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To the Public Works Committee
Of the Honorable Council
Of the City of Los Angeles

FEB 18 2010

Council File No. 08-2521 -
Council District: 9 -
Contact Person: Don Sakamoto
Phone #(213) 977-6192.

Public Works Committee

Transmittal:

Transmitted herewith, is the City Engineer's report dated
FEB 18 2010 for Council review and approval of:

VACATION APPROVAL - VAC-E1401119 - Council File No. 08-2521 -
Towne Avenue and 53rd Street Vacation District.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Adopt the findings by the City Engineer's on the attached City Engineer report relative to initiating vacation proceedings. That the City Council finds that it has imposed all the mitigation measures that are within the control of the City, as described in Final Environmental Impact Report (State Clearing House No. 2006061006) that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that other mitigation measures that are not within the authority of the City, have been or should be imposed as set forth in the findings of the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, dated September 25, 2007, a copy of which is attached and incorporated.
2. Adopt the City Engineer report dated FEB 18 2010 with the conditions contained therein.
3. Fiscal Impact Statement:

To date, an estimated \$19,595.51 in charges have been expended in the investigation and processing of this proceeding. Since Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code which exempts all governmental agencies from payment of fees, the processing of this report will be absorbed by the Bureau of Engineering.



4. That there is a public benefit to this vacation. Upon vacation of the street and alleys, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the rights-of-way. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved street and alley easements.
5. There were no objections to the vacation submitted for this project.

Attachment:



Edmond Yew, Manager
Land Development Group

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Office of the City Engineer
Los Angeles, California

To the Public Works Committee
Of the Honorable Council
Of the City of Los Angeles

FEB 18 2010

Honorable Members:

C. D. No. 9

SUBJECT:

Vacation Approval - VAC-E1401119 - Council File No. 08-2521 -
Towne Avenue and 53rd Street Vacation District.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. That street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law be instituted for the vacation of the public rights-of-way indicated below and shown colored blue on the attached Exhibit "B":
- 1) 53rd Street from Towne Avenue to Avalon Boulevard.
 - 2) The alley westerly of Avalon Boulevard from 52nd Street to 53rd Street.
 - 3) The alley northerly of 53rd Street from Towne Avenue to the alley westerly of Avalon Boulevard.
- B. That the vacation of the area shown colored orange on Exhibit "B", be denied.
- C. That the City Council finds that it has imposed all the mitigation measures that are within the control of the City, as described in Final Environmental Impact Report (State Clearing House No. 2006061006) that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that other mitigation measures that are not within the authority of the City, have been or should be imposed as set forth in the findings of the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, dated September 25, 2007, a copy of which is attached and incorporated.
- D. That there is a public benefit to this vacation. Upon vacation of the street and alleys, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the rights-of-way. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved street and alley easements.

- E. That, in conformance with Section 556 of the City Charter, the Council make the findings that the vacation is in substantial conformance with the purposes, intent and provisions of the General Plan.
- F. That, in conformance with Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the Council determine that the vacation areas are not needed for nonmotorized transportation facilities.
- G. That, in conformance with Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the Council determines that the vacation areas are not necessary for present or prospective public use.
- H. That the Council adopt the City Engineer's report with the conditions contained therein.
- I. That the City Clerk schedule the vacation for public hearing at least 30 days after the Public Works Committee approval so the City Clerk and Engineering can process the public notification pursuant to Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
- J. That the payment of the processing fees for the vacation proceedings be waived in accordance with Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code which exempts all governmental agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

To date, an estimated \$19,595.51 in charges have been expended in the investigation and processing of this proceeding. Since Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code which exempts all governmental agencies from payment of fees, the processing of this report will be absorbed by the Bureau of Engineering. Maintenance of the public easement by City forces will be eliminated.

NOTIFICATION:

That notification of the time and place of the Public Works Committee and the City Council meetings to consider this request be sent to:

1. Los Angeles Unified School District
Attn: Michael Scinto
333 S. Beaudry Avenue, 23rd Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017

2. Curtis Woodle
3520 W. 82nd Street
Inglewood, CA 90305
3. Antonio Ballesteres
5219 Towne Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90011
4. Dorothy M. Mayer
1856 Buckingham Road
Los Angeles, CA 90019
5. Rose Landa
5225 Towne Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90011

CONDITIONS FOR STREET VACATION:

The Conditions specified in this report are established as the requirements to be complied with by the petitioner for this vacation. Vacation proceedings in which the conditions have not been completed within 2 years of the Council's action on the City Engineer's report shall be terminated with no further Council action.

1. That a suitable map, approved by the Central District Engineering Office, delineating the limits including bearings and distances of the areas to be vacated be submitted to the Land Development Group of the Bureau of Engineering prior to preparation of the Resolution to Vacate.
2. That a suitable legal description describing the areas being vacated and all easements to be reserved, including copies of all necessary supporting documentation, be submitted to the Land Development Group of the Bureau of Engineering prior to preparation of the Resolution to Vacate.
3. That a title report indicating the vestee of the underlying fee title interest in the areas to be vacated be submitted to the City Engineer.

4. That the following dedications be provided adjoining the petitioner's properties in a manner satisfactory to the City Engineer:
 - a) Dedicate 15 feet as public street along the easterly side of San Pedro Street (Secondary Highway Standards) to provide for a 45-foot wide half street dedication between 53rd Street and 54th Street together with either 20-foot radii property line returns or 15-foot by 15-foot property line cut corners at the intersections of San Pedro Street with both 53rd Street and 54th Street.
 - b) Dedicate a 2-foot and 7-foot wide strips of land as public street to provide for a 52-foot wide half street dedication along the westerly side of Avalon Boulevard (Major Highway Class II Standards) between 52nd Street and 54th Street together with either 20-foot radii property line returns or 15-foot by 15-foot property line cut corners at the intersections of Avalon Boulevard with both 52nd Street and 54th Street.
 - c) Dedicate 2 feet as public street along the northerly side of 54th Street (Collector Street Standards) between San Pedro Street and Avalon Boulevard.
 - d) Dedicate a 15-foot radius property line return or a 10-foot by 10-foot property line cut corner at the intersection of Towne Avenue with 52nd Street.
 - e) If necessary, dedicate sufficient area along Towne Avenue and along 53rd Street for student drop-off/pick up zone.

6. That the following improvements be constructed adjoining the petitioner's properties in a manner satisfactory to the City Engineer:
 - a) Widen the existing 20-foot wide half roadway along the easterly side of San Pedro Street to complete a 35-foot wide half roadway (Secondary Highway Standards) including asphalt concrete pavement, integral curb and gutter, and 10-foot wide concrete sidewalk.
 - b) Widen the existing 30-foot wide half roadway along the easterly side of Avalon Boulevard to complete a 40-foot wide half roadway (Major Highway Class II Standards) including asphalt concrete pavement, integral curb and gutter, and 12-foot wide concrete sidewalk.

- c) Construct an additional 2-foot wide concrete sidewalk adjoining the existing 8-foot wide sidewalk along the northerly side of 54th Street.
 - d) Construct a 2-foot wide concrete gutter along the southerly side of 53rd Street and close 53rd Street at Towne Avenue with a 25-foot radius curve line. Remove the cross gutter and replace with asphalt concrete pavement.
 - e) Construct a standard "Knuckle" at the intersection of 53rd Street with Towne Avenue. The "Knuckle" may be omitted on the condition that Los Angeles City Department of Transportation approved stop signs are provided at both approaches to the L-shaped intersection and that no parking be allowed along the 25-foot radius curve and within 50 feet in either direction from the curve.
 - f) Repair or replace any damaged curb, gutter or sidewalk along Towne Avenue, 54th Street, 53rd Street and 52nd Street.
 - g) Close any unused driveways with full height curb, gutter and sidewalks.
 - h) Close all alley and street intersections with standard street improvements.
 - i) Relocate the existing catch basins along both San Pedro Street and Avalon Boulevard to a more appropriate locations.
 - j) That the petitioner make provisions to collect or divert any impounding surface flows with the areas to be vacated.
7. That arrangements be made with the Department of Water and Power, AT&T and Southern California Gas Company for the removal of any affected facilities or the providing of easements or rights for the protection of any affected facilities to remain in place.
8. That satisfactory arrangements be made with the City Engineer for the relocation or abandonment of the existing sewer facilities located within the areas to be vacated, unless an easement is reserved from the vacation for its protection.

9. That street lighting facilities be installed as required by the Bureau of Street Lighting.
10. That street trees be planted and tree wells be installed as may be required by the Street Tree Division of the Bureau of Street Services.
11. That plot plans be submitted to the Fire Department for their review and approval. Additional conditions of the Fire Department may be required.
12. That the petitioner comply with the Project Requirements A, B, C, F, G and I, of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation letter dated August 8, 2007 to the Los Angeles Unified School District office of Health and Safety (DOT Case No. CEN 06-3140) to the satisfaction of the Department of Transportation.

TRANSMITTAL:

Application dated May 27, 2008, from Michael Scinto.

DISCUSSION:

Request: The petitioner, Michael Scinto of the Los Angeles Unified School District, owners of the properties shown outlined in yellow on Exhibit "B", is requesting the vacation of the public street and alley areas shown colored blue and orange. The purpose of the vacation request is to consolidate the proposed vacated areas with the adjoining properties to provide for the construction of Central Region High School #16.

This vacation procedure is being proposed under Council File No. 01-1459 adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on March 5, 2002.

Resolution to Vacate: The Resolution to Vacate will be recorded upon compliance with the conditions established for this vacation.

Previous Council Action: The City Council on September 23, 2008, under Council File No. 08-2521 adopted a Rule 16 Motion initiating street vacation proceedings.

Zoning and Land Use: The properties lying northerly of 53rd Street and easterly of the north/south alley to be vacated are zoned C2-1VL and are developed with commercial businesses. The

properties lying northerly of 53rd Street between Towne Avenue and the alley westerly of Avalon Boulevard are zoned R2-1 and are developed with both single-family and multiple family residences.

Description of Areas to be Vacated: The areas sought to be vacated are:

- 1) 53rd Street from Towne Avenue to Avalon Boulevard.
- 2) The alley westerly of Avalon Boulevard from 52nd Street to 53rd Street.
- 3) The alley northerly of 53rd Street from Towne Avenue to the alley westerly of Avalon Boulevard.

53rd Street is an improved local street dedicated 60 feet wide with a 40-foot wide roadway and 5-foot wide sidewalks within 10-foot wide parkways on each side. The two alleys forming the T-shaped alley are both dedicated 15 feet wide and are improved.

Adjoining Streets: Avalon Boulevard is an improved major highway-class II with a 45-foot and 50-foot wide half street dedication, a 30-foot wide half roadway and with curbs, gutters and sidewalk. San Pedro Street is an improved secondary highway with a 30 feet wide half street dedication, a half roadway width of 20 feet and with curb, gutter and sidewalk. 54th Street is an improved collector street dedicated 60 feet wide with a 40-foot wide roadway and 8-foot wide sidewalks on each side. 53rd Street is an improved local street dedicated 60 feet wide with a 20-foot wide half roadway and a 10-foot wide parkway. Towne Avenue is an improved local street dedicated 60 feet wide with a 36-foot wide roadway and 15-foot wide parkways. 52nd Street is an improved local street dedicated 60 feet wide with a 40-foot wide roadway and 10-foot wide parkways on each side.

Effects of Vacation on Circulation and Access: The proposed vacation of 53rd Street between Avalon Boulevard and Towne Avenue together with the T-shaped alley lying northerly of 53rd Street may have a limited adverse effect on circulation and access. This effect may be mitigated by the additional street dedication and improvements of adjoining streets.

The street and alleys are not needed for the use of pedestrians, bicyclists or equestrians.

Objections to the Vacation: There were no objections to the vacation submitted for this project.

Reversionary Interest: No determination of the underlying fee interest of the vacation areas have been made as to title or reversionary interest.

Dedications and Improvements: It will be necessary that the petitioner provides for the dedications and improvements as outlined under Conditions.

Sewers and Storm Drains: There are no existing storm drain facilities within the areas proposed to be vacated. There are, however, existing sewer facilities within these areas.

Public Utilities: The Southern California Gas Company maintains facilities in the areas proposed to be vacated. The Department of Water and Power and AT&T did not respond to the Bureau of Engineering's referral letter dated July 30, 2008.

Tract Map: Since the required dedications can be acquired by separate instruments and the necessary improvements can be constructed under separate permit processes, the requirement for the recordation of a new tract map could be waived.

City Department of Transportation: The Department of Transportation, in a letter dated September 5, 2008, states that upon evaluation of the potential effects of the vacation request, the vacation is not opposed. They further state that provisions be made for lot consolidation, driveway and access approval by Department of Transportation, and that any additional dedications and improvements necessary to bring all adjacent streets into conformance with the City's standard street dimensions.

City Fire Department: The Fire Department states that a 20-foot wide fire lane be retained over 53rd Street between Towne Avenue and Avalon Boulevard. They further state that they have no objections to the proposed vacation request.

Department of City Planning: The Director of Planning on September 25, 2008 recommended that the vacation be approved and that streetscape improvements be included as condition of approval.

Conclusion: The vacation of the public street and alley areas shown colored blue on the attached Exhibit "B" could be conditionally approved based upon the following:

1. They are unnecessary for present or prospective public use.
2. They are not needed for vehicular circulation or access.

3. They are not needed for nonmotorized transportation purposes.


The area shown colored orange should not be vacated because it is needed for public street purposes.

Report prepared by:

LAND DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Don Sakamoto
Civil Engineering Associate III
(213) 977-6192

Respectfully submitted,


Edmond Yew, Manager
Land Development Group
Bureau of Engineering

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APPLICATION FOR VACATION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY
ORIGINAL (No copies or faxes)

CRHS#16
53rd St. Vacated
Page 1

DATE: 5-27-08

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

(1) Area proposed to be vacated is: 53rd Street (Portion)
(Street/Avenue/Boulevard/alley/Walk:N/S/E/Wof)

and is located between:

Towne Avenue and Avalon Boulevard
(Street, Avenue, Boulevard or other limit) (Street, Avenue, Boulevard or other limit)

(2) The vacation area lies within or is shown on:

(a) Engineering District: (check appropriately)

Central Harbor Valley West Los Angeles

(b) Council District No. 9

(c) District Map No. 108B205

(d) Thomas Guide Reference: 674, D/5
(Page No.) (Letter/Number at Intersection pt.)

(3) Area (in sq. ft.) of the proposed vacation area is approx. 35,566sq. ft. If over 10,000 sq. ft. of buildable area, the vacation is not categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and will require a Notice of Determination. Contact a Vacation staff member to discuss the effect of this on the processing of your application prior to submittal.

(4) Purpose of vacation is: To allow construction of Central Region High School #16

(5) Development project in conjunction with the vacation (describe project in detail): (LAUSD). Central Region High School #16

(6) Other City discretionary approval in conjunction with the project:

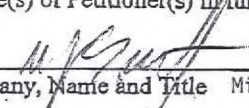
Revocable Permit (See No. 7 below) Tract Map Parcel Map
 Zone Change Other _____ Case No. _____

(7) If a revocable permit is to be obtained in conjunction with this vacation, please describe the type and extent of the proposed encroachment to occupy or be built within the right-of-way.

A separate fee of \$1,005.80, payable to the City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Engineering, will be required for the revocable permit at the time of the vacation application submittal in this office. However, the revocable permit will be processed at the appropriate District Engineering Office.

PETITIONER/APPLICANT:

(8) Petitioner(s): Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
Print Name(s) of Petitioner(s) in full - Name or Company Name

Signature(s): 
If Company, Name and Title Michael Scinto, Director of Project Support

(9) Mailing Address: 1055 W. 7th Street, 10th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017
(Address, City, State, Zip Code)

(10) Daytime Phone number of petitioner is: (213) 972-5105
FAX number: () _____
E-Mail address: mike.scinto@lausd.net

(11) Petitioner is: (check appropriately) () owner OR () Representative of Owner

OWNERSHIPS:

(12) Name(s) and address of the OWNER(s) of the adjoining property applying for vacation is/are:

Print Name(s) and Address of Owner(s) in Full Signature(s)
(If Owner is Petitioner, Indicate "same as above")

(13) Petitioner is owner or Representative of Owner of: (check appropriately)

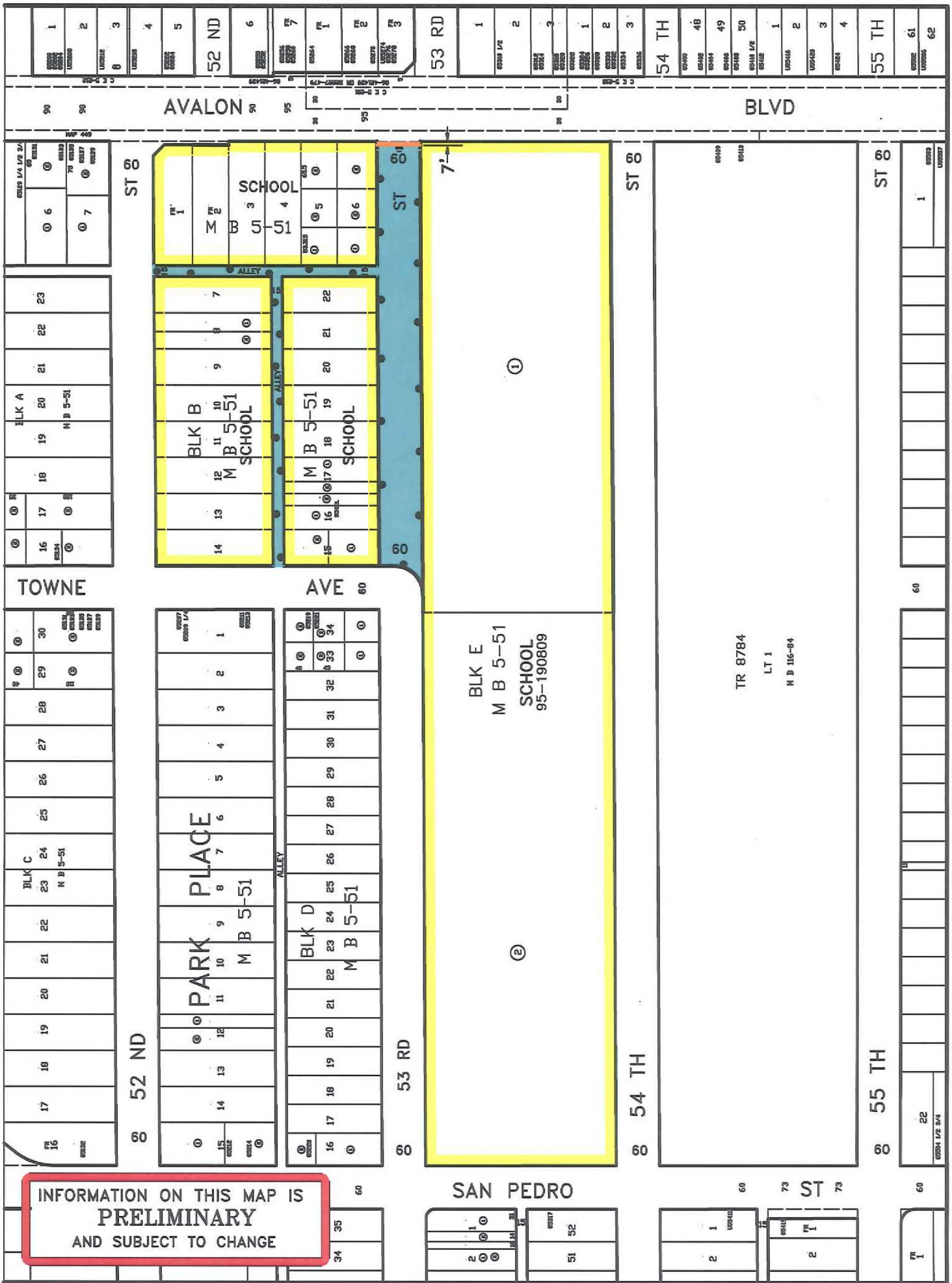
() The property described in attached copy of Grant Deed OR

() _____
(Lot, Tract No.) (Parcel, Parcel Map L.A. No.) (Other)

(14) The following are the available signatures of other property owners who also own properties adjoining the area proposed to be vacated and whose ownerships are indicated on the attached map by use of "circled letters". (1) Print Name(s), (2) Provide mailing addresses, (3) Indicate Lots owned and (4) Obtain signatures.
(See Example Ownership List)

Ownership information may be obtained from:

Los Angeles City Clerkor for the <u>most</u>	Los Angeles County Assessor
Land Records Division	current	Ownership Information
Room 730	information	500 West Temple Street
201 North Figueroa Street		Los Angeles, CA 90012
Los Angeles, CA 90012		Phone (213) 974-3211
Phone (213) 977-6001		



INFORMATION ON THIS MAP IS
PRELIMINARY
 AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

TITLE: TOWNE AVENUE AND 53rd STREET VACATION DISTRICT

WORK ORDER NO. VAC- E1401119
 COUNCIL FILE NO. 08-2521
 COUNCIL DIST. 09 DIV. INDEX 174
 ENG. DIST. CENTRAL T.G. 674-D5
 DISTRICT MAP 108 B 205

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS
 BUREAU OF ENGINEERING
 CITY OF LOS ANGELES



Area to be Denied

EXHIBIT "B" LEGEND: Vacation boundary as shown

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

REGULAR MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS

333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room
2 p.m., Tuesday, September 25, 2007

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent's Report and Special Requests

Program Improvement Schools
Business Tools for Schools
Recognition of Jim Cowell and Mark Hovatter

Old Business for Action

1. Board of Education Report No. 31 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(Naming of William R. Anton Elementary School) Approves naming of Central Region Elementary School No. 19 currently under construction in honor of former Superintendent of Schools William R. Anton.
2. Board of Education Report No. 55 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Ratification of Contract Actions and Approval of Professional Services Contracts)
Recommends award of 2 new construction and 37 existing facilities construction contracts and amendments for approximately \$51 million; 8 job order contracts for \$7.3 million and 10 job order contract amendments for approximately \$54 million; change orders for new and existing facilities for approximately \$9 million; awards 238 unadvertised contracts totaling \$3.8 million; awards 9 task order contract awards totaling approximately \$7.5 million, 1 task order contract option year for \$400,000 and amendments for approximately \$2 million; 6 new contracts for professional services totaling approximately \$300,000, 17 amendments and exercises of option years for approximately \$5 million, and professional service contracts and options for support services for the Project Labor Agreement, architectural services and property management for the District headquarters totaling approximately \$10.4 million; and the exercise of an option year for an energy purchase for natural gas agreement for approximately \$8 million.

3. **Board of Education Revised Report No. 56 – 07/08 ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
 (Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Provide or Replace Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Systems and Provide Access Compliance in Portable Classroom) Recommends approval of amendment to Strategic Execution Plan to provide air conditioning in 112 portable classroom buildings and to add projects in 81 of the buildings to provide handicap access compliance. Also recommends approval of projects to replace air conditioning and heating in 96 portable buildings previously identified in the Strategic Execution Plan. The total cost of the projects is approximately \$35.4 million. The revision to the report is to report the action by the School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee.

4. **Board of Education Revised Report No. 57 – 07/08 ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
 (Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Fund Alterations and Improvements and Board Member Priority Projects at Various Schools) Recommends approval of amendment to Strategic Execution Plan to add 13 projects in Local Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7 using Measure R and Measure Y school bond construction funds for approximately \$2 million. The revision to the report is to report the action by the School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee.

5. **Board of Education Revised Report No. 58 – 07/08 ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
 (Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Add Eight New and Revise One Modified Consent Decree On-Demand Accessibility Projects) Recommends approval of amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to include 8 disabled access projects to be funded by Measure K school construction bond funds for a total cost of approximately \$600,000. The revision to the report is to report the action by the School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee.

6. **Board of Education Report No. 60 – 07/08 POSTPONED TO 10/9/07 BOARD MEETING**
Facilities Services Division
 (Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Lease Amendment to Expand the Premises at 3000 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles, for Local District Three Headquarters) Recommends approval of authorization for District staff to negotiate and enter into a lease to expand an existing location with an anticipated total cost of approximately \$100,000 per year.

7. **Board of Education Report No. 61 – 07/08 POSTPONED TO 10/9/07 BOARD MEETING**
Facilities Services Division
 (Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Lease Extension at 350 South Bixel Street, Los Angeles, for the Instructional Support Services Branches of the Division of Educational Services) Recommends approval of authorization for District staff to negotiate and enter into a 5 year lease extension at the Chamber of Commerce Building with an anticipated total cost of approximately \$230,000 per year.

8. Board of Education Report No. 62 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Ratification of Real Estate Leases, Licenses, and Other Agreements or Instruments that are Necessary or Incidental for the Use of Real Property) Recommends ratification of real estate leases and other agreements executed by staff under delegation of authority and includes cases where the District is tenant and where the District is landlord.
9. Board of Education Revised Report No. 64 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Amendment to Add Two Proposition 39 Charter School Renovation Projects to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan) Approves amendment to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to utilize Measure K, Measure R, or Measure Y funds to prepare District owned property at 98th Street Elementary and Flournoy Elementary to accommodate charters high schools. The revision to the report is to report the action by the School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee.
10. Board of Education Report No. 67 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Supplemental Environmental Impact Report, Central Los Angeles Learning Center No. 1, K-12 Project, and Adoption of Findings of Fact, Statement of Overriding Considerations and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan) Recommends approval of certification of the Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Report; adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, and the Statement of Overriding Considerations for a school project at the former Ambassador Hotel site on Wilshire Blvd. in the City of Los Angeles.
11. Board of Education Revised Report No. 68 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Approval of Modified Plan for Reconstruction of Coconut Grove Wing for the Central Los Angeles Learning Center No. 1, K-12 Project as set forth in the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report) Recommends approval of the modified plan for the reconstruction of the Coconut Grove Wing for a school project at the former Ambassador Hotel site on Wilshire Blvd. in the City of Los Angeles. The revision is to update the Committee Recommendation section reflecting the cancellation of the September Facilities Committee.
12. Board of Education Report No. 72 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Environmental Impact Report, Proposed Central Region High School No. 16 Project) Recommends approval of certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report; adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, and the Statement of Overriding Considerations for high school to be located at Avalon Blvd. and 54th Street in the City of Los Angeles.

13. Board of Education Revised Report No. 73 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
 Facilities Services Division
 (Project Approval for Central Region High School No. 16) Recommends authorization for District staff to proceed with construction of a 2,025 student, grades 9-12 high school to be located at Avalon Blvd. and 54th Street in the City of Los Angeles with an anticipated total project cost of \$183,036,000. The revision is to update the Committee Recommendation section reflecting the cancellation of the September Facilities Committee.
14. Board of Education Report No. 74 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
 Facilities Services Division
 (New Construction Eligibility – Use of Grants) Recommends adoption of a resolution to realign eligibility to maximize District's share of state bond construction funds.
15. Board of Education Report No. 53 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
 Division of Special Education
 (Amendment to Local Plan for Special Education and 2006-07 Annual Service and Budget Plans for Special Education) Recommends adoption of 2006-07 Special Education Annual Service and Budget Plans and the amended Local Plan for Special Education guaranteeing that children with disabilities receive a free appropriate public education.
16. Board of Education Revised Report No. 54 – 07/08 **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
 Business Services Division **(SUBSTITUTE PAGE 6 WITH REVISED PAGE 6 TO CORRECT CONTRACT TERM)**
 (Agreements and Amendments) Recommends approval of agreements for support for on-the-job teachers obtaining credentials, speech and language assessment services for preschool students, social marketing and consultancy services for the Nutrition Network, and technology services for the Office of General Counsel. The revision updates legal counsel approval.
17. Board of Education Report No. 77 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
 Office of the Chief Financial Officer
 (Agreement with KPMG for Audit Services) Recommends approval of amendment to existing contract with KPMG to expand the scope of work related to the District's annual financial and compliance audit for 2006-07 and to provide bond audits for the 2006-07 fiscal year.
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18. Board of Education Report No. 78 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
 Office of the General Counsel
 (2007-2008 District's Initial Proposals to United Teachers Los Angeles) Recommends adopting initial proposals regarding total compensation and work conditions that would allow negotiations to begin.

New Business for Action

19. Board of Education Report No. 80 – 07/08 **PUBLIC HEARING ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
 Charter Schools Division **(CORRECTING MAXIMUM CAPACITY FROM 375 TO 500)**
 (College Ready Middle Academy No. 3 Charter Petition) Recommends approval of a charter petition for a 375 500 student middle school for 5 years to be located in the Hollenbeck Middle School attendance area in East Los Angeles area.

20. Board of Education Report No. 81 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Business Services Division
(Various Purchasing Transactions) Recommends ratification of regular purchase orders and other transactions for approximately \$16 million; authorization to purchase pizzas, binders and folders, water heating boilers and authorization to enter into a contract for relocation and moving services.
21. Board of Education Report No. 82 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Human Resources
(Provisional Internship Permits) Recommends approval of request for 183 teachers in the subjects indicated to be employed under the Provisional Internship Permit program.
22. Board of Education Report No. 85 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Human Resources
(Nonroutine Personnel Actions) Recommends the dismissal of 3 classified employees, and the rescission of dismissal for 1 classified employee.
23. Board of Education Report No. 86 – 07/08 **ADOPTED**
Human Resources
(Routine Personnel Actions) Recommends approval of 3,795 routine personnel actions such as promotions, transfers, leaves, etc.
24. Board of Education Report No. 83 – 07/08 **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
Pupil Services (**WITHDRAWING CASE NO. 018-07/08 AND, UPON WAIVER OF TIMELINE, REFERRING CASE NO. 040-07/8 BACK TO COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER REVIEW**)
(Student Expulsion Issues) Recommends approval of expulsion and appropriate placement of 2 students, including the suspension of enforcement for 1 of the students.
25. Board of Education Report No. 84 – 07/08
Pupil Services
(Student Reinstatements) Recommends approval of the reinstatement of 1 previously expelled student.

Board Members Resolutions

26. Ms. Canter, Ms. Korenstein, Ms. Galatzan – Preserving and Sustaining School Gardens
ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Whereas, School gardens are powerful instructional tools for teaching hands-on science, mathematics, social-science, language arts, and visual and performing arts;

Whereas, Research has found that participation in youth gardening programs can positively impact self-esteem and attitudes toward school, social skills and behavior, significantly increase achievement scores, improve environmental attitudes and increase interest in eating fruits and vegetables;

Whereas, The District encourages increased environmental health awareness in schools, and has initiated training and mentor programs, participated in Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) studies, and has partnered with the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to prevent chemical exposures to students at new and existing school sites and are committed to pesticide-free gardens;

Whereas, School gardens can provide children access to fresh, healthy food and physical activity programs, which are not otherwise available to them;

Whereas, Such gardens also provide opportunities for family and community involvement in schools, academic achievement, environmental stewardship, work preparedness and appreciation for the natural world;

Whereas, The California Superintendent of Instruction in 1997 announced a state goal of establishing “a garden in every school” and current Superintendent Jack O’Connell established a School Gardens Advisory Group to provide support and guidance to school gardens in California; and

Whereas, Governor Schwarzenegger signed legislation this year which provides \$15 million for school gardens through the 2008-2009 school years; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District directs the Superintendent to:

1. Support the preservation of existing gardens in District schools that have instructional programming ties and funding support;
2. Encourage the use of school gardens as outdoor laboratories for instruction of the California State standards in science, mathematics, language arts and social studies, as well as nutrition and arts education;
3. Ensure compliance with federal, state, local and District environmental health and safety policies designed to support safe school gardens;

4. Promote the use of school garden produce through tastings and samplings of produce;
5. Allow and promote the sale of items, grown in school gardens, such as flowers and produce, by Associated Student Bodies in compliance with all applicable health codes;
6. Embrace the “garden in every school” program established by the California Department of Education;
7. Support pilot programs which link school and community gardens, similar to those at Venice and North Hollywood High Schools; and
8. Work with the City of Los Angeles and the State of California to establish and ensure ongoing financial support for school gardens.

Initial Announcements

Miscellaneous Business

Correspondence and Petitions

27. Report of Correspondence **APPROVED**

Approval of Minutes

28. 1 p.m., Special Board Meeting, June 28, 2007 **APPROVED**

Public Hearing

29. Dedication of Easement to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, with no consideration, a portion of Central Los Angeles Area New High School No. 9 **ADOPTED**

Announcements

Public Comment

Adjournment

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