

We have no issues with vacating the alley in the parking lot. Vacating 12th Ave. N. causes potential access issues, especially for a high-rise building (the hospital) and the ability to use our ladder truck in an emergency situation. Without a definitive site plan, it's difficult to determine the extent of how the vacation would affect our operations. I've seen a couple of different proposed site plans and based on what I've seen we have good access off N. 27th to the east side of the building and good access to the southwest portion of the building off N. Broadway. Access looks questionable along the northwest side of the building north of 12th Ave. N. and all along the north side of the building. Regardless if the vacation is approved or not and the building site plan changes, I will ensure we have the necessary access required by the fire code when we review the building plans.

Thanks,

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