

CATEGORIAL EXEMPTION and PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the vacation of Hillside Way from approximately 10 feet North of the southwesterly corner of Lot 271 to its northeasterly terminus, VAC-E1401313 (Vacation).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. 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.
2. DENY the City Engineer's report dated September 26, 2019, attached to the Council file.
3. INSTITUTE the street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law, for the vacation of the public right-of-way indicated below and shown colored blue on Exhibit B attached to the City Engineer's report dated August 31, 2020, attached to the Council File, and that the exact limits of the vacation areas be permitted to be adjusted based on the final approved design of the adjoining street improvements.
4. FIND that there is a public benefit to this street vacation. Upon vacation of the street, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the street. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved street easements.
5. FIND that the vacation is in substantial conformance with the purposes, intent and provisions of the General Plan, in conformance with Section 556 of the Los Angeles City Charter.
6. DETERMINE that the Vacation are is not necessary for non-motorized transportation facilities, in conformance with Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
7. DETERMINE that the Vacation area is not necessary for present or prospective public use, in conformance with Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
8. ADOPT the City Engineer's report with the conditions contained therein.
9. DENY the vacation of the area, shown colored orange on Exhibit B of the City Engineer's report dated August 31, 2020, attached to the Council File.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Engineer reports that the petitioner has paid a deposit of \$14,980 for the investigation of this request pursuant to the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAMC) Section 7.42. Any deficit to the deposit will be required of the petitioner to recover the cost pursuant to LAMC Section 7.44.

Maintenance of the public easement by City forces will be eliminated.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY:

At a regular meeting held on November 4, 2020 the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee telephonically considered a City Engineer report relative to the vacation of Hillside Way from approximately 10 feet North of the southwesterly corner of Lot 271 to its northeasterly terminus, VAC-E1401313 (Vacation). After providing an opportunity for public comment, the committee approved the recommendations in the City Engineer report dated August 31, 2020, as detailed above. This matter is now transmitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
RYU:	ABSENT
DE LEON:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
LEE:	YES

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