin County, Minnesota, as follows: Beginning at a point located 6.68 feet north of the southeast corner of Lot 25, said Addition, then East to the west line of Lot 8, said Addition, then South to a point located 24 feet south of the south line of Lot 13, said Addition, then West to the east line of Lot 19, said Addition, then north to the point of beginning.

Development Plan: The applicant intends to use the property for open space and access to the Midtown Greenway.

Responses from Utilities and Affected Property Owners: Of the utilities and/or affected property owners that have responded Xcel Energy has requested an easement.

Findings: The Public Works Department and the Community Planning and Economic Development Department – Planning Division find that the area proposed for the vacation is not needed for any public purpose and it is not part of a public transportation corridor.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation of the Department of Community Planning and Economic Development – Planning Division for the vacation (Vac1508):

The Department of Community Planning and Economic Development – Planning Division recommends that the City Planning Commission and the City Council accept the above findings and <u>approve</u> the vacation application subject to the retention of an easement in favor of Xcel Energy.

Attachments:

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- 1. Vacation petition and maps
- 2. Responses from the utilities and affected property owners
- 3. Legal descriptions and maps of the alley to be vacated and the proposed new alley
- 4. Site plan showing the proposed access plan to the Midtown Greenway