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SUBJECT: Resolution – Setting Public Hearing – June 14, 2016
Street Vacation 124.1366 – Skookum Holdings, LLC
DATE: May 23, 2016

SUMMARY:

A resolution setting Thursday, August 4, 2016, at 1:30 p.m., as the date and time for a hearing before the Hearing Examiner on the Skookum Holdings, LLC request to vacate a portion of the alley between East 25th Street and Puyallup Avenue, lying between A Street and SR-705, for a private driveway.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

Skookum Holdings, LLC plans to use and improve the alley right-of-way to facilitate access to their adjacent building. The vacation will also return the property to the tax rolls.

BACKGROUND:

The alley right-of-way was originally dedicated in the plat of Tacoma Land Company's First Addition to Tacoma, W.T., on July 7, 1884. It was subsequently acquired by the state of Washington for the SR-705 freeway, but was turned back to the City of Tacoma on June 12, 2013.

ISSUE:

Pursuant to RCW 35.79 and 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:

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, August 4, 2016, at 1:30 p.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.