

# City of Northfield

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## Legislation Text

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

City Administrator

From: Sean M. Simonson, Engineering Manager

David Bennett, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Public Hearing for Ordinance vacating drainage easement on Outlot A Southbridge 1st Addition.

### **Action Requested:**

The Northfield City Council holds a public hearing on the proposed vacation of drainage and utility easement on Outlot A Southbridge 1<sup>st</sup> Addition.

#### **Summary Report:**

The owners of the parcel 22.07.3.01.069 have requested vacation of a drainage easement on Outlot A Southbridge 1<sup>st</sup> Addition.

According to Northfield Municipal Code Section 15.6:

The council may by ordinance approved by at least five (5) members vacate any street, alley or other public grounds or part thereof within the city. Such vacation may be made only after published notice and an opportunity for affected property owners and public to be heard, and upon such further terms and by such procedures as the council by ordinance may prescribe. A notice of completion of such proceedings shall be filed with the proper county offices in accordance with law.

The existing lot is zoned N2-B: Neighborhood General 2, which is described as larger vacant areas within city limits that are slated to provide a pedestrian friendly environment, a mixture of dwelling types and neighborhood-serving commercial development.

The lot is currently vacant and the current drainage easement is not serving the property, nor is needed.

This vacation request is part of a development request application for the Maple Brook Townhome project. This project will be before Council for consideration in the near future.

Notices of the Public Hearing were mailed to all properties within 350' of the Easement Vacation, and a Notice of the Hearing was published in the Northfield News.

#### **Tentative Timelines:**

- First reading of the ordinance immediately following the public hearing.
- Second reading planned for July 2, 2019.