

Department of Local Services

Road Services Division

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL SERVICES ROAD SERVICES DIVISION COUNTY ROAD ENGINEER REPORT ON VACATION PETITION V-2732

December 29, 2020

Petition to Vacate: Portion of the Alley in Block 2, Florentine Tracts

Vacation File: V-2732

Petitioners: Roslyn Hyde and Gene Vijarro

Recommendation: The County Road Engineer has determined that the subject portion of right-

of-way is useless to the county road system and should be vacated.

Petitioners Roslyn Hyde and Gene Vijarro submitted a petition for the vacation of a portion of the Alley in Block 2, Florentine Tracts on May 21, 2020. The subject right-of-way is an unopened and unmaintained portion of right-of-way located in the White Center area of unincorporated King County. See site map attached as Exhibit A.

Pursuant to King County Code section 14.40.0104 B, the following report is submitted.

KCC 14.40.0104 B. - The petition has been reviewed and determined to be valid. Petitioners own the majority of the lineal footage of the frontage of the right-of-way proposed for vacation.

- B.1 The portion of right-of-way proposed to be vacated has been examined and it is recommended that it should be vacated and abandoned.
- B.2 The Alley in Block 2, Florentine Tracts is not in use as a road nor is it in use by the traveling public. No records have been located indicating use, improvement or maintenance of the area by King County. The subject right-of-way was dedicated as an Alley in the 1912 plat of Florentine Tracts, as recorded in Volume 20 of Plats at Page 84.
- B.3 The Alley in Block 2, Florentine Tracts is an unopen and unmaintained county road right-of-way.
- B.4 The portion of right-of-way subject to this petition is not needed as part of the county transportation system of the future and it is not advisable to preserve the subject portion of the right-of-way for future transportation use.
- B.5 The public will benefit from the vacation of the right-of-way. The subject vacation area is not necessary or useful to the county road system and the public will benefit from the incorporation of the right-of-way into the Petitioners' property returning this area to the public tax rolls.
- B.6 Roads obtained from the King County Assessor's Office a determination of the value for the vacation area associated with each Petitioners' property.

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Regarding parcel number 258680-0160, owned by Petitioner Roslyn Hyde, the Assessor's Office determined that adding approximately 480 square feet to the property would result in a \$3,000 increase in value. The valuation as applied to the compensation model prepared by the County Office of Performance Strategy and Budget (PSB), see attached, results in no charge to Petitioner should this 480 square foot area of unopened undeveloped right-of-way be vacated.

Regarding parcel number 258680-0065, owned by Petitioner Gene Vijarro, the Assessor's Office determined that adding approximately 480 square feet to the property would result in a \$3,000 increase in value. The valuation as applied to the compensation model prepared by the County Office of Performance Strategy and Budget (PSB), see attached, results in no charge to Petitioner should this 480 square foot area of unopened undeveloped right-of-way be vacated.

It is the recommendation of the County Road Engineer and the Director of Road Services that, consistent with the application of the PSB compensation model as applied to this road vacation petition, the subject portion of right-of-way be vacated without the condition of additional payment by petitioners.

- B.7 The subject portion of right-of-way does not serve as access to any property. No access easements are required.
- B.8 No utility identified a need for an easement over the vacation area to serve current or planned infrastructure.
- B.9 No fees have been charged nor costs incurred for this vacation beyond the \$200 filing fee.
- B.10 The right-of-way to be vacated does not abut a body of salt or fresh water.
- B.11 No property owners abut the portion of right-of-way proposed to be vacated who are not petitioners to this vacation.
- B.12 Under KCC 14.40.0106, discretion was exercised, and petitioner is not charged any fees or costs in association with this Petition beyond the filing fee. As no additional fees were assessed under 14.40.0106 B, there are no costs to be waived under 14.40.0106C and no costs incurred to list.

In conclusion, the subject portion of right-of-way is useless to the county road system and petition V-2732 seeking to vacate this portion of the Alley in Block 2, Florentine Tracts should be approved.

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Tricia Davis, Director

Road Services Division

APPROVED:

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JoAnn Kosai-Eng, P.E.

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County Road Engineer.

Attachments:

Exhibit A – Site Map

Map of vacation areas

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Compensation Calculation Spreadsheets (2)

VALUATION OF ROADS RIGHT-OF-WAY

Based on PSB Response to Proviso

V-2732

Parcel #258680-0610 Roslyn Hyde

Alley in Block 2, Florentine Tracts

		Frequently Traversed Public	Undeveloped Unopened
Factor	Opened Roads	Areas	ROW
Appraised Value	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Subtract: Transfer of Liability or Risk	\$ 143	\$ 14	0
Subtract: Expected Property Taxes	\$ 63	\$ 63	\$ 63
Subtract: Management and Maintenance			
Costs	\$ 7,904	0	\$ 4,096
DLS Processing Costs	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$ (5,109)	\$ 2,923	\$ (1,159)

ANNUAL UPDATES:

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- 3) Total road mileage in the system.
- 4) Roads operating budget (use half of the biennial budget).

Factor:	Provider:	Number		_	
Value of vacation area	DOA	\$	3,000	See below *	Varies per parcel
"Mileage" of parcel			0.01	Parcel size in linear mileage	Varies per parcel
Average of 5 years of risk costs	ORM	\$	1,972,679	5 year average, annual cost	Updated annually
Property tax rate - general fund	PSB / DOA	\$	0.59	per 1,000 AV; 2020 number	Updated annually
Property tax rate roads	PSB / DOA	\$	1.82	per 1,000 AV; 2020 number	Updated annually
Road miles in system	Roads		1500		Updated annually
Roads annual operating budget	Roads	\$	108,900,000	Half of biennial operating budg	el Updated annually
Roads costs for clean-up	Roads	\$	204,813	Total annual costs; future aver	ag Updated annually
DLS Processing costs	N/A	\$	-	N/A	

Square footage and lineal measurement of vacation area:

Parcel Size in square feet Roads 480 Square footage of vacation area

Parcel size in lineal feet 60
Parcel size in "road mileage" 0.011363636

* Value of vacation area from Assessor's Office:

Parcel 258680-0160 value pre-vacation	\$130,000
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Vacation File: V-2732 Unnamed Alleyway SW 06-23-04

ROW Area (Approximate):

Total: 960 FT2 or 0.02 Acres



