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City Council and City Clerk

SUBJECT:

Resolution - Setting Public Hearing - December 3, 2019

Street Vacation 124.1401 - 1351 Fawcett, LLC

DATE:

November 6, 2019

SUMMARY:

A resolution setting Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., as the date and time for a hearing before the Hearing Examiner on the 1351 Fawcett, LLC request to vacate the air rights of the north 5.66 feet of South 15th Street abutting the parcel known as 1351 Fawcett Avenue, to extend air rights from 16.5 feet above the existing grade at the Southwest corner of another point 73.5 feet directly above, and extend 16.5 feet above the existing grade at the Southeast corner to another point 91.2 feet directly above, to facilitate future development.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

• Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

Petitioner 1351 Fawcett, LLC plans to use the right-of-way for future development.

BACKGROUND:

The street right-of-way was dedicated in the Map of New Tacoma, W.T., filed in the records of Pierce County, on February 3, 1875.

ISSUE:

Pursuant to RCW 35.79 and Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC) 9.22, the Public Works Department is requesting the City Council set a date to consider this request for this street vacation to be heard by the Hearing Examiner and report the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation to the City Council for their consideration.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council could decide not to approve the resolution setting the hearing date; however, such an action would reduce the development footprint and feasibility of the proposed project.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends City Council approval of this request to set the Hearing Examiner's public hearing date for Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This action only sets the date of the hearing before the Hearing Examiner. The City will receive market value compensation for the vacated right-of-way. The proceeds will be deposited in accordance with TMC 9.22.