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SUBJECT: Resolution – East 28th Street/Bay Street Quit Claim Deed to WSDOT – January 10, 2017
DATE: December 7, 2016

SUMMARY:

Authorizing the execution of a Quit Claim Deed to release the interest of the City of Tacoma of 30,009 square feet of Bay Street, also known as East 28th Street, to facilitate the current Washington State Department of Transportation I-5/Portland Avenue to Port of Tacoma Road Project – Northbound HOV, and a property transfer to the Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

Approval and execution of the Quit Claim Deed will clear a known cloud on title of East 28th Street and facilitate the current Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) I-5 Project – Northbound HOV, and transaction with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

BACKGROUND:

The subject property was originally platted as South 28th Street in the Map of The Indian Addition, recorded May 1, 1896. In the years that followed, WSDOT obtained the property by operation of law for the SR-5 project. However, in July 1965, the Washington State Highway Commission found the area was no longer needed and, therefore, was to be returned to the city/town affected. Resolution No. 18236 stated the City agreed to accept the certification and decision of the Commission; however, the property was never officially conveyed to the City, which left ownership of the right-of-way uncertain. The current transaction will release any interest the City may have in the property.

ISSUE:

WSDOT requested clear title of Bay Street, otherwise known as East 28th Street, to facilitate its I-5 project and transaction with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City could choose not to Quit Claim any interest it may have in East 28th Street.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department does not see any future need for the East 28th Street right-of-way and requests the City Council approve the release of any interest the City may have via Quit Claim Deed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A