

1st Ave and 3rd Ave - No Outlet Signage

Sunday, January 4, 2026 8:43 AM

RECOMMENDATION:

Install a NO OUTLET (W14-2a) sign on the existing street name sign support. The W14-2a should be install below the 1st Avenue sign and be back to back to it is visible from both approaches.

The sign should help reduce the number of occurrences and help minimize the associated operational and safety issues of vehicles having to back out along 1st Avenue.



REVIEW:

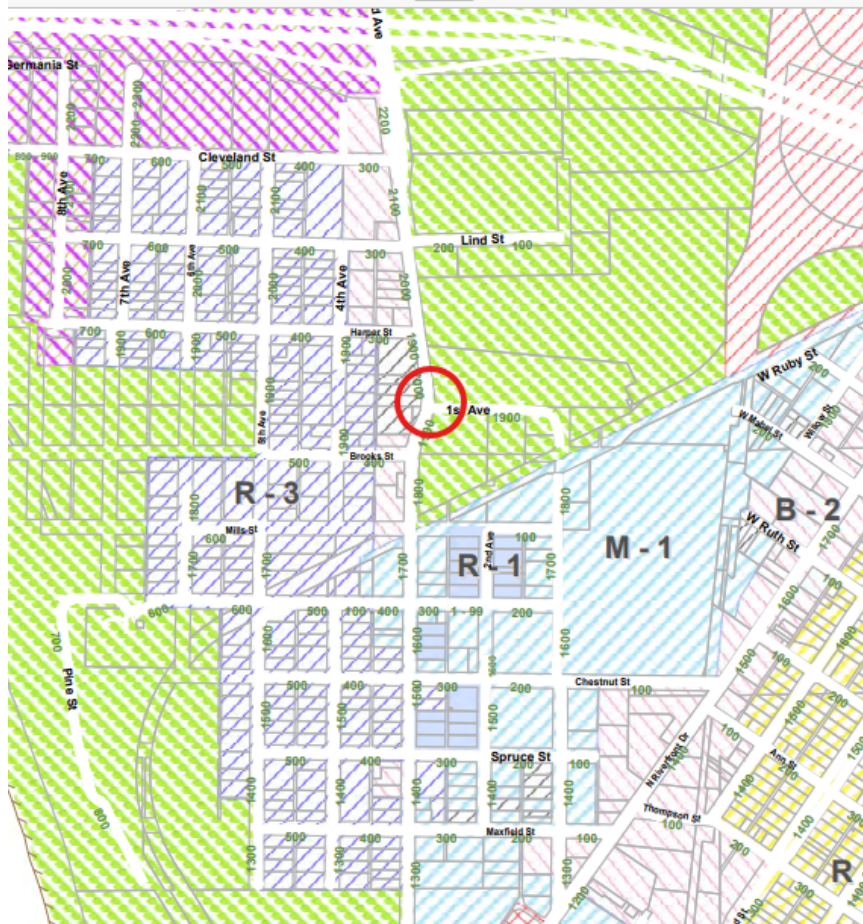
- Location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/5Cb9fCMoUmA9FV6W9>
- ZONING - The adjacent area is zoned heavy industrial, so the presence of large vehicles on a regular basis is likley.
- The alignment and length of 1st Avenue does not facilitate a sight line to the dead end, requiring drivers to commit before learning that no outlet exists.



ZONING

-  T TRANSITION DISTRICT
-  R-1 ONE-FAMILY DWELLING
-  R-2 ONE & TWO FAMILY DWELLING
-  R-3 LIMITED MULTIPLE DWELLING
-  R-4 MULTIPLE DWELLING
-  R-T RESIDENTIAL TRANSITION
-  OR OFFICE RESIDENTIAL / O OFFICE
-  CBD-C CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT CORE
-  CBD-F CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FRINGE
-  B-1 COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT
-  B-2 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT
-  B-3 HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICT
-  PI PLANNED INDUSTRIAL
-  M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL
-  M-2 HEAVY INDUSTRIAL
-  IO INSTITUTIONAL OVERLAY





Subject	Re: No Outlet Sign
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From	Maury Hooper
To	Smith, Joe
Cc	Bienfang, Cory
Sent	11/19/2025, 3:20:40 PM

Sounds good Joe.



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From: Smith, Joe <jsmith@mankatomn.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 3:09 PM
To: Maury Hooper <maury.hooper@bolton-menk.com>
Cc: Bienfang, Cory <cbienfang@mankatomn.gov>
Subject: Re: No Outlet Sign

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Hi Maury,

Let's treat this one like any of our Customer Service Requests. Please add to your list to put together the 1-page memo recommendation for the advisory committee.

Once approved by the traffic advisory committee, we would move to a city council resolution.

Let me know if you have questions.

Thanks,

Joe

From: Maury Hooper <maury.hooper@bolton-menk.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 2:56 PM
To: Bienfang, Cory <cbienfang@mankatomn.gov>; Smith, Joe <jsmith@mankatomn.gov>
Subject: Re: No Outlet Sign

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Hello Cory,

I believe that installation of "NO OUTLET" sign would address the issue.



W14-2a

This sign could be mounted in conjunction with the street name sign as depicted below. Note: the street name sign should go above the "no outlet" sign.



Let me know if you have any question.

Best,
Maury



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From: Bienfang, Cory <cbienfang@mankatomn.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 1:34 PM
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Subject: FW: No Outlet Sign

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Please review and advise.

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From: Lozinski, Kari <klozinski@mankatomn.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 12:58 PM

To: Bienfang, Cory <cbienfang@mankatomn.gov>

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They are requesting a Dead End sign.

Kari Lozinski

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From: Fischer, Dan <dfischer@mankatomn.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 8:38 AM

To: Lozinski, Kari <klozinski@mankatomn.gov>

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Not sure who should get this?

From: City of Mankato Website <communications@mankatomn.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 8:36 AM

To: Fischer, Dan <dfischer@mankatomn.gov>

Subject: No Outlet Sign

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Message submitted from the <Mankato, MN> website.

Site Visitor Name: Jennifer Brunz

Site Visitor Email: jbrunz@huntelec.com

Hello,

I am not sure where to start so I thought I would send an email-

Our business is 1905 1st Ave - Off of Third Ave in between MPM and Hubbard. (River City Electric DBA Hunt Elec)

Our road is not a Thru Street- I am wondering if there could be a sign placed at the start of 1st Ave that says No Outlet - Not a Thru Street?

We get semi's that come down 1st Ave thinking that they can get across--- Guessing to Jack Links - 99% of them can get backed out but we have a lot of equipment in the yard and it is getting harder and harder for them. Today alone there has been 3 semi 1 of them a tanker truck come in and then they realize that they can not get through and have to back out.

If you could point me to the right person to get help with this - if not you that would be great.

Thank You

Jennifer Brunz

Hunt Electric

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