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Public Vacation Request

**A Portion of Public Infrastructure
Easement within the**

Crowder Addition to Grand Rapids

June 8, 2026



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Key Points from the Staff Report:

- **Subject area is a public infrastructure easement**
- **City staff are seeking to remove an unneeded easement for potential future development in the area**
- **Request has undergone staff and committee review**
- **Portion identified is not needed for a public purpose**



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- **Mover:** Community Development staff
- **Initiation Date:** March 9, 2026
- **Requested Vacation:** portion of public infrastructure easement

Petitioner's Stated Reason for Request: If approved, the vacation would remove an unneeded easement and help establish clear title for potential future development in the area.

- **Legally Described Vacation Request:**

That portion of the perpetual easement for street, alley and utility purposes established under Document No. 402815 recorded in the Office of the Itasca County, Minnesota Recorder, described as follows:

That part of vacated 12th Street (13th Street as shown in the Plat of Crowder Addition) lying between the southerly extension of the east line of the vacated N/S alley in Block 7 and the southerly extension of the center line of vacated 3rd Avenue SE; AND

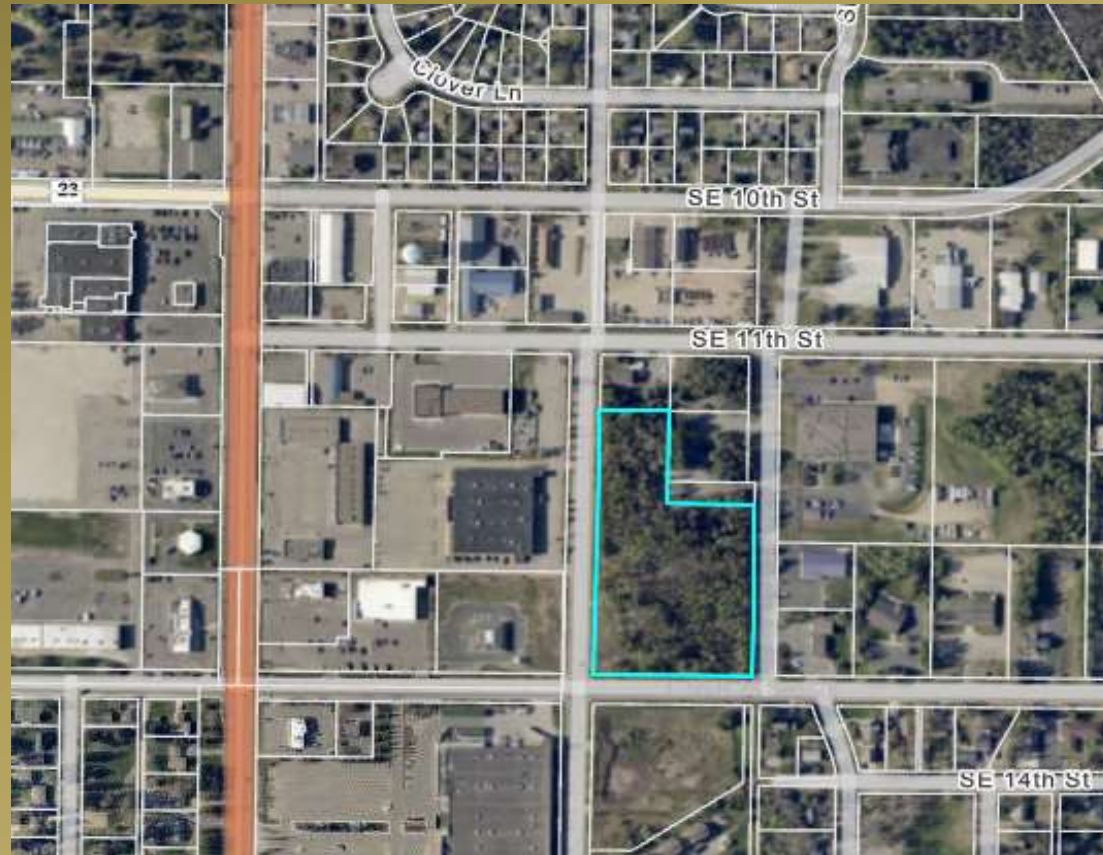
The west half of vacated 3rd Avenue SE lying adjacent to Lots 4-6, Block 7, Crowder Addition to Grand Rapids, Itasca County, MN.



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- General location in SE Grand Rapids





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- Entire easement shaded in black





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- PUC WATER DEPT
Notes:

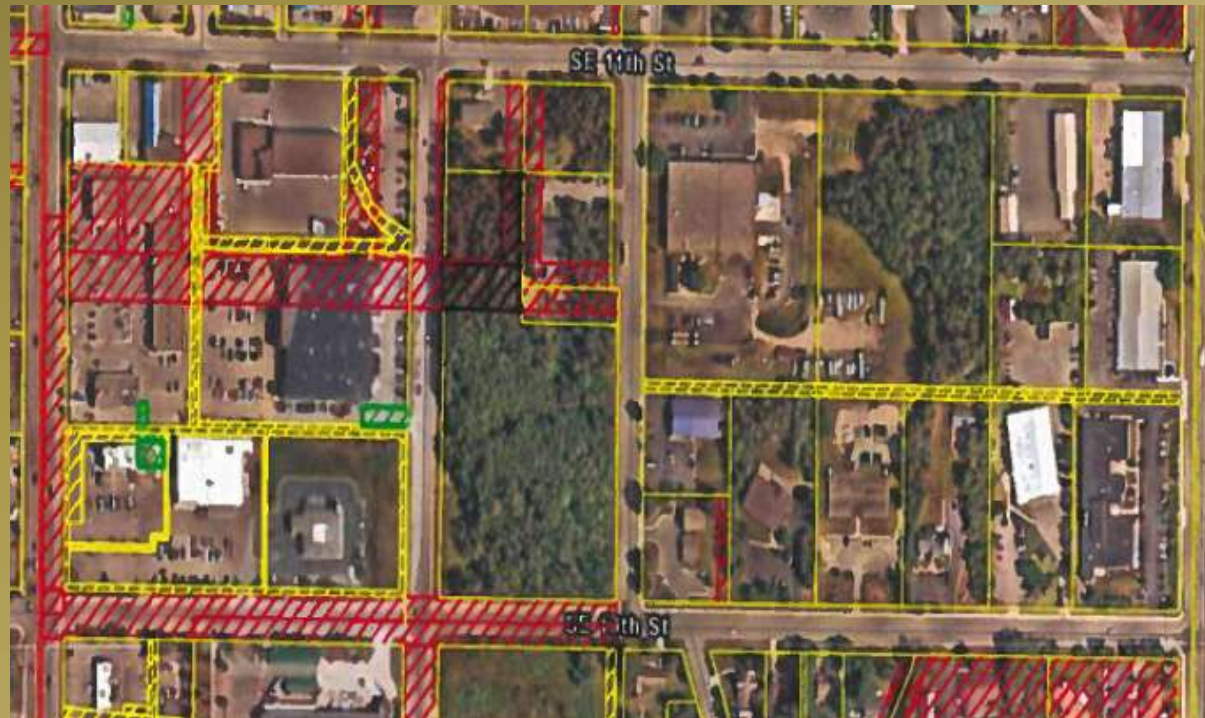




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- Revised Vacation – segment of easement in black:





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Staff Review Committee:

- **Staff review committee consists of: Engineering/Public Works Department, Community Development Department, Fire Department, Police Department, and the Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission.**
- **No issues/concerns with vacating - the segment of public infrastructure easement is not needed for a public purpose.**



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Planning Commission Considerations:

PLANNING COMMISSION

Considerations

RIGHT-OF-WAY VACATIONS

1. Is the right-of-way needed for traffic purposes?
Why/Why not?
2. Is the right-of-way needed for pedestrian purposes?
Why/Why not?
3. Is the right-of-way needed for utility purposes?
Why/Why not?
4. Would vacating the right-of-way place additional land on the tax rolls?
Why/Why not?
5. Would vacating the right-of-way facilitate economic development in the City?
Why/Why not?



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Planning Commission Findings:

The rights-of-way is not needed for traffic purposes.

The right-of-way is not needed for pedestrian purposes.

The right-of-way is not needed for utility purposes.

Vacating the right-of-way will encourage potential future improvement that will positively impact the tax rolls.

Vacating the right-of-way will facilitate economic development by clearing an unneeded easement from the property title.



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Questions?