

ARTICLE XIII. STREETS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS

Section 1. Jurisdiction over streets.

The Council shall have full power and authority to provide by ordinance for the acceptance, maintenance and vacating of all public streets, alleys and thoroughfares, and shall further have the right to provide by ordinance for the removal of weeds, rubbish, and debris and to assess against abutting properties benefitting therefrom the cost of removal from sidewalks and parkways of weeds, rubbish or excessive growth of grass, including debris resulting from fires or demolition of buildings or other structures.

Section 2. Dedication of streets.

No street or alley heretofore or hereafter dedicated to public use and as to which dedication by any plat of subdivision has been assented to by the City shall be deemed to have been accepted by the City for purposes of maintenance until the City has voluntarily assumed the obligation of maintenance by adoption of a resolution so to do.

Section 3. Vacating, widening or narrowing of streets; change of name of streets.

The Council shall have the right to vacate, widen or narrow any street or part thereof or to change the name of any street, provided however, that before vacating, widening or narrowing any street or part thereof or changing the name of any street, the Council shall first pass a resolution declaring its intention to take such action, and shall provide by ordinance for the publication of notice of such proposed change and fix public hearing to be had thereon and the methods of notice to be given to abutting owners or occupants.

Section 4. Installation of streets and public utilities.

No plat of a subdivision shall be accepted by the Council unless it complies with the requirements of applicable statutes and until the Council has received from the owner or subdivider of the land proposed to be subdivided adequate assurance, in the form of corporate bonds, surety bonds, escrow agreements, letters of credit or other such reasonable assurance as the Council may require, that the owner of the land will construct and install roadways and public utilities in accordance with standards adopted by the City prior to the commencement of any improvement thereof or any part thereof.