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January 6, 2015

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 Solana Court and a portion of the east/west alley north of Anaheim Street. (District 1)

DISCUSSION

On December 2, 2014, the City Council adopted Resolution No. RES-14-0111, declaring its intention to vacate the subject rights-of-way, and set January 6, 2015 as the date for the public hearing. A copy of the December 2, 2014 City Council letter is attached as Exhibit B.

The remodel of The Guidance Center building at 1301 Pine Avenue and improvement to the three adjacent private parking lots will entail closing Solana Court between 14th Street and Anaheim Street, and a portion of the unnamed east/west alley north of Anaheim Street as shown on the attached Exhibit A, currently serving as drive aisles for the Guidance Center.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on November 6, 2014 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on December 17, 2014.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

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

FISCAL IMPACT

A final vacation processing fee of \$9,908 was deposited to the General Fund (GF) in the Public Works Department (PW). Approval of this recommendation will provide continued support to the local economy.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

ÄRA MALOYAN, PE

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Attachments -Exhibit A, Alley Vacation sketch No. 1006V

-Exhibit B, City Council letter of Intention to vacate

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER

CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA EAST-WEST ALLEY NORTH OF ANANEIM STREET TO BE VACATED BY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AND SHOWING THE PORTION TO BE CONVERTED TO ONE-WAY. SKETCH 1006V SKETCH SHOWING SOLANA COURT AND A PORTION OF THE ENGINEERING BUREAU EXHIBIT SHOWS ALLEY PORTIONS TO BE CONVERTED TO ONE-WAY VEHICULAR TRAFFIC WEST BOUND ONLY SHOWS ALLEY PORTIONS TO BE VACATED ₹ A E **► b** I N E FOI 10 107 LOT 7 Ш PORTION LOT 5 Ы LOT 13 UNE LOT œ ,O) ഗ NO. 2 ທູ LOT 12 Σ IJ BLOCK TRACT I LOT 11 ⋖ I Z LOT 10 PORTION LOT 6 ⋖ Ø 4 LOT 4 P g FOL 8 Ŷ A V E PACFIC

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December 2, 2014

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution of Intention to vacate Solana Court, and a portion of the unnamed east/west alley north of Anaheim Street, authorize the conversion of the westerly portion of the east/west alley into a one-way alley, set the date of January 6, 2015 for the public hearing on the vacation, and adopt and accept the Categorical Exemption CE 13-109. (District 1)

DISCUSSION

1301 Pine Avenue, LLC, the owner of The Guldance Center building and the adjacent parking lots at 1301 Pine Avenue, requests the vacation of the adjacent alley known as Solana Court from Anaheim Street to 14th Street, as well as a portion of the unnamed east-west alley north of Anaheim Street from Pine Avenue to a point approximately 100-feet east of Pacific Avenue as shown on Exhibit A.

Currently, these alleys bisect the parking lots and serve primarily as drive aisles for the Guidance Center's parking lot. The westerly portion of the unnamed east-west alley adjacent to 137 Anaheim Street is to remain public for egress from the restaurant's parking lot. The intent of the vacation is to secure The Guidance Center's parking lot with a fence and install sliding gates at the entrance of the proposed vacated alleys.

In addition to the vacation, Public Works Traffic Engineering requests that the westerly 100 feet of the east-west alley, adjacent to the property at 137 Anaheim Street, be converted into a one-way westbound only alley. This alley change will alleviate the dead-end alley condition that would result if the alley were to remain two-way. 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 rights-of-way are unnecessary for present or prospective public use. The Public Works Department supports this action based on the following evidence, facts, conditions and findings, establishing

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL December 2, 2014 Page 2

that the dedicated rights-of-way to be vacated are not necessary for present or prospective public use:

- 1. The alleys primarily serve as drive aisles of the parking lots.
- 2. The adjacent property/business owners were notified of the proposed alley vacations and there were no objections.
- 3. A utility easement will be reserved over the alleys in order to continue to provide for various existing utilities, which include water, sewer, power and communication lines.
- 4. Refuse is collected by a private trash collection company; therefore, no easement for refuse is required.
- 5. On December 30, 2013, the Planning Commission determined that the subject vacation action is consistent with the General Plan, as required in Section 65402 of the California Government Code. The Development Services Department staff report is included as Exhibit B.

In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Categorical Exemption No. CE 13-109 was issued for this project. The interested City Departments, including Fire, Police and the City Traffic Engineer, have reviewed the proposed right-of-way vacation and provided no objections to this action.

This matter was reviewed by the Long Beach Fire Department on July 2, 2013, Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on November 6, 2014, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on November 12, 2014.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on December 2, 2014, to set the date of hearing for January 6, 2015, so that the developer can complete the project requirements by early 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT

A tentative vacation processing fee of \$9,225 was deposited to the General Fund (GF) in the Public Works Department (PW). There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

RA MALOYAN, PE **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

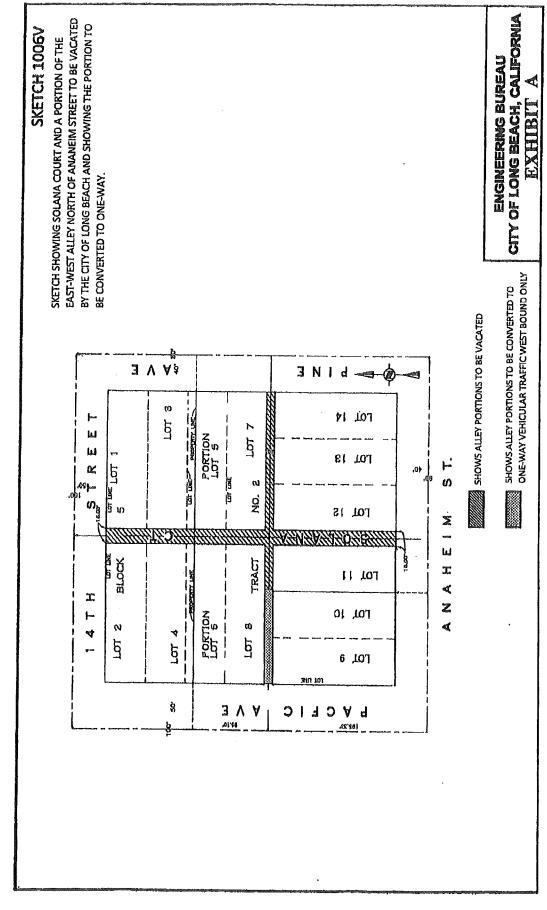
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CITY MANAGER

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Attachments:

-Exhibit A; Alley Vacation sketch
-Exhibit B; City Council Findings staff report



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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December 19, 2013

CHAIR AND PLANNING COMMISSIONERS City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Find the proposed vacation of Solana Court between Anaheim Street and 14th Street and the proposed vacation of a portion of the unnamed, east-west alley north of Anahelm Street between Pine Avenue and Pacific Avenue in conformance with the adopted goals and policies of the City's General Plan. (District 1)

APPLICANT:

1301 Pine Avenue, LLC

c/o George Medak

11400 W. Olympic Boulevard, #850

Los Angeles, CA 90064 (Application No. 1309-15)

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 vacations are herein submitted for such review.

The applicant proposes to vacate Solana Court between Anaheim Street and 14th Street as well as a portion of the unnamed, east-west alley north of Anaheim Street between Pine Avenue and Pacific Avenue (Exhibit A- Alley Vacation Plan). The areas included in the proposed vacations are no longer required for public access purposes and currently serve only as parking lot access for the subject property (Exhibit B- Photos). The proposed street vacation has been reviewed and approved by the Long Beach Public Works Department after consultation with other interested City departments, pending a finding of conformity by the Planning Commission and approval by the City Council.

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 Long Beach General Plan CHAIR AND PLANNING (MMISSIONERS December 19, 2013 Page 2

consists of eleven mandatory and optional 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:

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. 8A (Traditional Retail Strip Commercial District). The Land Use Element states that "the district is established to recognize the continuing need to provide commercial uses along frontages of certain streets for the service and convenience of persons travelling by car, and needing local services". The proposed vacations will not interfere with public access. Therefore, the proposed vacations are consistent with the Land Use Element.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

In accordance with the guidelines for implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Categorical Exemption was issued for the proposed project (Exhibit C – Categorical Exemption).

Respectfully submitted,

AMY J. BODEK, AICP

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

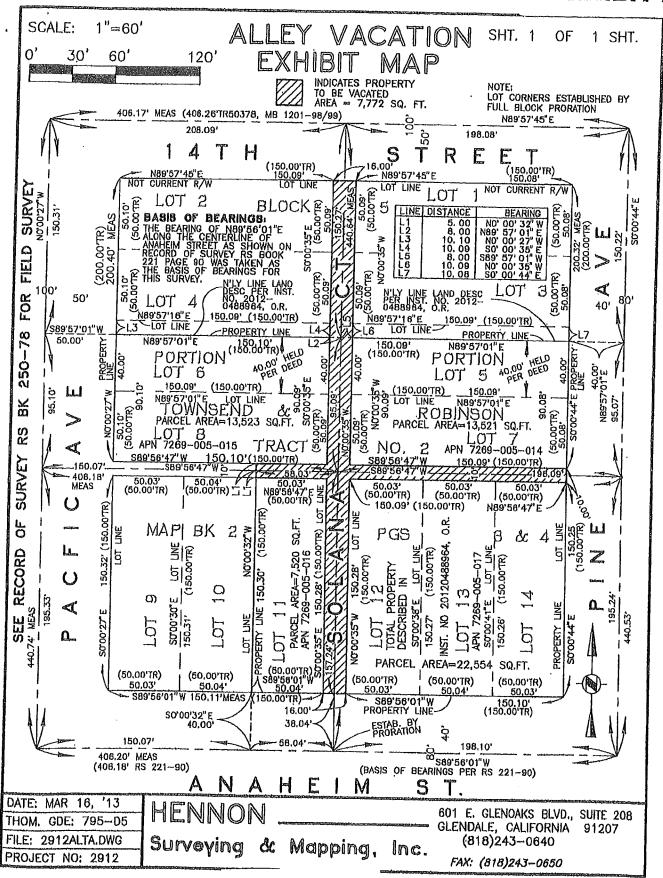
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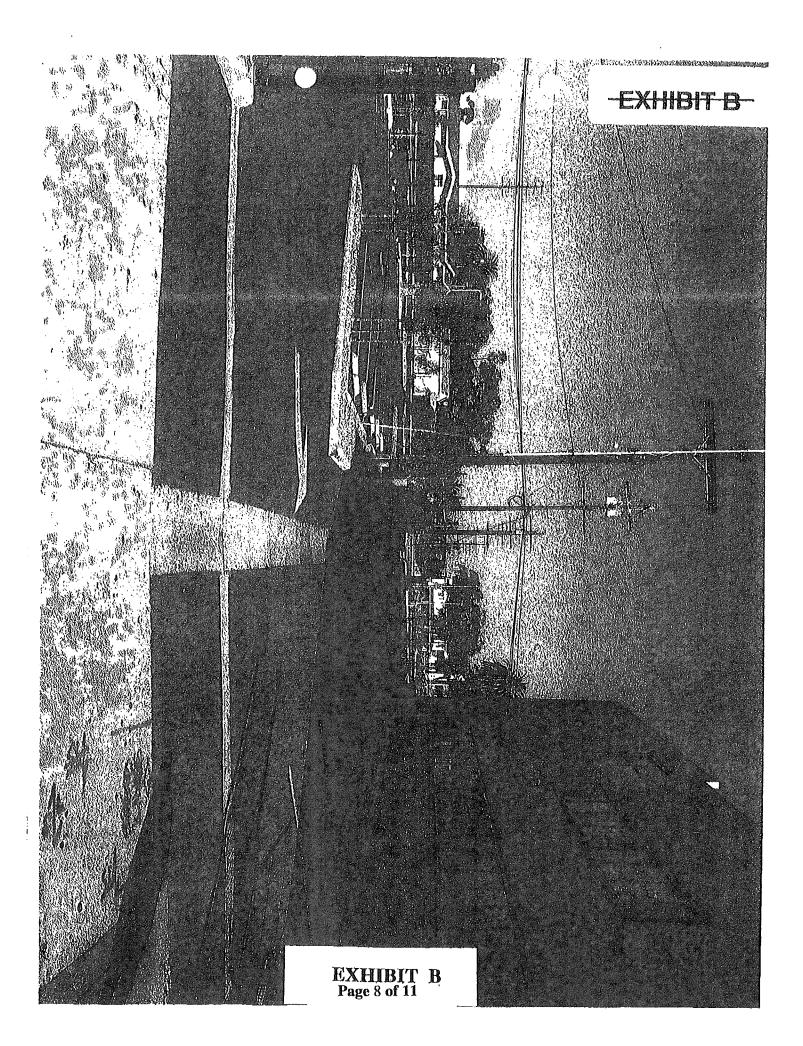
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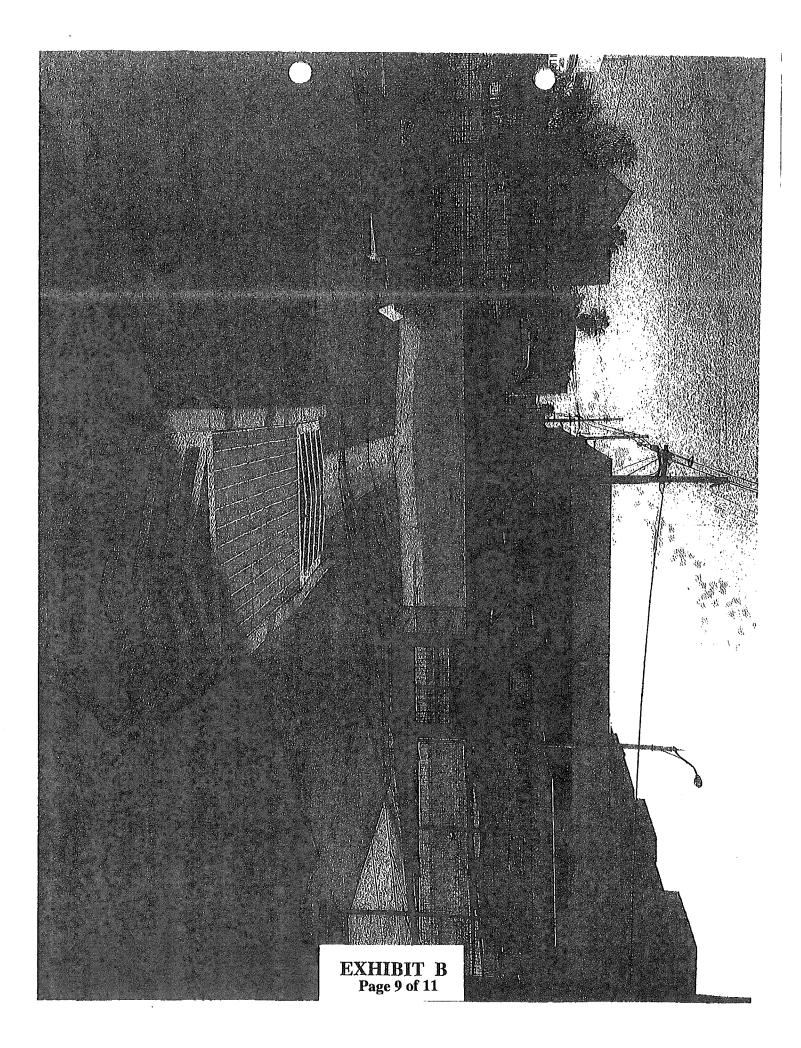
Exhibit A - Street Vacation Plan

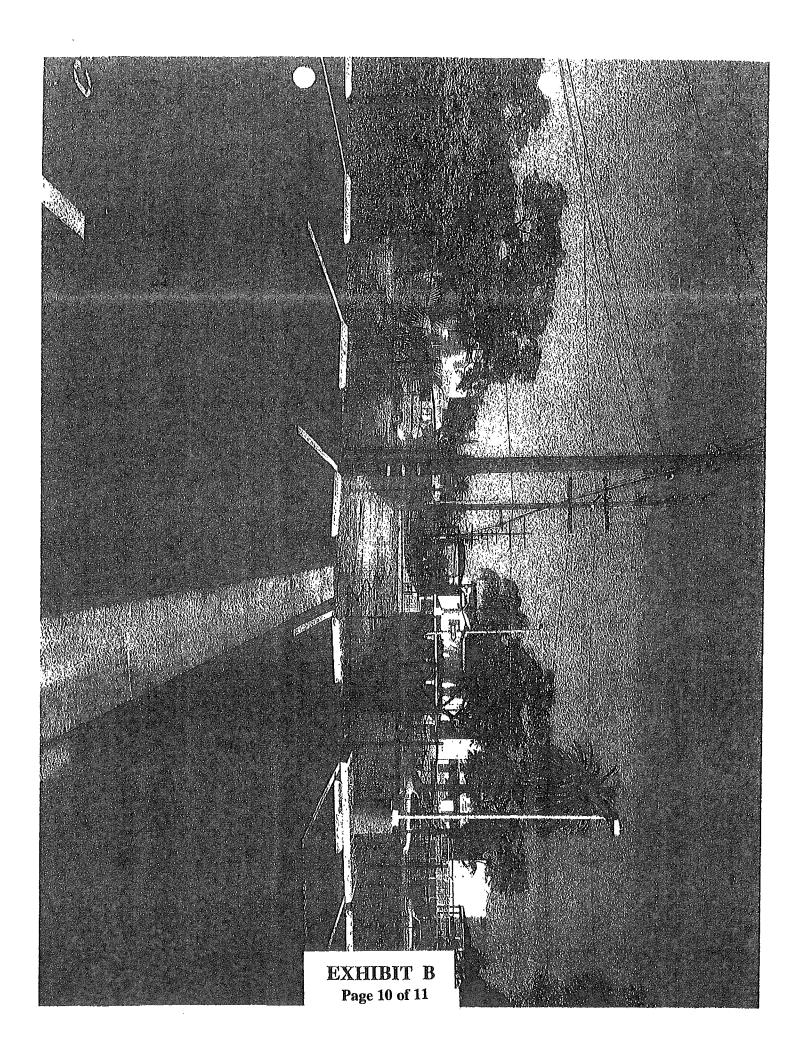
Exhibit B - Photos

Exhibit C - Categorical Exemption











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lbds.longbeach.gov TO: Office of Planning & Research FROM: Department of Development Services 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 333 W. Ocean Blvd, 5th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814 Long Beach, CA 90802 L.A. County Clerk Environmental Fillings 12400 E. Imperial Hwy. 2nd Floor, Room 2001 Norwalk, CA 90650 Categorical Exemption CE-19-109 Lora BEACH INE PUEHNE Project Location/Address: Project/Activity Description: Public Agency Approving Project: City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California Applicant Name: 1301 PINE AVENUE Mailing Address: Phone Number: Applicant Signature: BELOW THIS LINE FOR STAFF USE ONL Application Number: 1309-15 Planner's Initials: Required Permits: EPCF THE ABOVE PROJECT HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE EXEMPT FROM CEQA IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE GUIDELINES SECTION 15304, CLASS 4, MINDE ALTERATIONS TO LAND Statement of support for this finding: THE EXISTING ALLEVER ALD LONGOR ARE NEXTED LTEDATION TO CONDITION OF LAND FOR Contact Person: 1 Contact Phone: Signature: Date:

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OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CHARLES PARKIN, City Attorney 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE VACATION OF SOLANA COURT AND A PORTION OF THE UNNAMED EAST-WEST ALLEY NORTH OF ANAHEIM STREET, IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Long Beach, did heretofore, on the 2nd of December, 2014, by Resolution No. RES-14-0111, declare its intention to order the vacation, pursuant to the provisions of the Public Streets, Highways, and Service Easements Vacation Law (California Streets and Highways Code, Section 8300 *et seq.*), Solana Court and a portion of the unnamed east-west alley north of Anaheim Street, in the City of Long Beach, County of Los Angeles, State of California, described more particularly as follows:

A PORTION OF THAT CERTAIN UNNAMED ALLEY. 10 FEET IN WIDTH, LYING WITHIN BLOCK 5, OF THE TOWNSEND AND ROBINSON TRACT, IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 2 PAGES 3 AND 4 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, TOGETHER WITH PORTION OF THAT CERTAIN ALLEY CURRENTLY KNOWN AS SOLANA COURT, 16 FEET IN WIDTH, LYING WITHIN SAID BLOCK 5, ALL DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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MAP OF THE TOWNSEND AND ROBINSON TRACT, RECORDED IN BOOK 2 PAGES 3 AND 4 OF MAPS, IN SAID RECORDER'S OFFICE.

BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY THE NORTH LINE OF ANAHEIM STREET, 80 FEET IN WIDTH AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF THE TOWNSEND AND ROBINSON TRACT, RECORDED IN BOOK 2 PAGES 3 AND 4 OF MAPS, IN SAID RECORDER'S OFFICE.

BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE NORTHERLY PROLONGATION OF THE WESTERLY LINE OF LOT 11, BLOCK 5, OF SAID MAP OF THE TOWNSEND AND ROBINSON TRACT, RECORDED IN BOOK 2 PAGES 3 AND 4 OF MAPS, IN SAID RECORDER'S OFFICE.

BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE SOUTH LINE OF 14TH STREET, 80 FEET IN WIDTH AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF THE TOWNSEND AND ROBINSON TRACT, RECORDED IN BOOK 2 PAGES 3 AND 4 OF MAPS, IN SAID RECORDER'S OFFICE.

CONTAINING 7,771 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS.

WHEREAS, the City Council did, at said time, fix Tuesday, the 6th day of January, 2015, at the hour of 5:00 p.m., as the time and 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

WHEREAS, notice of the resolution of the intention to vacate, stating the time and place of said hearing, was duly posted in the manner prescribed by law; and WHEREAS, said hearing was called and held before the City Council at the Section 1. Pursuant to the foregoing resolution of intention, the proceedings had thereunder, Vacation Sketch No. 1006V showing Solana Court and a portion of the unnamed east-west alley north of Anaheim Street to 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 street hereinabove described.

Section 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 of the County of Los Angeles, California.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 20___ by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmembers: Councilmembers: Noes: Absent: Councilmembers: City Clerk

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EXHIBIT A

CITY COUNCIL FINDINGS

VACATION OF SOLANA COURT AND A PORTION OF THE UNNAMED EAST/WEST ALLEY NORTH OF ANAHEIM STREET, AND WEST OF PINE AVENUE Reference Sketch No. 1006V

The subject rights-of-way are unnecessary for present or prospective public street or alley purposes, and 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 subject alleys are used primarily as drive aisles.
- b) On December 19, 2013 the City of Long Beach Planning Commission determined that the subject vacation action is consistent with the General Plan, as required in Section 65402 of the California Government Code.
- c) The rights-of-way would not be useful for exclusive bikeway purposes.
- d) In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act, Categorical Exemption (CEQA) No. CE 13-109 was issued for this project.
- e) The interested City Departments, including Fire and Police, have reviewed the proposed right of way vacation and have no objections to this action.