

Department of Community Planning and Economic Development—Planning Division
Alley Vacation
Vac-1530

Date: November 13, 2007

Applicant: Sarah Dietrich

Address of Property: Not applicable, see attached map.

Contact Person and Phone: Sarah Dietrich (612-721-3009)

Planning Staff and Phone: Janelle Widmeier (612-673-3156)

60-Day Review Decision Date: Not applicable

Ward: 9 **Neighborhood Organization:** Longfellow Community Council

Existing Zoning: R1A

Zoning Plate Number: 27

Legal Description: All that portion of an alley opened by the City of Minneapolis and located in the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 01, Township 028, Range 24 and lying east of the following described line: Beginning at a point on the southwest corner of Lot 11, Block 4, Lake Street Addition thence west along the westerly extension of the south line of said Lot 11 a distance of 25.7 feet to the point of beginning of the line to be described, thence north to the southwest corner of Lot 2, Block 1, V. G. Hush's Addition and there terminating.

Existing Use: Driveway access and a private garage for the property of 3032 30th Avenue South, driveway access and a portion of a private garage for the property of 3034 30th Avenue South, and a driveway for the property of 3038 30th Avenue South.

Concurrent Review: Not applicable for this application

Background: This application was continued from the October 15th Planning Commission meeting. Sarah Dietrich has applied to vacate a portion of an alley adjacent to the properties of 3032, 3034, and 3038 30th Avenue South. The applicant owns the property of 3038 30th Avenue South. The applicant would like to construct a carport adjacent to the existing garage to provide sheltered parking for her tenants. However, before the area proposed to be vacated was an alley, it was part of the property to the west of the alley (currently 3029 and 3033 29th Avenue South). It is likely that this land would revert to 3029 29th and/or 3033 Avenue South. Only when the alley is vacated, would the County make that determination. Staff is concerned that access to the properties east of the alley and their garages would be eliminated if the vacation application is approved. The loss of parking and access would also create zoning violations. The applicant is requesting a continuance to try to obtain written consent from the

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adjacent property owners before proceeding. Alley vacations are not subject to MN Statute 15.99 requiring a decision within 60 days.

**Recommendation of the Department of Community Planning and Economic Development—
Planning Division:**

The Department of Community Planning and Economic Development—Planning Division recommends that the City Planning Commission **continue** the vacation indefinitely.

Attachments: Map