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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Setting Public Hearing – December 17, 2019
Street Vacation 124.1406 – Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma
DATE: November 25, 2019

SUMMARY:

A resolution setting Thursday, January 30, 2020, at 1:30 p.m., as the date and time for a hearing before the Hearing Examiner for petitioner’s request to vacate all those portions of publicly dedicated streets, lying between East 48th Street and East 52nd Street, within the park boundaries of Swan Creek Park for park enhancements and improvements.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

Vacation of these streets will reduce City’s risk and expenditure for maintenance obligations of an area of the right of way. Furthermore, this vacation will allow the enhancements and improvements proposed by the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma as currently contemplated by specific land use actions contained within Conditional Use Permitting as filed under LU19-0216 for public use and benefit.

BACKGROUND:

A petition has been filed by the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma for those certain public streets, lying between East 48th Street and East 52nd Street, to clear title and in preparation for future park enhancements and improvements.

ISSUE:

Pursuant to RCW 35.79 and Tacoma Municipal Code 9.22, the Public Works Department is requesting the City Council set a date to consider this request for a 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 this request to set a date for public hearing, which will halt the application for street vacation.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends City Council approve this request to set the Hearing Examiner’s public hearing date for Thursday, January 30, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.