

CITY OF LONG BEACH



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

333 West Ocean Boulevard • Long Beach, CA 90802 • (562) 570-6383 • FAX (562) 570-6012

January 23, 2007

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, find that the area to be vacated is not needed for present or prospective public use and adopt the attached resolution ordering the vacation of a portion of the east-west alley in the block west of Long Beach Boulevard and south of Third Street adjacent to 210 E. Third Street. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

Lyon Realty is in the process of developing a 5-story, mixed-use project with a parking garage at 210 East Third Street. The project would occupy 61,750 square feet on the block west of Long Beach Boulevard and south of Third Street, with frontage on The Promenade, Third Street and Long Beach Boulevard. The parking garage is sited between the north-south alley and Long Beach Boulevard and spans the existing east-west alley known as Maple Way. It is proposed that all utilities be removed from the east-west alley and that it be vacated to become a part of the project site, as shown on Exhibit A.

On December 19, 2006, the City Council adopted Resolution No. RES-06-0149, declaring its intention to vacate the subject right-of-way, and set January 23, 2007, as the date for the public hearing. A copy of the December 19, 2006, City Council letter is attached as Exhibit B. The proposed resolution was prepared by Deputy City Attorney Lisa Peskay Malmsten on November 21, 2006.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

The date of this public hearing was set by City Council action.

FISCAL IMPACT

A vacation processing fee of \$2,000 was deposited to the General Fund (GP) in the Department of Public Works (PW).

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CHRISTINE F. ANDERSEN DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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GERALD R. MILLER CITY MANAGER

Attachment

SKETCH NO. 958V

SKETCH SHOWING THE EAST HALF OF THE EAST-WEST ALLEY IN THE BLOCK WEST OF LONG BEACH BOULEVARD AND SOUTH OF THIRD STREET TO BE VACATED BY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH.

SHOWS AREA TO BE VACATED

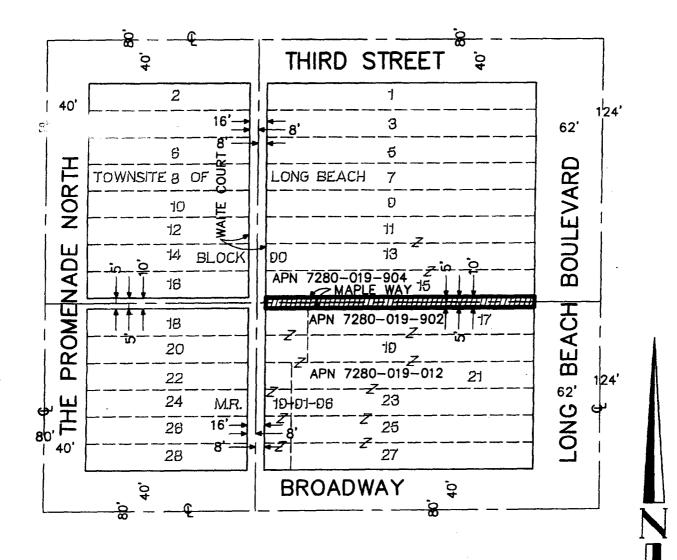


EXHIBIT A



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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December 19, 2006

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached resolution of intention to vacate a portion of the east-west alley in the block west of Long Beach Boulevard and south of Third Street, adjacent to 210 E. Third Street and set a date for a public hearing on the vacation for January 23, 2007. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

Lyon Realty is in the process of developing a 5-story, mixed-use project with a parking garage at 210 East Third Street. The project would occupy 61,750 square feet on the block west of Long Beach Boulevard and south of Third Street, with frontage on The Promenade, Third Street and Long Beach Boulevard. The parking garage is sited between the north-south alley and Long Beach Boulevard and spans the existing east-west alley known as Maple Way. It is proposed that all utilities be removed from the east-west alley and that it be vacated to become a part of the project site, as shown on Exhibit A.

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 Department of Public Works supports this action based on the following evidence, facts, conditions and findings, establishing that the dedicated right-of-way to be vacated is unnecessary for present or prospective public use:

- 1. The proposed development is shown on Exhibit B.
- 2. On July 13, 2006, the Planning Commission reviewed and approved this project (concluding their review on July 20, 2006) including a determination that the subject vacation action is consistent with the General Plan, as required in Section 8313 of the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law. In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act, Mitigated Negative Declaration Number ND 08-05 was certified for this project. The staff report for the general plan conformity finding for the alley vacation is included as Exhibit C.
- 3. The westerly 40 feet of this alley is adjacent to a parcel owned by Pacific Tower, LLC. Their property in the vicinity of this alley portion is a parking lot and no access is taken from the

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east-west alley. This property owner has been notified of the proposed alley vacation and has no objection to this action.

- 4. This project is conditioned with a requirement to dedicate additional width for the north-south alley known as Waite Court, bringing it up to the City's 20-foot standard. The dedication is to be made on Tract Map No. 64636.
- 5. The interested City Departments have reviewed the proposed vacation of an east-west alley and the proposed construction of a bridge over the north-south alley and have no objections. Project conditions of approval are shown on Exhibit D. A public utility easement will be reserved until such time that all of the existing public utility facilities are removed from the area vacated.

The public hearing on this matter, to be held on January 23, 2007, will allow all persons interested in or objecting to the proposed vacation to appear and be heard. The proposed resolution of intention to vacate was prepared by Deputy City Attorney Lisa Peskay Malmsten on November 21, 2006.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on December 19, 2006, to allow the construction of this project to proceed on schedule.

FISCAL IMPACT

A vacation processing fee of \$2,000 was deposited to the General Fund (GP) in the Department of Public Works (PW).

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CHRISTINE F. ANDERSEN DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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APPROVED:

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GERALD R. MILLER CITY MANAGER

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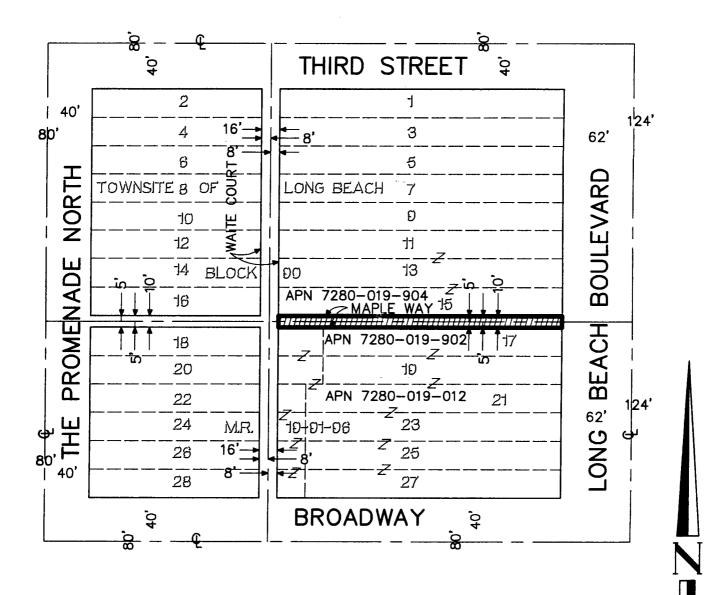
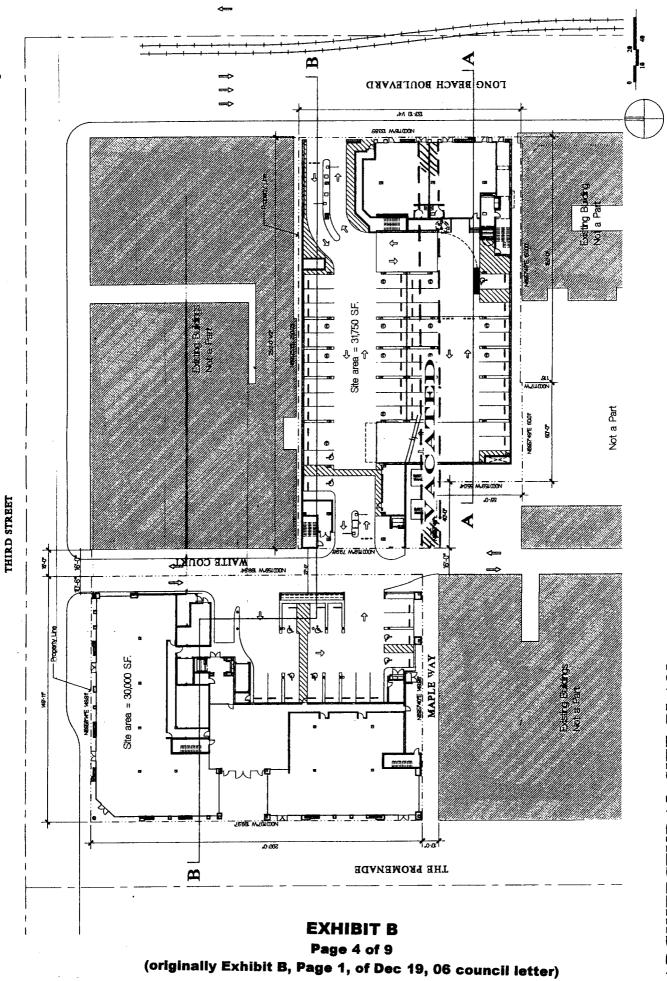


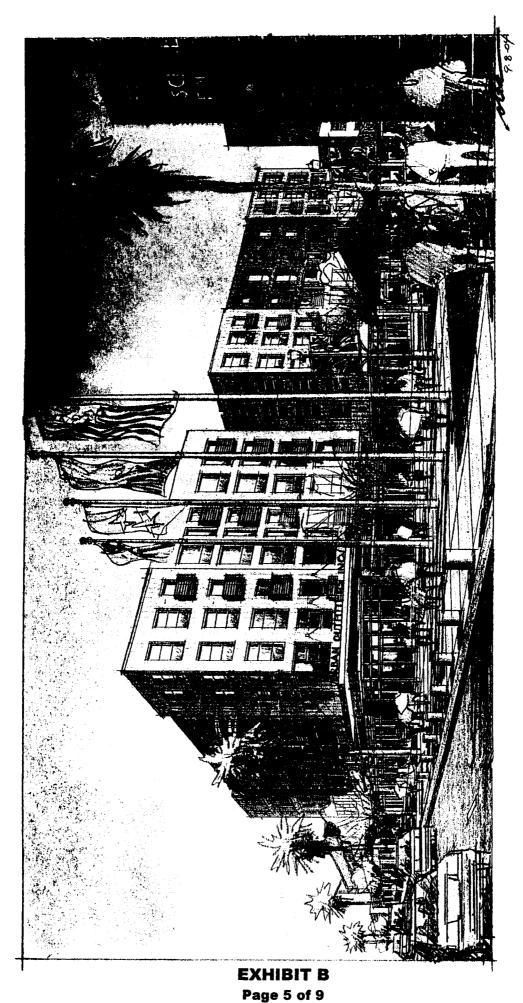
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ARCHITECTURAL SITE PLAN



VIEW FROM 3RD STREET AND THE PROMENADE

(originally Exhibit B, Page 2, of Dec 19, 06 council letter)

AGENDA ITEM No.

CASE No. GPC-06-15-06

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

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ADVANCE PLANNING

June 15, 2006

CHAIR AND PLANNING COMMISSIONERS City of Long Beach California

- SUBJECT: Finding of Conformity with the General Plan for an alley vacation (Council District 2)
- 210 E. 3rd Street LOCATION:
- APPLICANT: Eric Donnelly Lyon Realty Advisors

RECOMMENDATION

Find the proposed alley vacation along Maple Way, as depicted in Exhibit A, in conformance with the adopted goals and policies of the City's 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 alley vacation is herein submitted for such review.

The applicant is proposing the development of 104 rental apartments with 13,461 square feet of first floor retail along Broadway, The Promenade North and Long Beach Boulevard. The project requires vacation of Maple Way from Waite Court and Long Beach Boulevard to allow for a contiguous parcel for the new parking structure.

A finding of conformity shall be made when the proposed re-use of the property conforms to the maps, goals and policies of the General Plan. The General Plan consists of eleven

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Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Frick DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

By: Ira Brown Planner

Approved: /

Angela Reynolds Planning Officer

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Attachment:

1. Exhibit A: Sketch depicting proposed alley space vacation

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elements: Land Use, Open Space and Recreation, Transportation, Noise, Scenic Routes, Conservation, 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 categorizes the City 21 land use districts which provide general guidance as to the type and density of land uses considered appropriate. The project in question is located in Land Use District (LUD) 7- Mixed Use. This district carefully blends different land uses in an effort to vitalize the City's urban structure. The proposed alley vacation and related development is consistent with this land use designation. The proposed development will add quality dwelling units to the Promenade District's housing stock and increase housing choice opportunities.

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 proposed alley vacation will not degrade circulation in the downtown region nor will it contradict any policies or objectives in the Transportation Element. The proposed development reflects the Transportation Element's intent to locate both mixed-use and high-density residential developments within walking distance of major transit stations or stops, such as the Metro Blue Line rail stations along nearby Long Beach Boulevard.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

In accordance with the guidelines for implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Mitigated Negative Declaration (ND 08-05) was certified on July 11, 2005 by the Redevelopment Agency.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Find the proposed alley vacation of E. Maple Way, as depicted in Exhibit A, in conformance with the adopted goals and policies of the City's *General Plan*.

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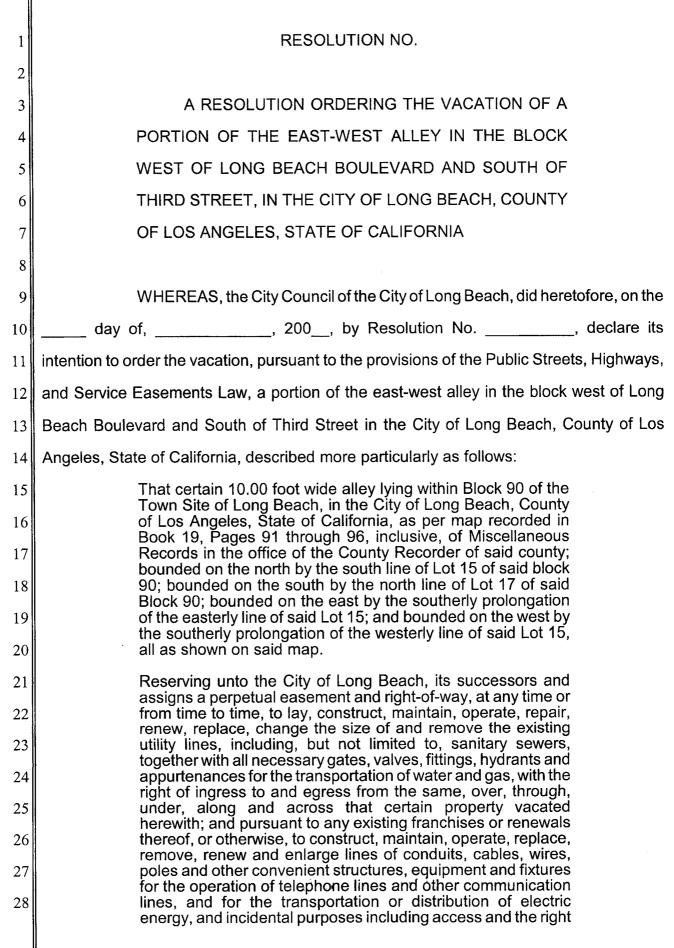
The proposal was reviewed by the interested city departments and public agencies, and there were no objections, provided that the following conditions of approval are included:

- 1. An easement shall be reserved for any exisiting utilities, which are known to include sewer and gas lines. After all of the public utility facilities are removed, this reserved easement can be quitclaimed.
- 2. The north-south alley adjacent to this project shall be widened from 16 to 20 feet wide, with a dedication made entirely from the parcel on the west of the alley. This dedication shall be made on the project subdivision, Tract Map No. 64636.
- 3. The intersections of the subject alley with Long Beach Boulevard and the north-south alley shall be reconstructed to eliminate the appearance of a public alley.
- 4. Any required traffic control modifications are the responsibility of the vacation petitioner, and shall be installed in the public right-of-way under a street improvement permit from the Department of Public Works.
- 5. 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.

EXHIBIT B

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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 City Council did, at said time, fix Tuesday, the ____ day of _____, 200___, at the hour of _____.m., as the time at the City Council Chamber, Plaza Level of the City Hall, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, in the City of Long Beach, California, as the place for hearing for all persons interested in or objecting to the proposed vacation to appear and be heard; and

12 WHEREAS, notice of the resolution of the intention to vacate, stating the time 13 and place of said hearing, were duly posted in the manner prescribed by law; and

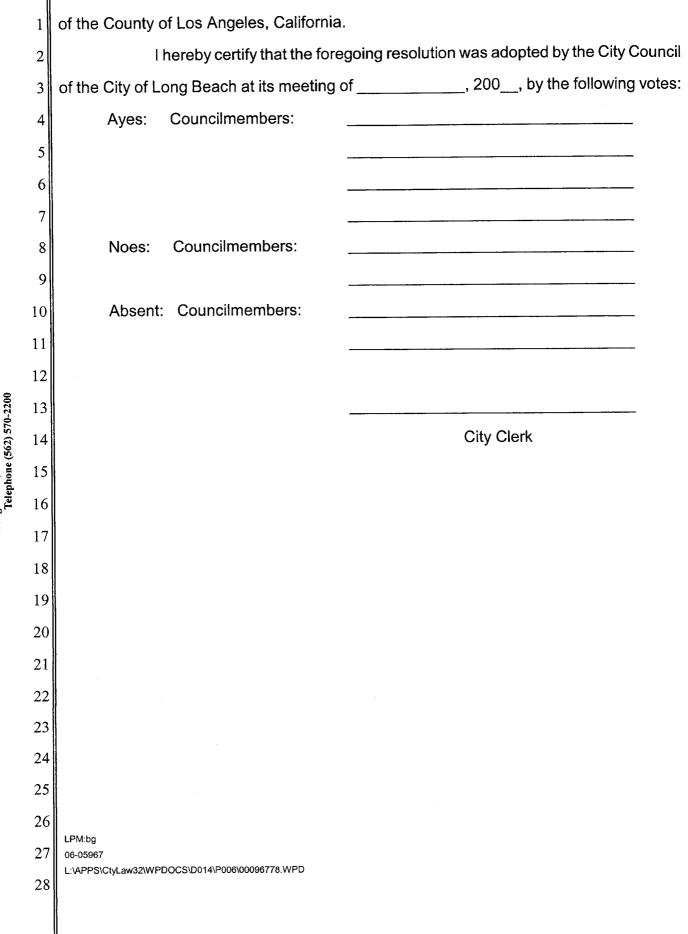
WHEREAS, said hearing was called and held before the City Council at the time and place so fixed and evidence taken and received on the matter of said proposed vacation, and the City Council, upon said evidence, now make those findings of fact set forth in said Exhibit "B", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as19 follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the foregoing resolution of intention, the proceedings had thereunder, the Sketch 958V showing a portion of the east-west alley in the block west of Long Beach Boulevard and south of Third Street be vacated by the City of Long Beach attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and the City Council Findings attached hereto as Exhibit "B", said City Council of the City of Long Beach hereby makes its resolution vacating and closing a portion of the drive hereinabove described.

Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and the City Clerk is hereby instructed to certify to the adoption thereof, and to cause a certified copy to be recorded in the Office of the County Recorder

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Robert E. Shannon City Attorney of Long Beach 333 West Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, California 90802-4664 Telephone (562) 570-2200 SKETCH SHOWING THE EAST HALF OF THE EAST-WEST ALLEY IN THE BLOCK WEST OF LONG BEACH BOULEVARD AND SOUTH OF THIRD STREET TO BE VACATED BY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH.

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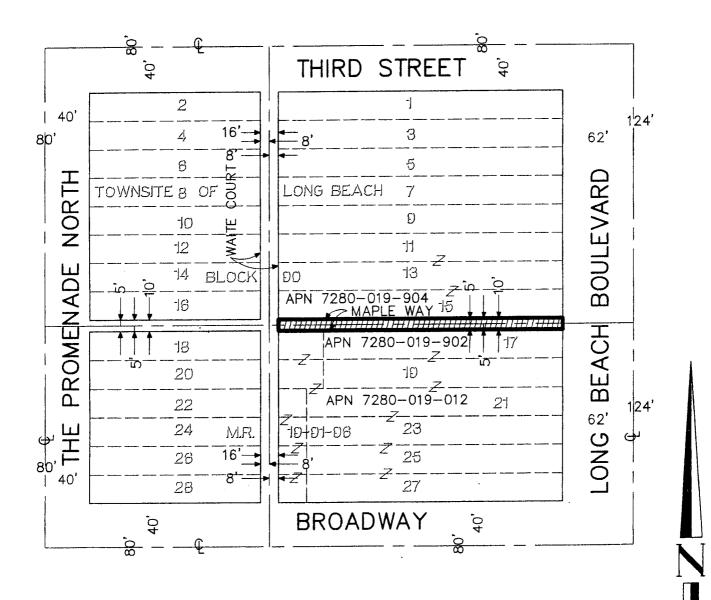


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CITY COUNCIL FINDINGS

VACATION OF A PORTION OF THE EAST-WEST ALLEY IN THE BLOCK WEST OF LONG BEACH BOULEVARD AND SOUTH OF THIRD STREET - Reference Sketch No. 958V

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

This finding is based upon the following subfindings:

- a) Those findings stated in the City Manager's letter submitted for the December 19, 2007, City Council meeting regarding the resolution of intention to vacate the subject right-of-way, adopted as RES-06-0149.
- b) 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.
- c) In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act, Negative Declaration No. 08-05 was issued for this project.

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