



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager



Date: November 17, 2015
Board Meeting Date: December 8, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: 2 Weeks Published and
Posted
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: Public Hearing and resolution to vacate a 10-foot Sewer Easement over Assessor's Parcel Number 027-341-210, also known as 175 Glen Aulin Lane in unincorporated Burlingame (Vacation No. R090G)

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution to vacate a 10-foot sewer easement over Assessor's Parcel Number 027-341-210, also known as 175 Glen Aulin Lane in unincorporated 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. By statute, the legislative body must hold a public hearing to receive evidence offered by interested persons regarding that determination.

The property owner of 175 Glen Aulin Lane, which is situated in unincorporated Burlingame, petitioned the County for the vacation of a sewer easement that encumbers the parcel. The easement is no longer in use and no longer serves a public purpose. The owner seeks to redevelop the parcel and the easement must be vacated for this to happen.

DISCUSSION:

Real Property managed the petition and the vacation process which required discussions with the Department of Public Works to establish whether the easement was necessary for public purposes. Public Works made a determination that the sewer line was not active and not necessary for present or prospective public purposes.

Notices about the proposed vacation were sent to property owners within 500 feet of the parcel and to various public agencies. There were no responses.

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

Your Board adopted a Resolution of Intent to Conduct a Public Hearing in consideration of this vacation on November 17, 2015, which set the time and date for the public hearing as December 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Interested parties were notified of the scheduled hearing. Notices of the hearing were also 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.