



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager



Date: October 20, 2015
Board Meeting Date: November 17, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: Resolution of Intent to Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider Vacating a portion of a Sanitary Sewer Easement (Public Service Easement) at 175 Glen Aulin Lane (APN: 027-341-210), Burlingame (Unincorporated)

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution of Intent to conduct a public hearing to consider the vacation of the public service easement that encumbers a portion of the property at 175 Glen Aulin Lane, Burlingame.

BACKGROUND:

The Public Streets, Highways, and Service Easements Vacation Law (California Streets and Highways Code, Section 8300 et seq.) provides that the legislative body of a local agency may vacate any street, highway or public service easement within its jurisdiction which is determined to be unnecessary for present or prospective public use.

The property owner of 175 Glen Aulin Lane, which sits in unincorporated Burlingame, petitioned the County for the vacation of a portion of a public service easement that encumbers the parcel. The easement originally allowed for installation of a sanitary sewer easement (public service easement) across the property but it is no longer in use. The easement over the property no longer serves a public purpose and the owner seeks to redevelop the parcel and vacation of the easement is necessary for this purpose.

DISCUSSION:

Real Property managed the petition and the vacation process which required discussion with Public Works to establish whether the easement was necessary for public purposes. Public Works researched the easement and found the sewer line to be no longer active and that the easement is no longer necessary for present or prospective public purposes. Notices about the proposed vacation were sent to property owners

within 500 feet of the parcel and various public agencies. No individuals or agencies indicated any concerns over the proposed vacation.

The Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed vacation, and found it to conform with the General Plan.

Upon adoption of the resolution of Intent, which would set the time and date for a public hearing, interested parties will be notified of the scheduled hearing. Notices of the hearing will also be published and posted at the site as required by law.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form. The Director of the Department of Public Works concurs in this recommendation.

Adoption of this resolution contributes to the 2025 Shared Vision outcome of an Environmental Community by eliminating an unnecessary utility easement that currently encumbers a residential parcel.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no net county cost for this action.