CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a vacation request for the L-shaped alley (portion of) southerly of Victory Boulevard and westerly of Bakman Avenue.

Recommendations for Council action:

 FIND that the street vacation proceedings, pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law, be initiated for the vacation of the public right-of-way shown colored blue on Exhibit A of the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) report dated September 14, 2016 (attached to the Council file) as follows:

A portion of the L-shaped alley southerly of Victory Boulevard and westerly of Bakman Avenue.

- 2. FIND that the vacation is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, pursuant to Article III, Class 5(3) of the City's Environmental Guidelines.
- FIND that there is a public benefit to this street vacation and upon vacation of the street, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the street, and that the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved street easements.
- 4. FIND, in conformance with Section 556 of the City Charter, that the vacation is in substantial conformance with the purposes, intent and provisions of the General Plan.
- 5. FIND, in conformance with Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code, that the vacation area is not necessary for non-motorized transportation facilities.
- 6. FIND, in conformance with Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code, that the vacation area is not necessary for present or prospective public use.
- 7. ADOPT the City Engineer's report dated September 14, 2016 with the conditions contained therein.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The BOE reports that the petitioner has paid a fee of \$14,980 for the investigation of this request pursuant to Section 7.42 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC). Any deficit fee to recover the cost pursuant to Section 7.44 of the LAAC will be required of the petitioner. Maintenance of the public easement by City forces will be eliminated.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on September 5, 2018, the Public Safety Committee considered a BOE report regarding a vacation request of Victory Boulevard and Bakman Avenue. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended on consent to approve the recommendations in the BOE report. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
ENGLANDER ABSENT
OFARRELL YES
BUSCAINO YES
RYU ABSENT

RODRIGUEZ YES

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