

ROCHESTER HILLS MUNICIPAL OFFICES
Department of Public Service
1000 Rochester Hills Drive
Rochester Hills, Michigan 48309-3033

APPLICATION and REQUEST for VACATION
of
STREETS, ALLEYS or PUBLIC GROUNDS

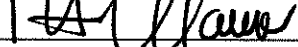
Date: 12/08/2005 Application Fee: \$200.00 Dated Paid: _____

Applicant Name: Peter C. Clauw,

Applicant Address: P.O. Box 180167

City, State, and Zip: Utica, MI 48318

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I,  (signature) hereby apply for and request the City to vacate, discontinue or abolish (description of street, alley, public ground or part thereof, to be vacated)

20 ft. wide alley adjacent to Lot 1412 and 5 feet of Lot 1411, starting westward off of Dequindre Rd. at the north-end of Lot 1414; See attached Survey

Sidwell number of applicant's property 15-25-483-008

Property

Address: 1979 E. Auburn Rd., Rochester Hills, MI 48307

Sidwell number of abutting property 15-25-483-009

Abutting property owner's name: Fast Track Ventures Acquisition; Attn: Michael Evans

Address: 24501 Ecorse Rd., Taylor, Michigan 48180

Chapter 94, ARTICLE IV: VACATING, STREETS, ALLEYS OR PUBLIC GROUNDS, of the City of Rochester Hills Ordinances, Sec. 94-172: Purpose states the following:

“As it is occasionally necessary for the health, welfare, comfort and safety of the people of the city to vacate, discontinue or abolish an existing street, alley, public ground, or part thereof, a procedure is established as provided in this article.”

(Code 1976, §4-10.01)

Bearing in mind the above Ordinance, please explain the basis on which you believe the City should consider the vacation of the street, alley, public ground or part thereof.

This property described as an “alley” is an area that stems off of Lot 1414, and traverses across Lot 1413 and behind this residential property known as Lot 1412 and 5’ of Lot 1411. I have always maintained this property, as its primary purpose is only for a utility easement. Neither the City nor the citizens of Rochester Hills have a need for access to this property, as it leads through a heavily wooded area to a perpendicular street. As a “public” alley, it is a hazard to allow citizens free access to this area, to the extent that young citizens with access to this area could utilize it for a haven of illegal activity. It is not “patrolable” by police, as it is not actually a roadway for vehicles to pass through. Again, see attached photos. I request that the city vacate either the property that directly abuts the business property to your applicant as the adjacent owner, with an easement for utilities, the only purpose for its existence. It is necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the people to vacate this property, as it relieves the city of a maintenance liability, a potentially dangerous area, an area that cannot be policed, and an area that it not used, nor has it ever been used by the City of Rochester Hills or its citizens.

View from behind 1979 E. Auburn Rd.



Alley leads through wooded,
unpatrolled area.