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An alley is a narrow street, and the establishment of public alleys and thoroughfares is governed by the same rules that apply to streets. [See *Lee v. Seiz*, 13 Tenn. App. 260 (1930); *Western Union Telegraph Co. v. Dickson*, 173 S.W.2d 714 (Tenn. App. 1941); *State ex rel. Matthews v. Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County*, 679 S.W.2d 946 (Tenn. 1984).]

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