

APPLICATION TO REQUEST VACATION OF A PUBLIC STREET, ALLEY OR EASEMENT

Pre-Application: Meeting with Planning Department and Engineering Department staff prior to application submittal can help an applicant better understand the process and identify potential issues.

Application Deadline & Completeness: All required application information and payment of the application fee must be received by the deadline identified on the attached schedule.

All applications are evaluated by Planning Department staff, including the application form, fee, site plan and other relevant supporting information. If the materials submitted are deemed to be incomplete, Planning Department staff can reject the application and not place the item on the Planning Commission agenda.

Application Information Required: A site plan, drawn to scale including the following information must accompany the application form with applicant(s) and utility company signature(s):

1. Property lines and dimension
2. Location of all surrounding right-of-ways and easements
3. Size, location and use of all existing and future buildings
4. Parking stalls and drive areas
5. A written legal description of the right-of-way or easement proposed to be vacated

One full-size site plan and one 11" x 17" site plan are required. Planning Department staff may waive submission of the full-size site plan, when appropriate.

Staff Review: Staff will review all application materials and distribute to other City departments for their comments. A memo will contain City staff's recommendation to approve, approve with modifications, or deny. A copy of all application materials, including the staff memo, will be mailed to the applicant prior to the Planning Commission meeting. All materials will be available to the public through the City's website.

Planning Commission Meetings: Planning Commission meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, unless there is a conflict with an election or holiday.

- The Planning Commission receives a copy of all vacation application materials and reports from the Planning and Engineering Departments.
- The Planning Commission does not hold a public hearing, but may ask the applicant to answer questions related to the proposed vacation.
- The Planning Commission has the option of approving the request, approving the request with conditions, denying the request, or tabling a decision on the matter to their next meeting. The Planning Commission's decision is submitted to the City Council in the form of a recommendation, along with application materials, a copy of the staff report and recommendation and any other related information. All of the submitted information creates the 'public record'.

City Council Meetings: City Council meetings are usually held on Mondays twice a month. Planning Department staff will place the vacation request on the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. At this meeting, City Council will set the date of a public hearing for the request.

- The City Council president will open the public hearing. It is recommended that the applicant, or their designated representative, testify first at the public hearing by outlining what the request is and why it should be approved. The speaker may be asked to respond to questions/concerns expressed by interested parties, City Council members, or the general public.
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Public Notification:

Public Notice Sign: The St. Cloud Land Development Code requires the Planning and Zoning Department to provide the applicant a public notice sign to post on a property that will be subject to a future land use action. The sign must be placed in a visible location on the subject property at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing to be conducted by the City Council. The sign must be removed by the applicant within 48 hours after the City Council public

hearing and returned to the Planning Office. Failure to post the sign may result in delay of permit processing and postponement of public hearing.

Mailed Notification: The St. Cloud Land Development Code requires written notice of the request be mailed at least ten (10) days prior to the public hearing date. Notice of the public hearing is sent by the Planning and Zoning Department to all property owners located within five hundred (500) lineal feet of or the nearest twenty (20) property owners to the subject property (whichever is greater).

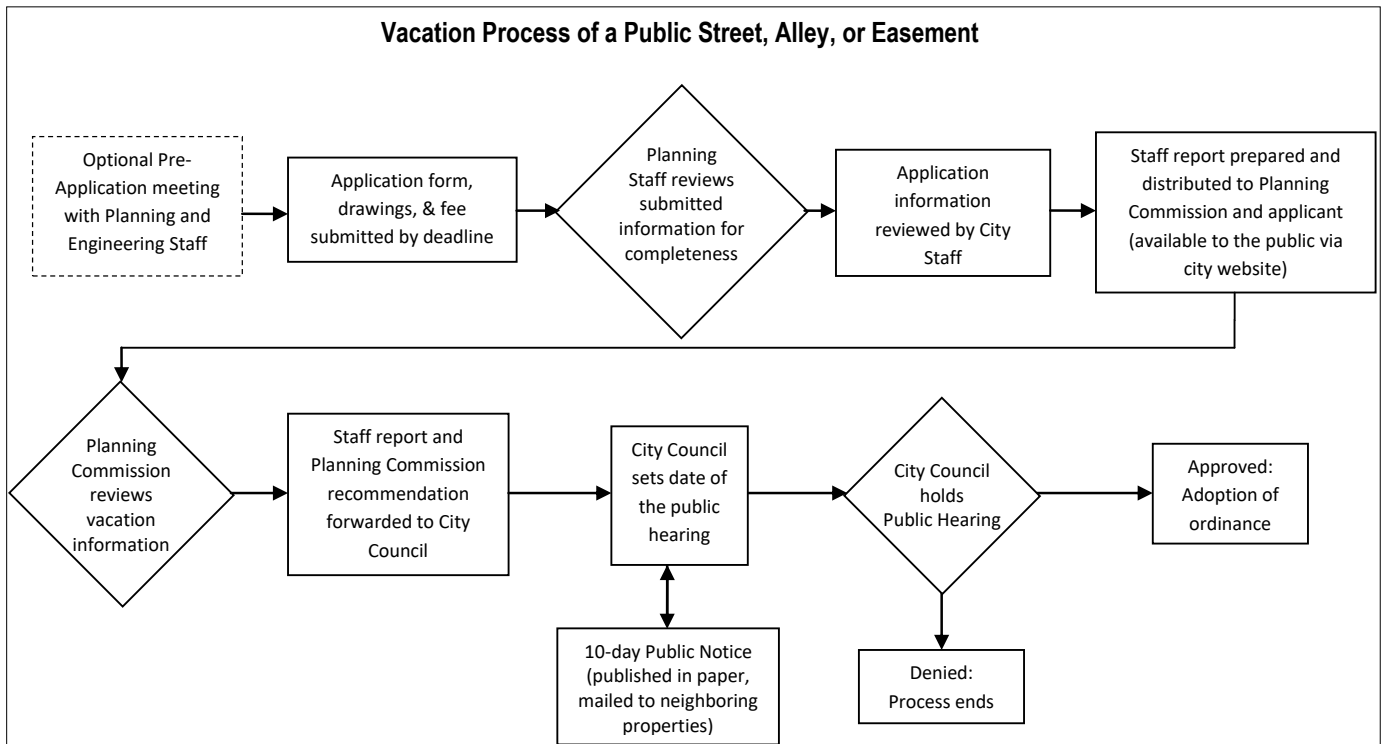
Published Notification: The St. Cloud Land Development Code requires that a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the public hearing date, the Planning and Zoning Department have notice of the public hearing before the City Council published in the legal section of the St. Cloud Times.

Withdrawal and Refund Policy:

- All withdrawal requests must be submitted by the applicant to the Planning Department in writing.
- Refund of the application may be possible if the withdrawal request occurs prior to the public hearing. The amount of the refund will depend on where the application is in the review process.

Utility Company Contacts:

Charter Communications 400 Sundial Drive Waite Park, MN 56387 Phone: 320-229-7347 Fax: 320-654-1857	Century Link Debbie Brehmer 4658 Heatherwood Rd St. Cloud, MN 56301 Phone: 320-255-8294 Fax: 320-255-8194	Xcel Energy Joe Klein 3515 3 rd St N St. Cloud, MN 56303 Phone: 320-656-2402 Fax: 320-255-8607	Stearns Electric 29643 Frontage Road St. Joseph, MN 56374 Phone: 320-363-4630 Fax: 320-256-3618	East Central Energy P.O. Box 98 1005 North Central Ave Milaca, MN 56353 Phone: 800-254-7944 Fax: 320-982-2324
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Note to Applicant: Please be aware that any written information you provide with your application or at a public hearing, including pictures, becomes the property of the City. All comments made at all meetings of the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and City Council becomes part of the public record. Virtually all Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and City Council meetings are broadcast live on cable Channel 19 in St. Cloud and rebroadcast at later dates.

Questions / Submit Completed Application To:

Planning & Zoning Department
1201 7th Street South St. Cloud, MN 56301
Phone: (320) 255-7218 Email: planner@ci.stcloud.mn.us
Website: www.ci.stcloud.mn.us

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Application received by _____ on _____

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APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name(s): _____

Address, City, State, and Zip Code: _____

Phone Number(s): _____ E-mail Address: _____

Complete Legal Description and Location of street, alley or easement to be vacated:

Utility Agencies

In Place Utilities

Century Link (Company Rep. Signature) _____

Yes No

Xcel Energy (Gas) (Company Rep. Signature) _____

Yes No

Xcel Energy (Electric) (Company Rep. Signature) _____

Yes No

Charter Communications, Inc. (Company Rep. Signature) _____

Yes No

East Central Energy (Company Rep. Signature) _____

Yes No

Stearns Electric (Company Rep. Signature) _____

Yes No

Signatures of Property Owners Adjacent to Street, Alley, Easement:

Print Name and Address

Signature

Justification for requested vacation:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ, EXAMINED AND UNDERSTAND THIS APPLICATION AND THAT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED HEREIN AND ATTACHED HERETO IS TRUE, ACCURATE AND CORRECTLY STATES MY INTENTIONS.

Applicant Signature(s) _____ Print Name _____ Date _____

PLANNING COMMISSION

2023 Schedule of Meetings

Meeting Date (meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.)	Submittal Deadline (all materials must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. unless otherwise denoted)
Tuesday, January 10	Tuesday, December 27, 2022
Tuesday, February 14	Monday, January 30
Tuesday, March 14	Monday, February 27
Tuesday, April 11	Monday, March 27
Tuesday, May 9	Monday, April 24
Tuesday, June 13	Tuesday, May 30
Tuesday, July 11	Monday, June 26
Tuesday, August 8	Monday, July 24
Tuesday, September 12	Monday, August 28
Tuesday, October 10	Monday, September 25
Tuesday, November 14	Monday, October 30
Tuesday, December 12	Monday, November 27