

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT and PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the vacation of a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue (VAC-E1401165).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that the Council has imposed all of the mitigation measures for the vacation of a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue that are within the control of the City, as described in the Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 2005031126) that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that the 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 January 24, 2006, attached to the Council file and incorporated.
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the City Engineer dated April 15, 2014, as the Findings of Council.
3. FIND that the street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law be instituted for the vacation of a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue and shown colored blue on Exhibit A of the April 15, 2014 City Engineer report, attached to the Council file:

A portion of the T-Shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue, adjoining Lots 7, 8, 21, and 22 of Block 21 of A Portion of the Arlington Heights Tract.

4. FIND that the vacation of the area shown colored orange on Exhibit A of the April 15, 2014 City Engineer report, attached to the Council file, be denied.
5. FIND that there is a public benefit to the vacation of a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue. Upon vacation of the alley, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the right-of-way. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved alley easement.
6. FIND that the vacation of a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue is in substantial conformance with the purposes, intent and provisions of the General Plan, in conformance with Section 556 of the City Charter.
7. FIND that the vacation of a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue is not necessary for non-motorized transportation facilities, in conformance with Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
8. FIND that the vacation of a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue is not necessary for present or prospective public use, in conformance with Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

9. ADOPT the City Engineer's report dated April 15, 2014 with the conditions contained therein.
10. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to set a public hearing date for **JULY 29, 2014**.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Engineer reports that to date an estimated \$35,505.34 in charges have been expended in the investigation and processing of this proceeding. Since Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code exempted all governmental agencies from payment of fees at the time that this application was submitted, the processing of this report will be absorbed by the Bureau of Engineering. Maintenance of the public easement by City Forces will be eliminated.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

### SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on May 21, 2014, the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee considered the recommendations of the City Engineer as contained in its April 15, 2014 report. The City Engineer reports that the area sought to be vacated is a portion of the T-shaped alley south of Washington Boulevard between Second Avenue and Third Avenue (a map of the area is included as Exhibit A in the April 15, 2014 City Engineer report, attached to the Council file). The purpose of the vacation request, together with the vacation requests under Council file Nos. 11-0091 and 11-0088, is to consolidate the vacation area with the adjoining properties for the construction of Central Regional Elementary School No. 13. This vacation procedure is being processed under procedures established by Council on March 5, 2002 as detailed in Council file No. 01-1459.

After having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations as contained in said City Engineer report. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BUSCAINO:	YES
PRICE:	YES
CEDILLO:	ABSENT

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