

City of Tacoma

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City Council and City Clerk

SUBJECT:

Resolution – Setting Public Hearing – October 25, 2016

Street Vacation 124.1371 – Puyallup Tribe of Indians

DATE:

September 28, 2016

SUMMARY:

A resolution setting Thursday, December 1, 2016, at 1:30 p.m., as the date and time for a hearing before the Hearing Examiner on the request of the City to vacate a portion of the alley lying between East 28th and East 29th Streets between Portland Avenue and East R Street, abutting and adjacent to Puyallup Tribal property, in preparation of a new multi-level garage structure, casino, hotel and restaurant.

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 Puyallup Tribal community by constructing a garage structure serving the proposed new location of the expanded Emerald Queen Casino.

BACKGROUND:

A petition has been filed by the Puyallup Tribe of Indians for the vacation of that certain alley lying between East 28th and East 29th Streets between Portland Avenue to East "R" Street for the purposes of constructing a multi-level parking structure, casino, hotel and restaurant.

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 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 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, December 1, 2016, at 1:30 p.m.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.