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October 1, 2019

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution of Intention to vacate the portion of Maple Way (a named public alley) between Long Beach Boulevard and Alamo Court (a named public alley); set the date of November 12, 2019, for the public hearing on the vacation; authorize the City Manager, or designee, to accept an easement deed from Onni Broadway Block Long Beach, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, the owner of the property at 200-256 Long Beach Boulevard, for alley widening purposes; and,

Accept Environmental Impact Report Addendum No. EIRA-02-17. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

Onni Broadway Block Long Beach, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, owner of the property at 200-256 Long Beach Boulevard, requests the vacation of the portion of Maple Way between Long Beach Boulevard and Alamo Court (Attachment A). This portion of Maple Way separates Lots 16 and 18 of Block 91 of the Town Site of Long Beach Tract. Vacating this portion of Maple Way would allow the applicant to merge these lots and construct the Planning Commission-approved Broadway Block development project. The applicant proposes to construct two new, mixed-use buildings (a 23-story tower and a 7-story mid-rise), with a total of 400 residential units, and restore a designated Historic Landmark building (Acres of Books). On June 6, 2019, the Planning Commission determined that the proposed vacation of the 2,502 square-foot area was in conformance with the adopted goals of the City's General Plan (Attachment B).

Additionally, when a new development is proposed, the public rights-of-way adjacent to the site are reviewed for sufficiency to accommodate the new development. To accommodate the pedestrian and vehicular traffic in the area, it is necessary that a dedication of additional right-of-way be recorded for alley widening purposes along Alamo Court (Attachment C).

Proceedings for this vacation are being conducted in accordance with Chapter 3, General Vacation Procedure, of the Public Streets, Highways, and Service Easements Vacation Law of the California Streets and Highways Code. Findings must establish that the subject right-of-way is unnecessary for present or prospective public use. The Public Works Department supports this vacation based on findings that this portion of Maple Way between Long Beach Boulevard and Alamo Court is not necessary as a vehicular or pedestrian thoroughfare.

The necessary City departments have reviewed the proposed right-of-way vacation and have no objections to this action. In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act,

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Environmental Impact Report Addendum No. EIRA-02-17 was issued in March 2019 (Attachment D).

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on July 30, 2019 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on September 11, 2019.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on October 1, 2019, to set a public hearing date on this matter for November 12, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT

A tentative vacation processing fee in the amount of \$8,331 and a dedication processing fee in the amount of \$1,285 were deposited in the General Fund Group in the Public Works Department. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



CRAIG A. BECK
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
ACTING CITY MANAGER

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ATTACHMENTS: RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO VACATE
A – VACATION SKETCH
B – PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT FINDINGS
C – DEDICATION SKETCH
D – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT ADDENDUM EIRA-02-17

