

**Department of Community Planning and Economic Development—Planning Division
Vacation, Vac-1461a&b**

Hearing Date: 11/14/05

Applicant: Harry J. Lerner, Willow Associates, LLC, 241 First Ave. N., Mpls., MN 55401

Address of Property:

- Vac-1461a: The area to be vacated is the 3rd St. N. right-of-way between 12th Ave. N. and Plymouth Ave. N.
- Vac-1461b: The area to be vacated is a portion of 12th Ave. N., west of Washington Ave. N. and east of the I-94 right of way.

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Ward: 5 **Neighborhood Organization:** North Loop Neighborhood Association

Existing Zoning: I2, Medium Industrial District

Proposed Use: The Willow Associates, LLC is proposing to vacate two rights of way: The 3rd St. N. right-of-way between 12th Ave. N. and Plymouth Ave. N.; and a portion of 12th Ave. N., west of Washington Ave. N. and east of the I-94 right of way.

Background: Planning Division staff scheduled the public hearing on this matter after receiving responses from the Public Works Department and the utility companies. The Public Work Department originally recommended denial of the vacations but would now like additional time to consider new information. Staff have also learned recently that, prior to any vacations, the Minnesota Department of Transportation must transfer land to the City. As such, the applicant has requested the matter be postponed indefinitely.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development – Planning Division for the proposed vacation of two rights of way: The 3rd St. N. right-of-way between 12th Ave. N. and Plymouth Ave. N.; and a portion of 12th Ave. N., west of Washington Ave. N. and east of the I-94 right of way.

The Department of Community Planning & Economic Development – Planning Division recommends that the City Planning Commission and City Council **continue indefinitely** the proposed vacation of two rights of way: The 3rd St. N. right-of-way between 12th Ave. N. and

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Plymouth Ave. N.; and a portion of 12th Ave. N., west of Washington Ave. N. and east of the I-94 right of way.

Attachments:

1. Zoning map
2. Easement location