

City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: APRIL 17, 2018

FROM: COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WARD: 1

DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: PLANNING CASE P17-0667 FOR A STREET VACATION BY THE CITY OF

RIVERSIDE – SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE VACATION OF FAIRMOUNT BOULEVARD BETWEEN MISSION INN AND UNIVERSITY

AVENUES

ISSUE:

Adopt a resolution of intent to hold a public hearing on May 22, 2018, to consider a proposal by the City of Riverside to vacate the segment of Fairmount Boulevard, a fully improved public street, between Mission Inn and University Avenues.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopt the attached resolution of intent to hold a public hearing on May 22, 2018 to consider Planning Case P17-0667 Street Vacation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 8, 2018, the City Planning Commission recommended approval of Planning Case P17-0667 Street Vacation, a request to vacate the segment of Fairmount Boulevard between Mission Inn and University Avenues, by a vote of 8 ayes, 0 noes and 0 abstentions.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed Street Vacation will vacate the segment of Fairmount Boulevard between Mission Inn and University Avenues. It is approximately 328 feet in length, 60 feet in width, and approximately 0.46 acres in area. The purpose of the street vacation is to facilitate the future construction of the new Main Branch of the Riverside Public Library.

The attached resolution (Attachment 3) is the first requirement for a vacation pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways, and Service Easements Vacation Law. Prior to ordering a street vacated, the City Council must first adopt a resolution declaring its intent to hold a public hearing to consider the vacation of the subject segment of Fairmount Boulevard, setting the place, date and time for the public hearing, as well as the noticing requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact is limited to staff time and resources required to review and analyze the proposed vacation, schedule the necessary public hearings, prepare reports, recommendations and resolutions and post notices. There are no direct expenditures associated with the vacation of the right-of-way as no physical changes are proposed at this time.

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Approved by: Al Zelinka, FAICP, Assistant City Manager

Approved as to form: Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney

Attachments:

1. City Planning Commission Report – March 8, 2018

- 2. City Planning Commission Minutes March 8, 2018
- 3. Resolution of Intent to Hold a Public Hearing