

Department of Community Planning and Economic Development - Planning Division
Vacation 1520

Date: August 27, 2007

Applicant: A Chance to Grow, Inc. Attn: Robert DeBoer, 1800 2nd Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418, (612) 789-1236

Address of Property: Not applicable see attached map. Petition to vacate part of Main Street NE located between 19th Avenue NE and (vacated) 18th Avenue NE, and east of the railroad tracks but west of the property located at 1800 2nd Street NE.

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Planning Staff and Phone: Becca Farrar, (612) 673-3594

60-Day Review Decision Date: Not Applicable

Ward: 3 Neighborhood Organization: Bottineau Neighborhood Association

Existing Zoning: R2B (Two-family) district and I1 (Light Industrial) district

Proposed Zoning: Not applicable for this application.

Zoning Plate Number: 9

Legal Description: See attached legal description.

Existing Use: School.

Concurrent Review: Not applicable for this application.

Background: The applicant intends to utilize the vacated area for outdoor classrooms, a rain garden as well as a building expansion for the Jane Goodall “Roots and Shoots” science classrooms at New Vision School.

Development Plan: The vacation would allow for outdoor classrooms and a building expansion for the existing school. Please see the attached plans.

Responses from Utilities and Affected Property Owners: Minneapolis Public Works has reviewed the vacation petition and recommends approval of the request subject to a specific legal description and an easement for a Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail. The letter has been attached for reference. No other easements were requested by the other utility agencies.

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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 if any easements requested above are granted by the petitioner.

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 1520) subject to the provision of an easement to the City of Minneapolis for a Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail.

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Public Works letter
3. Maps