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The Honorable Dave Upthegrove Chair, King County Council Room 1200 C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Upthegrove:

This letter transmits a proposed Ordinance that, if enacted, would vacate King County's interest in a portion of 232<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE right-of-way for an area of approximately 9,031 square feet located in the Redmond area of unincorporated King County.

If adopted, this proposed Ordinance will convert this right-of-way to the private use and ownership of the petitioner Hyunchul Yi. Upon vacation, the County will no longer be responsible for maintenance or management of this portion of right-of-way, and the public will benefit in the form of returning the property to the property tax rolls.

The findings in the attached County Road Engineer's Report for this road vacation show that the subject right-of-way has no use as part of the County road system and the public would benefit by the vacation of this right-of-way to the petitioner. It is the recommendation of the County Road Engineer and the Director of Road Services that the vacation be approved with the condition of payment of compensation consistent with the application of the compensation model prepared by the Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget.

The procedure for vacation of the subject portion of right-of-way is set forth in King County Code (KCC) 14.40 and the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Chapter 36.87, which establishes the right of abutting property owners to petition a County legislative body for the vacation of road rights-of-way.

After introduction of the proposed Ordinance and establishment of a public hearing date by the Hearing Examiner, a notice of the public hearing will be posted at the site of the road vacation. After the public hearing, the Hearing Examiner will prepare final recommendations to the King County Council. Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner will be heard by the Council per KCC 14.40.

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Thank you for your consideration of this proposed Ordinance. If your staff have questions, please contact Tricia Davis, Director of Road Services Division, at 206-263-9690.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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