Chapter 19.890  
STREET, ALLEY AND WALKWAY VACATIONS

19.890.010 Purpose.

A. The purpose of this Chapter is to establish procedures for vacating unneeded rights-of-way for streets, alleys and pedestrians walkways. Two types of vacations are hereby established: standard vacations and summary vacations.

B. Summary vacations may occur when: (1) the street has been superseded by relocation, unless such vacation would either cut off all access to a person’s property that, prior to relocation adjoined the street, or terminate a public street; (2) the street has been expended for impassable for vehicular travel for five years and no public money has been expended for maintenance during such period; (3) excess right-of-way is no longer needed for street purposes; or (4) a portion of a street lies within property under one ownership and does not continue through such ownership or end touching the property of another. Summary vacations are not available if there are in-place utility facilities that are in use that would be affected by the said vacation.

C. Any vacation not considered summary vacation shall be deemed a standard vacation. (Ord. 6966 §1, 2007)


A. Application

1. The application for a requested street, alley or walkway vacation shall be submitted to the Planning Division in accordance with the provisions of 19.660 (General Application Processing Procedures).

2. In addition to any application requirements set forth in Chapter 19.660 (General application Processing Procedures), applications shall include an environmental information form, plat map, hazardous site review, hazardous materials questionnaire and a petition signed by 60% of the adjacent and affected property owners requesting the vacation.

B. Vacation Process

1. Standard Vacation Requests and Summary Vacation Requests shall be processed in conformance with the discretionary processing provisions as set forth in Chapters 19.650 (Approving Authority), 19.660 (General Application Processing Procedures), 19.670 ( Notices and Hearings), 19.680 (Appeals), 19.690 (Effective Dates) and other applicable Chapters of the Zoning Code.

2. In addition to the procedures specified above, additional administrative review procedures may apply as established by the City’s Administrative Manual: Street, Alley and Walkway Vacation Procedures. (Ord. 6966 §1, 2007)