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**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Setting Public Hearing – March 19, 2019  
Street Vacation 124.1394 – Medley  
**DATE:** February 26, 2019

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**SUMMARY:**

A resolution setting Thursday, April 25, 2019, at 1:30 p.m., as the date and time for a hearing before the Hearing Examiner for petitioners’ request to vacate a portion of South 45<sup>th</sup> Street, lying between Union Avenue and its terminus abutting Tacoma Water’s Flume Line property on South Tacoma Way.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

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

Vacation of this segment of South 45<sup>th</sup> Street will reduce the City’s risk and expenditure for maintenance obligations, with the exception of the pedestrian accesses to be reserved, of the right-of-way. Furthermore, this vacation will add additional taxable square footage of land to the tax rolls.

**BACKGROUND:**

A petition has been filed by a representative for Donald and Janet Medley for a portion of South 45<sup>th</sup> Street, lying between Union Avenue and its terminus abutting Tacoma Water’s Flume Line Property on South Tacoma Way, for potential secured parking and future business expansion.

Petitioner has been advised that pedestrian connectivity to South Tacoma Way will be retained by easement reservation within a vacation.

**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:**

City Council could decide not to approve the resolution setting the hearing date, 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, April 25, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.