



ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CITY-OWNED VACANT CANAL LAND LOCATED BETWEEN VAN BUREN BOULEVARD AND GIBSON STREET AS SURPLUS

Community & Economic Development Department

CITY COUNCIL
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BACKGROUND

1. May 23, 1961, a portion of the Riverside Water Company Canal, approximately 56,999 square feet, was condemned to the City of Riverside by a Final Order of Condemnation.
2. Enacted in 1968, Surplus Land Act (Act) required local agencies to prioritize affordable housing when disposing of surplus land. Amended in 2014, the Act defined what constitutes a qualified proposal and provided more realistic timeframes for negotiations.



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3. The passage of Assembly Bill 1486 in October 2019 revised the disposition process by requiring local public agencies to notify the State of available surplus land for possible affordable housing development.



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DISCUSSION

1. The subject properties are located between Gibson Street and Van Buren Boulevard and currently have a drainage facility maintained by Public Utilities.
2. With the surplus declaration, there will be a condition for future buyers to install underground draining pipes in accordance with Public Works' requirements.
3. Subsequently, an easement will be reserved for the connection to Riverside County Flood Control District facilities who will take over the responsibility of future maintenance if the line meets their minimum standards.



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SUBJECT PROPERTIES

Total Square footage: 56,999

APNS 213-160-002 and 233-190-004
Zoning: R-4, Multi-Family Residential

General Plan Designation: Very High Density Residential

APN 233-150-017
Zoning and General Plan Designation: MU-V, Mixed Use Village



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STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Strategic Priority No. 5 High Performing Government

Goal 5.4 Achieve and maintain financial health by addressing gaps between revenues and expenditures and aligning resources with strategic priorities to yield the greatest impact.

Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability & Resiliency



Equity



Innovation



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Adopt a Resolution to declare, as surplus, approximately 56,999 square feet of vacant City-owned canal parcels (Property), located between Van Buren Boulevard and Gibson Street bearing Assessor's Parcel Numbers 233-160-022, 233-150-017, 233-190-004; and
2. Authorize the marketing and sale of the Property pursuant to Assembly Bill 1486 and in accordance with the City's Administrative Manual 08.003.00 for the Disposition and Sale of City-Owned Real Property.



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