

# Rapid City Planning Commission Vacation of Right-of-Way Project Report

**April 21, 2016** 

Item 3

#### **Applicant Request(s)**

Case # 16VR001, Vacation of Right-of-Way for a portion of Wilma Street

Companion Case(s) #: File #16PL024, a Preliminary Subdivision Plan for the proposed Park Hill Subdivision No. 7 to create 22 residential lots

File #PW032916-07, A request to authorize the creation of an H Lot and for the City to accept the deed

### **Development Review Team Recommendation(s)**

The Development Review Team recommends that the Vacation of Right-of-Way request be continued to the May 5, 2016 Planning Commission meeting at the applicant's request.

#### **Project Summary Brief**

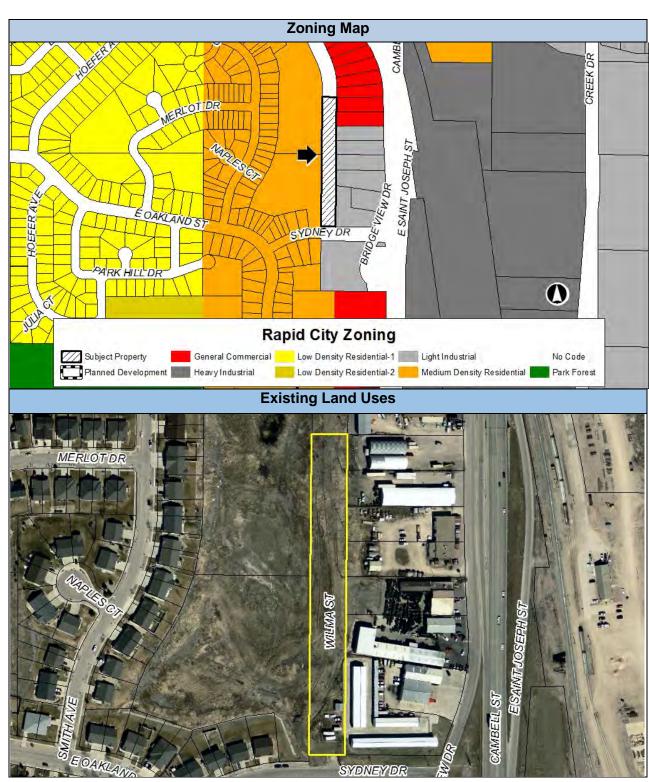
Update April 21, 2016: All additional or updated information is included in bold text. The applicant has requested that this item be continued to the May 5, 2016 Planning Commission in order to review the proposed Vacation and associated Preliminary Subdivision Plan and make revisions if necessary.

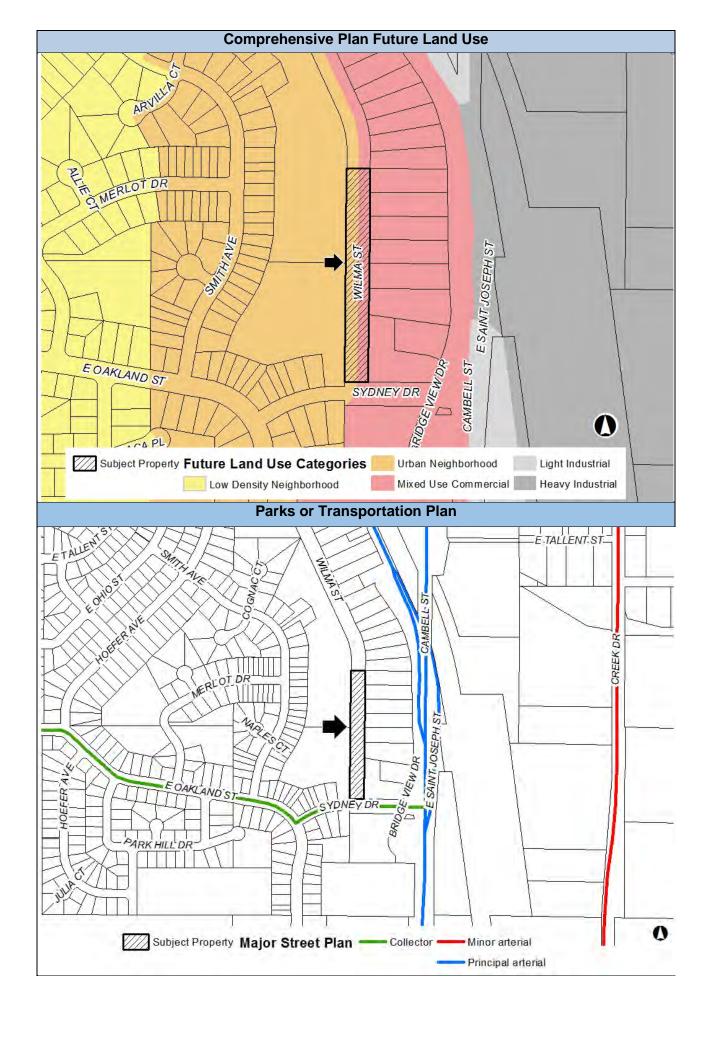
The applicant has submitted this Vacation of Right-of-Way application for a portion of the Wilma Street right-of-way located north of the existing Sydney Drive. The applicant has submitted associated Preliminary Subdivision Plan (File #16PL024) for the proposed Park Hill Subdivision No. 7 which will create 22 residential lots.

Applicant Information	Development Review Team Contacts
Applicant: Park Hill Development, Inc	Planner: Robert Laroco
Property Owner: Park Hill Development, Inc.	Engineer: Dan Kools
Architect: N/A	Fire District: Tim Behlings
Engineer: Sperlich Consulting, Inc.	School District: Kumar Veluswamy
Surveyor: Sperlich Consulting, Inc.	Water/Sewer: Dan Kools
Other:	DOT: Stacy Bartlett

Subject Property Information		
Address/Location	Approximately	
Neighborhood	Downtown/Skyline Drive Neighborhood	
Subdivision	Section 7, T1N, R8E, proposed Park Hill Subdivision No. 7	
Land Area	1.73 acres, approximately 75,477.3 sq ft	
Existing Buildings	No structural development	
Topography	Hilly	
Access	N/A	
Water Provider	Rapid City	
Sewer Provider	Rapid City	
Electric/Gas Provider	Black Hills Power/ Montana Dakota Utilities	
Floodplain	None identified	
Other	N/A	

Subject Property and Adjacent Property Designations			
	Existing Zoning	Comprehensive Plan	Existing Land Use(s)
Subject Property	N/A	MUC, UN	Wilma Street right-of-way
Adjacent North	Right-of-way, GCD, LI, MDR	MUC, UN	Wilma Street right-of-way, mixed use commercial and light industrial
Adjacent South	Right-of-way, LI, MDR	MUC, UN	Mixed residential and light industrial
Adjacent East	LI, GCD	MUC	Mixed commercial and light industrial
Adjacent West	MDR	UN	Undeveloped





Relevant Case History					
Case/File#	Date	Request			Action
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A
		Releva	ant Zoning District Regulat	tions	
N/A			Required		Proposed
Lot Area			No minimum required	1.73 a	acres, approximately
					75,477.3 sq ft
Lot Frontage			No minimum required		N/A
Maximum B		ghts	N/A		N/A
Maximum D			N/A		N/A
Minimum Bu	uilding Setl	oack:			
• Fron	ıt		N/A	N/A	
Rear		N/A	N/A		
Side		N/A	N/A		
Street Side		N/A		N/A	
Minimum Landscape					
Requiremen	its:				
# of landscape points		N/A		N/A	
# of landscape islands		N/A		N/A	
Minimum Parking Requirements:					
# of parking spaces N/A N/A		N/A			
# of ADA spaces		N/A	N/A		
Signage		N/A	N/A		
Fencing		N/A		N/A	

Planning Commission	n Criteria and Findings for Approval or Denial	
	E of the Rapid City Municipal Code the Planning	
Commission shall consider the following criteria for a request to Vacate right-of-way:		
Criteria	Findings	
1. The vacation serves the	The requested Vacation removes maintenance and liability	
interest of the City by removing	risk for a portion of the existing Wilma Street right-of-way.	
maintenance or liability risks.		
2. The property interest being	The requested Vacation is for a portion of Wilma Street	
vacated is no longer necessary	which has never been constructed. Public Works staff has	
for City operations.	noted that an existing private utility line is currently located within the Wilma Street right-of-way. The applicant is	
	proposing to retain a private utility easement for the existing	
	facilities. Prior to City Council approval, a revised utility	
	easement exhibit must be submitted showing the location	
	of the utility easement.	
3. The land to be vacated is no longer necessary for the public use and convenience.	The associated Preliminary Subdivision Plan shows an H Lot being proposed west of the Wilma Street right-of-way, to be known as Pendleton Drive to ensure access to the northern portions of Wilma Street that is not being vacated. The portions of Wilma Street requested for vacation are no longer necessary for public use. However, prior to City Council approval, the proposed H Lot must be recorded at the Register of Deeds.	
	During review of the request, staff noted that there are existing encroachments located in the portions of Wilma Street right-of-way being retained south of the proposed vacation. These encroachments must be removed prior to approval of this requested Vacation.	
4. The vacation will not create any landlocked properties.	The requested Vacation does create one landlocked property, an unplatted balance located northwest of the	

	intersection of Sydney Drive and Wilma Street. The applicant has submitted a proposed H Lot, to be known as Pendleton Drive, to be located west of the proposed Vacation which will serve to provide access to the northern portions of Wilma Street and adjacent properties. As such, the proposed H Lot must be recorded prior to City Council approval of this Vacation request.
5. The vacation will not render access to any parcel inaccessible.	Pending approval and recording of the proposed Pendleton Drive H Lot, the requested vacation will not render any parcel inaccessible.
6. The vacation will not reduce the quality of public services to any parcel of land.	Based on the associated Preliminary Subdivision plan, the requested Vacation will not reduce the quality of public services to any parcel of land, contingent upon approval of the proposed Pendleton Drive H Lot.

Planning Commission Comprehensive Plan Policy Guidance for Approval or Denial In considering an application for approval or denial the Planning Commission finds that the application either complies or does not comply with the following values, principles, goals, and policies within the Rapid City Comprehensive Plan:

	Comprehensive Plan Conformance – Core Values Chapters
	A Balanced Pattern of Growth
BPG-1.2A	<u>Priority Infill Areas</u> : The requested Vacation, in combination with the submitted Preliminary Subdivision Plan, will allow for the development of additional residential lots in an established residential neighborhood.
	A Vibrant, Livable Community
N/A	N/A
******	A Safe, Healthy, Inclusive, and Skilled Community
N/A	N/A
So It	Efficient Transportation and Infrastructure Systems
TI-2.1H	Infill and Redevelopment Coordination: The requested Vacation, in combination with the submitted Preliminary Subdivision Plan, encourages the coordination of infill development with the needs and anticipated traffic of the area street network.
8	Economic Stability and Growth
N/A	N/A
	Outstanding Recreational and Cultural Opportunities
N/A	N/A
[2] Too long contract or straight of	Responsive, Accessible, and Effective Governance
GOV-2.1A	Public Input Opportunities: The requested Vacation is before the Planning Commission for review and approval and will go before the City Council for review and approval. The public has an opportunity to provide input at these meetings. Notice of this requested is also posted in the local newspaper pursuant to requirements set forth by the Rapid City Municipal Code. All adjacent property owners have signed the Vacation petition.

Comprehensive Plan Conformance – Growth and Reinvestment Chapter			
Future Land Use Plan			
Designation(s):		Mixed Use Commercial, Urban Neighborhood	
Design Standards:			
N/A	N/A		

Comprehensive Plan Conformance – Neighborhood Area Policies Chapter		
Neighborhood: Downtown/Skyline Drive Neighborhood		
Neighborhood Goal/Policy:		
N/A	N/A	

## Findings

Staff has reviewed the Vacation of Right-of-Way request pursuant to Chapter 16.08.120.E of the Rapid City Municipal Code and the goals, policies, and objectives of the adopted Comprehensive Plan. The portion of Wilma Street proposed for vacation will no longer be required upon approval and recording of the proposed Pendleton Drive H Lot. Based on the associated Preliminary Subdivision Plan, the Vacation of Wilma Street is in the best interests of the City. The Wilma Street right-of-way is not necessary to maintain City operations or for public use and will not decrease the accessibility of property in the vicinity.

	Planning Commission Recommendation and Stipulations of Approval
Staff r	ecommends that the Vacation of Right-of-Way be approved with the following stipulations:
1.	Prior to City Council approval, the proposed H Lot to be known as Pendleton Drive shall
	be recorded at the Register of Deeds;
2.	Prior to City Council approval, the exhibit for the proposed private utility easement shall
	be revised to remove the easement located within the portion of Wilma Street being
	retained as right-of-way. An original Exhibit and three copies shall be submitted to
	Community Planning and Development Services for recording, and;
3.	Prior to City Council approval, all existing encroachments and structures located within
	the portion of Wilma Street right-of-way being retained shall be removed.