



Legislation Text

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Title

Vacating a portion of West Johnson Street between North Randall Avenue and Campus Drive and authorizing the City to petition the State of Wisconsin Commissioner of Railroads for removal of the existing vehicular crossing of the Wisconsin & Southern Railroad (WSOR) at West Johnson Street and modification of the existing crossing on North Randall Avenue and North Orchard Street (8th AD)

Body

The University of Wisconsin has made a Rezone and Demolition application to the City of Madison to initiate their proposed New South Campus Union project located at 1308 West Dayton Street. This project has quite an aggressive schedule and is currently in design development with a projected UW bid date of January 2009 and a construction start date of March 2009 and intended occupancy by March 2011. This project requires construction coordination efforts between the University of Wisconsin, City of Madison and the State of Wisconsin Commissioner of Railroads.

The University of Wisconsin has made a request to the City of Madison to vacate a portion of West Johnson Street between North Randall Avenue and Campus Drive to facilitate their proposed New South Campus Union facility.

This project requires the removal of the existing vehicular crossings of the Wisconsin & Southern Railroad (WSOR) at West Johnson Street and modification of the crossing on North Randall Avenue and North Orchard Street. The necessary public works infrastructure designs are currently being worked on and final plans will impact the vacation limits of that part of West Johnson Street as they will the subject railroad crossings. As designs finalize, the exact limits of vacated area will be better defined and available prior to recording of this adopted street vacation resolution with the Dane County Register of Deeds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Of Madison hereby conditionally discontinues and vacates part of West Johnson Street between North Randall Avenue and Campus Drive, City of Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin under WI Ss 66.1003(2) except as required for any additional widening along Randall Ave as defined by the City Engineer; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, under Section 80.32(4), Wisconsin Statutes, any existing easements or incidental rights within the vacated portion of West Johnson Street are perpetuated as part of this vacation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to petition the State of Wisconsin Commissioner of Railroads to make a determination to remove the existing vehicular crossing of the Wisconsin & Southern Railroad (WSOR) at West Johnson Street and modification of the crossing on North Randall Avenue and North Orchard Street; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, following the adoption and recording of this resolution by the City Clerk and prior to scheduled occupancy, the University of Wisconsin shall prepare, submit to the City of Madison for approval, and record a Certified Survey Map combining all properties and vacated lands associated with the South Campus Union Project on the east side of North Randall Avenue. The Certified Survey Map will mitigate the vacation of West Johnson Street. This CSM shall dedicate public land interest rights in the event there is a need for public right-of-way or easement rights to be conveyed to the City for public infrastructure related to this project, including space for bicycle lanes and sidewalk as required by the

City Engineer and Traffic Engineer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the University of Wisconsin shall also dedicate right-of-way to the city of Madison on the west side of North Randall Avenue, sufficient to include space for bicycle lanes and sidewalk as required and approved by the City Engineer and Traffic Engineer.

Fiscal Note

No City funds required.