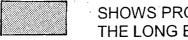


ADDAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAMPUS PROPERTY



SHOWS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

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ADVANCE PLANNING

August 19, 2004

CHAIR AND PLANNING COMMISSIONERS
City of Long Beach
California

SUBJECT:

Finding of Conformity with the General Plan for a Street Vacation

Relating to Addams Elementary School (Council District 8)

LOCATION:

5320 Pine Avenue

APPLICANT:

Jon Nowak

Long Beach Unified School District

RECOMMENDATION

Find the proposed street vacation, as depicted in Exhibit A, in conformance with the *General Plan*.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65402, no street, parcel or alley may be vacated until such action has been submitted to, and reported upon by, the Planning Commission as to its conformity with the adopted *General Plan*. The proposed street vacation is herein submitted for such review.

A portion of Fifty-third Street, as depicted in Exhibit A, has been closed to through traffic since 1996 and is used as a playground for the Addams Elementary School. The Long Beach Unified School District is requesting formal vacation of this street to allow for a contiguous school site and facilitate further upgrades to this facility. This Item was continued from the August 5, 2004 Planning Commission hearing to allow for time for community outreach.

A finding of consistency shall be made when the proposed re-use of the property conforms to the maps and policies of the *General Plan*. The *General Plan* consists of eleven elements: Land Use, Open Space, Transportation, Noise, Scenic Routes, Conservation,

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Local Coastal Program, Housing, Air Quality, Public Safety, and Seismic Safety. Each element of the *General Plan* carries the same authority concerning land use issues. All elements of the *General Plan* were considered and staff finds this vacation in conformance with all the elements of the *General Plan*. A review of the relevant elements and specific *General Plan* consistency findings are presented below:

GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY FINDINGS

Land Use Element

The Land Use Element divides the City into 21 land use districts, which provide general guidance as to the type and density of land uses considered appropriate. The street in question is located in Land Use District (LUD) 10, Institutions/Schools. This district serves basic public needs over a long period of time, enduring through changes in the surrounding socio-economic environment. The proposed vacation will not result in a change of use that would conflict with this land use district.

Transportation Element

A key goal of the Transportation Element is to establish a transportation system, which can provide sufficient mobility for people and goods throughout the city while accommodating reasonable, balanced growth. The Department of Public Works has reviewed the street vacation and has determined that the right-of-way is not needed for circulation. The street is not referenced in the Transportation Element and the proposed vacation does not contradict any policies or objectives in the *General Plan*.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

In accordance with the guidelines for implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), categorical exemption 337-04 was issued.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Find the proposed street vacation, as depicted in Exhibit A, in conformance with the General Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

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ACTING DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

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Ira Brown Planner Approved:

Angela Reynolds
Advance Planning Officer

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Attachment:

- 1. Exhibit A: Sketches depicting public right-of-way vacation and dedication
- 2. Exhibit B: categorical exemption 337-04

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CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

SKETCH NO. 807V

The proposal was reviewed by the interested city departments and public agencies, and there were no objections, provided that the following conditions of approval are included:

- 1. An easement shall be reserved for any exisiting utilities, which are known to include water, sewer, gas, and storm drain pipelines as well as electric power lines, telephone lines and street lighting conduits. No structures may be constructed within the vacated area.
- 2. An easement shall be reserved for the emergency access of the Police and Fire Prevention Department.
- 3. An easement shall be dedicated for public alley purposes over the connecting alley built between Fifty-Third and Mountain View Streets.
- 4. The vacation petitioner shall resolve any storm water drainage problems resulting from the vacation to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works.

The above conditions are flexible in that they may be adjusted in consideration of changing conditions or of new evidence which occurs or becomes available prior to the adoption of the resolution vacating by the City Council.

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RESOLUTION NO. C-

A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF FIFTY-THIRD STREET BETWEEN PINE AVENUE AND LOCUST AVENUE, IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, PART 3 OF DIVISION 9 OF THE CALIFORNIA STREET AND HIGHWAYS CODE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Long Beach adopts this resolution 12 | pursuant to Chapter 4 of the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law 13 (Streets and Highways Code Sections 8330 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, this resolution vacates a portion of Fifty-Third Street between Pine 15 | Avenue and Locust Avenue described more particularly as follows:

> That portion of Fifty-Third Street, formerly known as Spaulding Street, in the City of Long Beach, County of Los Angeles, State of California, 50 feet wide as shown on the map of Tract No. 5134, recorded in Book 58, Pages 19 and 20 of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County, bounded on the West by a line 4.00 feet west of, measured at right angles and parallel to, the northerly prolongation of the easterly line of Lot 458 of said Tract No. 5134; and bounded on the east by a line 8.00 feet west of, measured at right angles and parallel to, the northerly prolongation of the easterly line of Lot 459 of said Tract No. 5134.

> Reserving unto the City of Long Beach, its successors and assigns, over the entire area vacated herein, a perpetual easement and right-ofway for emergency access, and a perpetual easement and right-ofway, at any time or from time to time, to lay, construct, maintain, operate, repair, renew, replace, change the size of and remove the existing utility lines, including, but not limited to, sanitary sewers, storm drains and appurtenant structures, together with all necessary gates, valves, fittings, hydrants and appurtenances for the transportation of water and gas, with the right of ingress to and egress from the same, over, through, under, along and across that certain property vacated herewith; and pursuant to any existing franchises or renewals thereof, or otherwise, to construct, maintain, operate, replace, remove, renew and enlarge lines of conduits, cables, wires, poles and other convenient structures, equipment and fixtures for the operation of street lights, telephone lines and other communication lines, and for

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the transportation or distribution of electric energy, and incidental purposes including access and the right to keep the property free from inflammable materials, and wood growth, and otherwise protect the same from all hazards in, upon and over the part vacated. Access for maintenance of the above-mentioned facilities must be maintained at all times. No improvements shall be constructed within the easement which would impede the operation, maintenance or repair of said facilities. Construction of any improvements, including changes of grade, shall be subject to the prior written approval of all the City departments and public utilities responsible for the above said facilities.

WHEREAS, the above-described property is excess right-of-way and is not required for street or highway purposes; and

WHEREAS, the vacation of this right-of-way will not cut off all access to lany adjoining property; and

WHEREAS, this street has been impassable for five consecutive years with 12 no public money expended for maintenance during such period; and

WHEREAS, this property is a public service easement which has not been 14 Jused for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for five consecutive years 15 immediately preceding this vacation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves las follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Chapter 4, Part 3 of Division 9 of the California 19 Streets and Highways Code (Sections 8330 et seg.), the following findings are made 20 regarding the above-described property:

- A. That the document entitled "SKETCH SHOWING A PORTION OF 22 IFIFTY-THIRD STREET BETWEEN PINE AVENUE AND LOCUST AVENUE TO BE VACATED BY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH," attached hereto as Exhibit "A," accurately depicts the property to be vacated.
- B. That the findings of fact made by the City Council for the purposes of 26 this summary vacation of excess right-of-way pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code Section 8333(a), set forth in the document entitled "City Council" 28 Findings and attached hereto as Exhibit B, are incorporated herein and made a part of

1 this resolution by this reference. Sec. 2. The above-described portion of the right-of-way is hereby vacated 2 3 and closed. From and after the date this resolution is recorded, such vacated right-of-4 way shall no longer constitute a street or highway. Sec. 3 The City Clerk is hereby instructed to certify to the adoption of this 5 6 resolution, and to cause a certified copy to be recorded in the Office of the County 7 Recorder of the County of Los Angeles, California. Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by 8 the City Council. 10 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City 11 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of ______, 2005, by the 12 following votes: 13 Councilmembers: 14 Ayes: 15 16 17 18 Noes: Councilmembers: 19 Absent: Councilmembers: 20 21 22 23 24

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CITY COUNCIL FINDINGS

VACATION OF A PORTION OF FIFTY-THIRD STREET WEST OF LOCUST AVENUE Reference Sketch No. 807V

1. The subject right-of-way is unnecessary for present or prospective public use.

This finding is based upon the following subfindings:

- a) The subject portion of Fifty-Third Street was gated and has been impassable to public street use since 1995.
- b) This street easement has not been used for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for over five consecutive years immediately preceding the proposed dedication.
- c) In 1995, the District built a new 20-foot wide alley connection between Fifty-Third and Mountain View Streets.
- d) On April 10, 2003, the District executed an easement deed in favor of the public for the new connecting alley.
- e) On August 19, 2004, the City of Long Beach Planning Commission made a finding of General Plan conformity for the proposed vacation, as required in Section 8313 of the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law.
- f) The rights-of-way would not be useful for exclusive bikeway purposes.
- 2. The vacation of said rights-of-way will not have a significantly adverse environmental effect.

This finding is based upon the following subfindings:

- a) The right-of-way is not and will not be needed for public use.
- b) In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act, Categorical Exemption No. CE-337-04 was issued for this action.