



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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February 5, 2015

CHAIR AND PLANNING COMMISSIONERS City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Find the proposed vacation of a 69.5-square-foot portion of public sidewalk on the west side of Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue south of 6th Street (adjacent to 854 E. 6th Street) for street realignment purposes in conformance with the adopted goals and policies of the City's General Plan and accept Categorical Exemption 15-018. (District 1)

APPLICANT:

City of Long Beach Public Works Department

Attn: Meredith Elguira

333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 9th Floor

Long Beach, CA 90802 (Case No. 1501-51)

DISCUSSION

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 public right-of-way vacation is herein submitted for such review.

The applicant proposes to vacate a 69.5-square-foot portion of public sidewalk on the west side of Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue south of 6th Street (Exhibit A- Street Vacation Plan) for street realignment purposes. The proposed street vacation has been reviewed and approved by the Long Beach Public Works Department after consultation with other interested City departments.

A finding of conformity 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 11 elements and 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:

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General Plan Consistency Findings

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 subject site is located within Land Use District No. 7 (Mixed Use). The Land Use Element states that "a careful blending of different types of land uses can serve to save time and energy in transportation and communications, simplify and shorten transactions of goods and services, vitalize a site, and give it more importance in the urban structure of the City". The proposed vacation will allow the realignment of 6th Street without interfering with public access. Therefore, the proposed vacation is consistent with the Land Use Element.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

In accordance with the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, a Categorical Exemption (CE 15-018) was issued for the proposed project (Exhibit B).

Respectfully submitted,

JEFF WINKLEPLECK

ACTING PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR

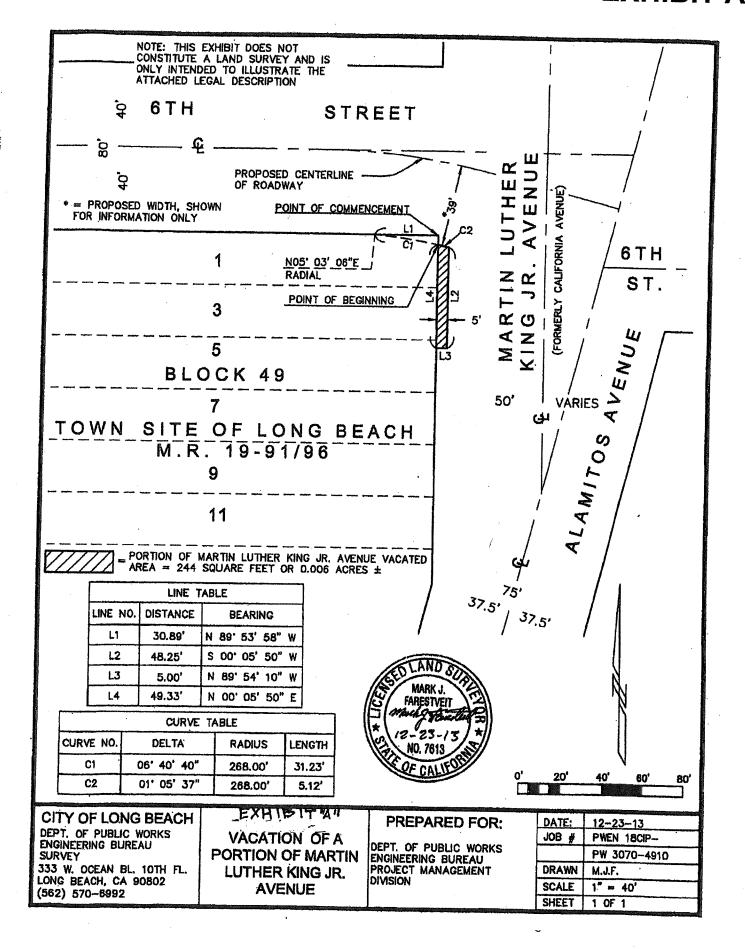
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DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

AJB:JW

Attachments: Exhibit A – Street Vacation Plan

Exhibit B – Categorical Exemption 15-018





CITY of LONG BEACH NOTICE of EXEMPTION

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L.A. County Clerk Environmental Fillings 12400 E. Imperial Hwy. 2 nd Floor, Room 2001 Norwalk, CA 90650	
Categorical Exemption CE- 15-018	
Project Location/Address: ADJACENT 854 E 6TH (SW CNR OF MLK JR AVE AND 6TH ST)	
Project/Activity Description:	
VACATE A PORTION OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY (69.5 SQ FT OF SIDEWALK) ON THE WEST SIDE OF MARTIN	
LUTHER KING JR AVENUE SOUTH OF 6TH STREET. THE PROPOSED VACATION IS PART OF A LAND EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE CITYAND ST. ANTHONY HIGH SCHOOL. THE LAND EXCHANGE IS NECESSARY FOR THE	5
PROPOSED 6TH ST REALIGNMENT.	
>>>THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS PART OF A LARGER PROJECT WHICH HAS BEEN ISSUED CE 45-12 & CE 34-13.	
Public Agency Approving Project: City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California Applicant Name: MEREDITH T. ELGUIRA	
Mailing Address: 333W OCEAN BLVD., 9TH FLOOR, LONG BEACH CA 90802	
Phone Number: 562.570.6293 Applicant Signature:	
BELOW THIS LINE FOR STAFF USE ONLY	
Application Number: 1501-5) Planner's Initials: W Required Permits: General Plan Conforming Finding	
THE ABOVE PROJECT HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE EXEMPT FROM CEQA IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE GUIDELINES SECTION 15304, Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land	H —
Statement of support for this finding: Miner land exchange for 5+reet realignment	
Contact Person: Crain Chalfant, Contact Phone: 562-570-6769	
Signature:	