

**Department of Community Planning and Economic Development—Planning Division**  
Alley Vacation  
Vac-1531

**Date:** September 17, 2007

**Applicant:** Schafer Richardson, Inc.

**Address of Property:** Not applicable, see attached map.

**Contact Person and Phone:** David Frank (612-359-5844)

**Planning Staff and Phone:** Janelle Widmeier (612-673-3156)

**60-Day Review Decision Date:** Not applicable

**Ward:** 7      **Neighborhood Organization:** North Loop

**Existing Zoning:** B4S

**Zoning Plate Number:** 13

**Legal Description:** The public alley as laid out in City of Minneapolis Special Street Resolution No. 132, dated February 26, 1915, in Block 9, Hoag's Addition to Minneapolis; all according to the plat of record, and Document No. 952721, on file and of record at the Hennepin County Records office, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**Existing Use:** Parking lot

**Concurrent Review:** Not applicable for this application

**Background:** Schafer-Richardson, Inc. has applied to vacate all of the alley adjacent to the properties of 409 North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 420 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street, which are owned by the applicant. The alley is currently occupied by a parking lot. At the east end of the alley, the grade changes significantly and the area to be vacated is located partially under a highway overpass.

**Development Plan:** The applicant intends to use the vacated alley as part of the existing parking lot.

**Responses from Utilities and Affected Property Owners:** An easement was requested by the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the highway overpass.

**Findings:** The CPED Planning Division and Public Works 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 the above requested easement is granted by the petitioner.

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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, subject to the retention of an easement for MNDOT.

**Attachments:**

- 1) Draft Resolution
- 2) Maps
- 3) Photos