

**FINAL RESOLUTION
TO DISCONTINUE A PORTION OF PUBLIC WAY AT COLE STREET,
CITY OF WATERTOWN, COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, WISCONSIN**

**SPONSOR: MAYOR STOCKS
FROM: PLAN COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, by this Resolution, adopted by a majority of the Common Council on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, resolves and declares as follows; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that the public way described below is vacated and discontinued under s. 66.1003 (4), Wis. Stats. The portion of public way at Cole Street to be discontinued is described as follows:

Part of Cole Street adjacent to Block 52 of Cole Bailey Company's Plat of Watertown located in the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 4,T8N, R15E, City of Watertown, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, described as:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 33; thence N89°03'27"W 2293.16 feet along the South Township Line also being the County Line; thence S9°02'40"W 82.95 feet along the West R.O.W. line of North Second Street to the Southeast corner of said Block 52 and the POINT OF BEGINNING of this description; thence S9°02'40"W 10.00 feet; thence N80°58'34"W 100.39 feet parallel with the North R.O.W. line of Cole Street; thence S9°01'26"W 20.00 feet; thence N80°58'34"W 229.40 feet along the Centerline of said Cole Street to Reference Point "A"; thence N80°58'34"W 2 feet more or less to the ordinary high watermark of Rock River; thence Northerly along said ordinary high watermark to its intersection with a line bearing N85°13'04"W from Reference Point "B". Reference Point "B" is located N3°13'34"W 2.55 feet from said Reference Point "A"; thence S85°13'04"E 2 feet more or less to Reference Point "B"; thence S85°13'04"E 4.00 feet along the South line of Lot 1, C.S.M. No. 2469; thence N4°46'56"E 3.00 feet along the West line of said Lot 1; thence S85°13'04"E 100.95 feet along the South line of said Lot 1; thence S88°33'22"E 127.01 feet along the South line of said Lot 1; thence S80°58'34"E 100.00 feet along the North R.O.W. line of Cole Street to the point of beginning.

WHEREAS, at least forty (40) days have elapsed since this Resolution in initial form was considered by the Common Council of the City of Watertown on March 18, 2025. The discontinuance of the above-described public way will not result in a landlocked property and no owner of property abutting the discontinued public way will be damaged by the discontinuance; and, a public hearing was held before the Common Council on May 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., and no sufficient written objection to the said discontinuance and vacation has been filed with the City Clerk and the discontinued public way will be vacated and the land awarded to the owner or owners of real estate pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.1005; and,

WHEREAS, Notice of Hearing Discontinuance of a Public Way in the City of Watertown was published as a Class 3 legal notice in the Watertown Daily Times on the following dates: March 25, 2025; April 1, 2025; and April 8, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, said Notice was served and/or admitted more than 30 days prior to the hearing in the manner prescribed by law on the owners of all of the frontage of the lots and land abutting upon the portion of said street to be discontinued or a waiver of notice thereof was received; and,

WHEREAS, Lis Pendens – Notice of Discontinuance of a Public Way for the above-mentioned property was recorded with the Jefferson County Register of Deeds Office on April 21, 2025, as Document No. 1494111.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Watertown, Wisconsin pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.1003 (4):

Section 1. That the public way within described is hereby vacated and discontinued. It is hereby further declared that the City Street set forth herein is hereby vacated and discontinued, provided that pursuant to Section 66.1005 Wisconsin Statutes such discontinuance shall not terminate the easements acquired and the rights of the public in any of the underground structures, improvements or services as enumerated or otherwise existing in said public way and in said description of lands hereinbefore described, but such easements and rights and all rights of entrance, maintenance, construction and repair with reference thereto shall continue as if such public way had not been discontinued; and,

Section 2. That the City Clerk shall properly post or publish this Resolution as required under s. 60.80, Wis. Stats; and,

Section 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

	YES	NO
DAVIS		
LAMPE		
BERG		
BARTZ		
BLANKE		
SMITH		
ARNETT		
WETZEL		
MOLDENHAUER		
MAYOR STOCKS		
TOTAL		

ADOPTED May 6, 2025

CITY CLERK

APPROVED May 6, 2025

MAYOR