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**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution - Setting Public Hearing – June 23, 2015  
 Street Vacation 124.1350 – Puyallup Tribe of Indians  
**DATE:** June 6, 2015

**SUMMARY:**

A resolution setting Thursday, July 30, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., as the date and time for a hearing before the Hearing Examiner on the request of the City to vacate all that certain alley lying between East 29<sup>th</sup> Street and East 30<sup>th</sup> Street and Portland Avenue and East “R” Street for the construction of a multi-level parking garage structure in preparation for the Emerald Queen Casino relocation.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

- Foster a vibrant and diverse economy with good jobs for all Tacoma residents.
- Cultivate a vibrant cultural sector that fosters a creative, cohesive community.

Vacation of this alley will assist in furthering the development of the Emerald Queen Casino’s proposed new location by constructing a parking garage structure.

**BACKGROUND:**

A petition has been filed by the Puyallup Tribe of Indians for the vacation of that certain alley lying between East 29<sup>th</sup> and East 30<sup>th</sup> Streets from Portland Avenue to East R Street for the purposes of constructing a multi-level parking garage structure and future location of the expanded Emerald Queen Casino project. The parking garage structure is to be constructed first in preparation for the casino development. An exhibit of the latest rendition of planned development is attached.

**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 a City-initiated 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:**

If the City Council does not approve this street vacation request, the Puyallup Tribe of Indians will need to significantly redesign and reduce the footprint of both the casino and parking garage structure to be contained within the lots and blocks of the platted property.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

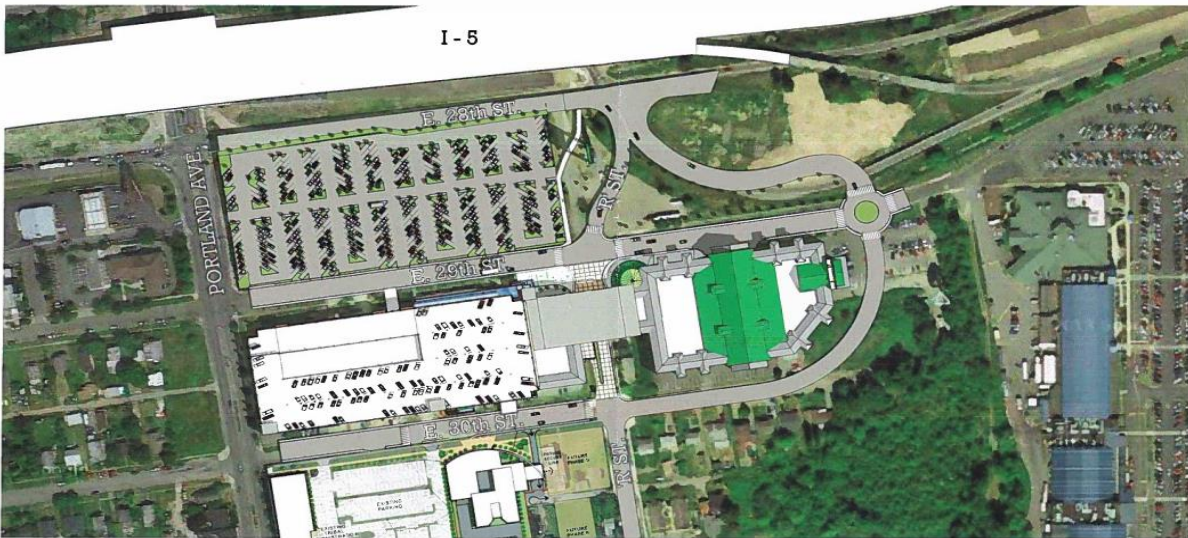
The Public Works Department recommends City Council approve this request to set the Hearing Examiner’s public hearing date for Thursday, July 30, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.



**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This action only sets the date of the hearing before the Hearing Examiner. There is no fiscal impact.

Puyallup Tribe  
Exhibit of Planned Development  
Green roof is proposed Casino; White area is roof of multi-level garage.



SITE PLAN

PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS  
EMERALD QUEEN CASINO | 12.3.2014



CONCEPTUAL DESIGN SKETCH