

**FINAL RESOLUTION
TO DISCONTINUE PUBLIC WAY ON JONES STREET, NEAR AND ABOUT ITS
INTERSECTION WITH NORTH FIRST STREET,
CITY OF WATERTOWN, COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, WISCONSIN**

Sponsor: Mayor Emily McFarland
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 public way to be discontinued is described as follows:

That part of Jones Street west of the intersection with North First Street and extending west to the Rock River.

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 July 2nd, 2024. 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 August 20th 2024, 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: July 9th, 2024; July 16th, 2024; July 23, 2024; 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 September 5, 2024 as Document No. 1487439.

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		
BOARD		
BARTZ		
BLANKE		
SMITH		
SCHMID		
WETZEL		
MOLDENHAUER		
MAYOR MCFARLAND		
TOTAL		

ADOPTED September 17, 2024

CITY CLERK

APPROVED September 17, 2024

MAYOR