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L	LAND USE PROVISIONS
2	2007 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
1	Chief Sponsor: Michael T. Morley
5	Senate Sponsor: Gregory S. Bell
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7	LONG TITLE
3	General Description:
)	This bill modifies county and municipal land use development and management
)	provisions.
1	Highlighted Provisions:
2	This bill:
3	 modifies the standard that county and municipal land use authorities use in
1	determining whether to vacate, alter, or amend a plat; and
5	 modifies the county and municipal officials who are involved in the process of
6	vacating or altering a street or alley.
7	Monies Appropriated in this Bill:
3	None
)	Other Special Clauses:
)	This bill provides an immediate effective date.
1	Utah Code Sections Affected:
2	AMENDS:
3	10-9a-609, as last amended by Chapter 163, Laws of Utah 2006
1	10-9a-609.5, as enacted by Chapter 163, Laws of Utah 2006
5	17-27a-609, as last amended by Chapter 163, Laws of Utah 2006
6	17-27a-609.5, as enacted by Chapter 163, Laws of Utah 2006
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Section 1. Section **10-9a-609** is amended to read:

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30	10-9a-609. Land use authority consideration of petition to vacate or change a plat
31	Criteria for vacating or changing a plat Recording the vacation or change.
32	(1) If the land use authority is satisfied that <u>neither</u> the public interest <u>nor any person</u>
33	will [not] be materially injured by the proposed vacation, alteration, or amendment, and that
34	there is good cause for the vacation, alteration, or amendment, the land use authority may
35	vacate, alter, or amend the plat or any portion of the plat, subject to Section 10-9a-609.5.
36	(2) The land use authority may approve the vacation, alteration, or amendment by
37	signing an amended plat showing the vacation, alteration, or amendment.
38	(3) The land use authority shall ensure that the amended plat showing the vacation,
39	alteration, or amendment is recorded in the office of the county recorder in which the land is
40	located.
41	(4) If an entire subdivision is vacated, the legislative body shall ensure that a legislative
42	body resolution containing a legal description of the entire vacated subdivision is recorded in
43	the county recorder's office.
44	Section 2. Section 10-9a-609.5 is amended to read:
45	10-9a-609.5. Vacating or altering a street or alley.
46	(1) (a) If a petition is submitted containing a request to vacate or alter any portion of a
47	street or alley within a subdivision:
48	(i) the [land use authority] planning commission shall, after providing notice pursuant
49	to local ordinance and Section 10-9a-208, make a recommendation to the [chief executive
50	officer] land use authority concerning the request to vacate or alter; and
51	(ii) the [chief executive officer] land use authority shall hold a public hearing in
52	accordance with Section 10-9a-208 and determine whether good cause exists for the vacation
53	or alteration.
54	(b) Subsection (1)(a)(i) does not apply if the [chief executive officer] planning
55	commission has been designated as a land use authority.
56	(2) If the [chief executive officer] land use authority vacates or alters any portion of a
57	street or alley, the [chief executive officer] land use authority shall ensure that the plat is

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recorded in the office of the recorder of the county in which the land is located.

- (3) The action of the [chief executive officer] land use authority vacating or narrowing a street or alley that has been dedicated to public use shall operate to the extent to which it is vacated or narrowed, upon the effective date of the vacating plat, as a revocation of the acceptance thereof, and the relinquishment of the city's fee therein, but the right-of-way and easements therein, if any, of any lot owner and the franchise rights of any public utility may not be impaired thereby.
 - Section 3. Section 17-27a-609 is amended to read:

- 17-27a-609. Land use authority consideration of petition to vacate or change a plat -- Criteria for vacating or changing a plat -- Recording the vacation or change.
- (1) If the land use authority is satisfied that <u>neither</u> the public interest <u>nor any person</u> will [not] be materially injured by the proposed vacation, alteration, or amendment, and that there is good cause for the vacation, alteration, or amendment, the land use authority may vacate, alter, or amend the plat or any portion of the plat, subject to Section 17-27a-609.5.
- (2) The land use authority may approve the vacation, alteration, or amendment by signing an amended plat showing the vacation, alteration, or amendment.
- (3) The land use authority shall ensure that the amended plat showing the vacation, alteration, or amendment is recorded in the office of the county recorder in which the land is located.
- (4) If an entire subdivision is vacated, the legislative body shall ensure that a legislative body resolution containing a legal description of the entire vacated subdivision is recorded in the county recorder's office.
 - Section 4. Section **17-27a-609.5** is amended to read:
- **17-27a-609.5.** Vacating or altering a street or alley.
 - (1) (a) If a petition is submitted containing a request to vacate or alter any portion of a street or alley within a subdivision:
 - (i) the [land use authority] planning commission shall, after providing notice pursuant to local ordinance and Section 17-27a-208, make a recommendation to the [chief executive

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86 officer] land use authority concerning the request to vacate or alter; and

(ii) the [chief executive officer] land use authority shall hold a public hearing in accordance with Section 17-27a-208 and determine whether good cause exists for the vacation or alteration.

- (b) Subsection (1)(a)(i) does not apply if the [chief executive officer] planning commission has been designated as a land use authority.
- (2) If the [chief executive officer] land use authority vacates or alters any portion of a street or alley, the [chief executive officer] land use authority shall ensure that the plat is recorded in the office of the recorder of the county in which the land is located.
- (3) The action of the [chief executive officer] land use authority vacating or narrowing a street or alley that has been dedicated to public use shall operate to the extent to which it is vacated or narrowed, upon the effective date of the vacating plat, as a revocation of the acceptance thereof, and the relinquishment of the county's fee therein, but the right-of-way and easements therein, if any, of any lot owner and the franchise rights of any public utility may not be impaired thereby.

Section 5. Effective date.

If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah

Constitution Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.