

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JANUARY 11, 2005

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER

BY: KEN BERKMAN, CITY ENGINEER

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06-1399; APPROVING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF CANWOOD STREET BETWEEN DERRY AVENUE AND LEWIS ROAD AND DERRY AVENUE FROM CANWOOD STREET TO APPROXIMATELY 150 FEET NORTHERLY (ADLER – AGOURA DESIGN CENTER)

As a part of the development of the “Agoura Design Center” on Canwood Street between Derry Avenue and Lewis Road, the applicant and the City Engineer agreed to reconfigure the property lines to coincide with the back of the proposed sidewalks on Canwood Street and the public right-of-way (ROW) portion of Derry Avenue. This triggered the need to vacate relatively thin portions of the northerly side of Canwood Street and easterly side of Derry Avenue. Sufficient roadway right-of-way will exist after the vacations to provide for the necessary lanes of travel, in conformance with the General Plan’s Circulation Element.

On December 14, 2005, the City Council approved a resolution that declared the Council’s intention to vacate the public ROW and set the public hearing date for this vacation for this evening. Attached for your consideration is the resolution to approve the vacation, along with exhibits “A” and “B” describing and depicting the vacation area.

On January 5, 2005, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and determined that the proposed vacation to be in conformance with the General Plan and with Section 65402 of the State’s Government Code. Since the City owns the ROW in fee, the abandonment of the ROW will result in the land becoming a separate City-owned parcel. The City will then be able to dispose of the land by selling it as surplus property. Staff has scheduled an agenda item on January 25th noticing the City’s intent to sell the property.

This vacation procedure was done in full compliance with Section 8300 et sec of the California Streets and Highways Code. Notice of the vacation was posted along the property on December 28, 2005, and also published in *The Ventura County Star* on January 1st and 7th, 2006.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council:

1. Approve Resolution No. 06-1399, to vacate a portion of Canwood Street between Derry Avenue and Lewis Road and Derry Avenue from Canwood Street to approximately 150 feet northerly and reserving a utility easement; and
2. Direct the City Clerk to forward a certified copy of the Resolution to the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office for recording.

Attachments: Resolution No. 06-1399

Exhibits "A" and "B" –Legal Description and Map of Area to be Vacated