

Department of Community Planning and Economic Development - Planning Division
Vacation 1586

Date: August 15, 2011

Applicant: Walker Methodist, Attn: Greg Oppgard, 3737 Bryant Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55409, (612) 827-8355

Address of Property: Petition to vacate that portion of the public alley not previously vacated within the Walker Methodist Campus bounded by Bryant Avenue South, 37th Street West, Aldrich Avenue South and 38th Street West (see attached map).

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60-Day Review Decision Date: Not Applicable

Ward: 10 **Neighborhood Organization:** East Harriet / Farmstead Neighborhood Association

Existing Zoning: R6 (Multiple-family) District

Proposed Zoning: Not applicable for this application.

Zoning Plate Number: 24

Legal Description: See attached legal description.

Existing Use: The remaining public alley on the block is currently utilized for ingress/egress to the Walker Methodist Campus which owns and occupies the entire block.

Concurrent Review: Not applicable for this application; however, on February 7, 2011, the City Planning Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit for a principal parking facility and Site Plan Review to allow a new surface parking lot adjacent to the proposed vacated areas (BZZ-5014).

Background: The applicant intends to vacate the remaining platted alley on the block but continue to use it for ingress/egress to the Walker Methodist Campus which is bounded by Bryant Avenue South, 37th Street West, Aldrich Avenue South and 38th Street West.

Development Plan: The alley will remain in its current configuration and allow for ingress/egress to the Walker Methodist Campus.

Responses from Utilities and Affected Property Owners: Minneapolis Public Works reviewed the vacation petition and recommends approval of the request. No easements were requested by any of the referral agencies that responded during the comment period.

Findings: The CPED Planning Division finds that the area proposed for vacation is not needed for any public purpose, and it is not part of a public transportation corridor, and that it can be vacated.

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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 and the City Council accept the above findings and **approve** the vacation (Vacation File 1586).

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Correspondence - Public Works
3. Maps