

**DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL SERVICES  
ROAD SERVICES DIVISION  
REPORT TO THE HEARING EXAMINER**

**PUBLIC HEARING: September 20, 2023 at 11:00 am, or shortly thereafter**

**Video/Telephonic hearing by the King County Hearing Examiner's Office  
Seattle, WA 98104**

**September 5, 2023**

**PETITION TO VACATE: A portion of S. 372<sup>nd</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Road Services File: V-2741**

**Proposed Ordinance: 2023-0204**

**A. GENERAL INFORMATION**

Petitioner(s): Rufus and Ann Sprague  
Vicky Sherer  
Duane and Marty Groscost

Location of Road: S. 372<sup>nd</sup> St/8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Plat of Jovita Addition  
Thomas Brothers Page 775  
Quarter Section – NW 34-21-4

Adjacent Parcels: 375060-2673, 375060-2185, and 375060-2694

**B. HISTORY AND OVERVIEW**

R.C.W. 36.87 establishes the right of property owners to petition a county legislative body for the vacation of road rights-of-way. K.C.C. 14.40 establishes King County policies and procedures for accomplishing same.

The petition was filed with the Clerk of the King County Council on October 1, 2020, seeking the vacation of a portion of S.372<sup>nd</sup> Street/8<sup>th</sup> Street of the Jovita Addition Plat in the Auburn area of unincorporated King County.

King County acquired the subject right-of-way by dedication in the 1910 plat of Jovita Addition, as recorded in Volume 19 of Plats at Page 14.

The subject portion of right-of-way qualifies as unopened and unmaintained road right-of-way and does not provide access to any properties.

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**C. NOTICE**

Notice of this hearing was posted at the approximate ends of the proposed vacation area on August 28, 2023, see Exhibit #22, and published in accordance with requirements of RCW 36.87.060. See Exhibit #23.

**D. REVIEWING AGENCIES AND COMMENTS**

Roads solicited comments from agencies within King County and utilities serving the area regarding the impacts of vacating the subject area. The responses received are listed below. Puget Sound Energy requested and obtained an easement over the vacation area. See Exhibits #17-19. Comcast and CenturyLink/Lumen have facilities within the vacation area but will either follow on PSE’s easement or obtain an easement after approval of the vacation. No other utility or county division requested easements.

Roads did not receive responses from Lakehaven Water and Sewer District, and the following King County agencies: Executive Services, Division of Real Estate Services; Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Open Space, and Water and Land Resources; or Department of Local Services Road Services Division Maintenance Section or Archeologist. A copy of the Notice is included as Exhibit #10.

<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>	<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>COMMENT</b>
1.	<b>Puget Sound Energy</b>	Response dated 1/08/2021. PSE has a gas main on the south side and elec on the north side of the ROW. PSE would need to obtain an easement.
2.	<b>Comcast</b>	Response dated 2/10/2021. Comcast has facilities on the existing PSE poles. Our intent would be to remain aerial with other utilities. Response dated 2/11/2021. We would typically utilize the PSE easement or work with PSE for the Easement.
3.	<b>Lumen/ CenturyLink</b>	Response dated 12/6/2021. No objection to the vacation. Please save and except an easement to CenturyLink preserving our rights to any existing easement or rights we have on the site.
4.	<b>South King Fire and Rescue</b>	Response dated 12/29/2020. South King Fire has no comment or concerns over this proposed road vacation.
5.	<b>DLS Permitting</b>	Response dated 4/15/2021. Permitting Division has no objections to the proposed road vacation, subject to appropriate easements for utilities are provided as necessary.

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6.	<b>DNRP – Parks</b>	Response dated 2/10/2021. No objections. Response dated 8/26/2022. ROW not necessary or useful for planned trail or park improvements.
7.	<b>DNRP – Wastewater</b>	Response dated 01/05/2021. Recommend proceed with vacation.
8.	<b>DLS Roads- CIP &amp; Planning Section</b>	Response dated 1/7/2021. We have no long range transportation planning concerns with this road vacation. Response dated 2/13/2023. Subject road right-of-way is not necessary or useful as part of the present or future county road or transportation system.
9.	<b>DLS Roads- Traffic Engineering</b>	Response dated 12/28/2020. No objection to this proposed road vacation. There are some utility lines that are contained within the South 372 <sup>nd</sup> Street right-of-way.
10.	<b>Metro Transit</b>	Response dated 03/17/2021. No concerns, interests or comments.
11.	<b>DLS Roads – Survey</b>	Response dated 01/05/2021. Appears to be overhead pole line in north portion of r/w. Approve with utility easements as required.
12.	<b>DLS Roads Environmental Unit</b>	Response dated 3/4/2021. No objection to this vacation request. No critical areas or other environmental issues present.
13.	<b>DLS Roads Drainage</b>	Response dated 12/24/2020. Ok to vacate. Note overhead power and likely need for easements for utilities.
14.	<b>EXEC Historical Preservation</b>	Response dated 1/25/2021. Recommendation - Approve vacation.

**E. COMPENSATION**

Utilizing the model prepared by King County Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget (PSB), Roads solicited from the Assessor’s Office a determination of value for the vacation area that will attach to the property owned by Petitioners. See Exhibit #11.

The property of Petitioners Rufus M. Sprague Jr and Ann S Sprague, parcel number 375060-2673, will receive 3,600 square feet if the petition is approved. The Assessor’s Office determined that adding 3,600 square feet to the property would result in a \$4,000 increase in value. The valuation as applied to the compensation model prepared by the County Office of Performance Strategy and Budget (PSB), see attached, with offsets for management and maintenance costs and future expected property tax, results in no charge of compensation to these Petitioners should the 3,600 square foot area of unopened undeveloped right-of-way be vacated. See Exhibit #12.

The property of Petitioner Vicki M. Sherer, parcel number 375060-2694, will also receive 3,600 square feet if the petition is approved. The Assessor’s Office determined that adding 3,600 square feet to the property would result in a \$4,000 increase in value. The valuation as applied to the

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compensation model prepared by the County Office of Performance Strategy and Budget (PSB), see attached, with offsets for management and maintenance costs and future expected property tax, results in no charge of compensation to this Petitioner should the 3,600 square foot area of unopened undeveloped right-of-way be vacated. See Exhibit #13.

The property of Petitioner Duane E. Groscoast, parcel number 375060-2185, will receive 7,200 square feet if the petition is approved. The Assessor’s Office determined that adding 7,200 square feet to the property would result in a \$8,000 increase in value. The valuation as applied to the compensation model prepared by the County Office of Performance Strategy and Budget (PSB), see attached, with offsets for management and maintenance costs and future expected property tax, results in a charge of \$3,746 in compensation to Petitioner Groscoast should the 7,200 square foot area of unopened undeveloped right-of-way be vacated. See Exhibit #14.

**F. COUNTY ROAD ENGINEER RECOMMENDATION**

The County Road Engineer has determined that the subject portion of right-of-way is useless to the county transportation system. It is the recommendation of the County Road Engineer and the Director of Road Services that, consistent with the application of the PSB compensation model as applied to this road vacation petition, the subject portion of right-of-way be vacated with the requirement of additional payment from the petitioners as set forth above. The full County Road Engineer’s Report is attached as Exhibit # 16.

**G. EXHIBITS**

Exhibit #	DESCRIPTION
1.	DLS Roads Report to the Hearing Examiner September 5, 2023, with 14 Attachments and 24 Exhibits.
2.	Petition transmittal letter dated October 2, 2020, to the County Road Engineer from the Clerk of Council.
3.	Petition for Vacation of a County Road received October 1, 2020
4.	Letter to Petitioners dated October 21, 2020, acknowledging receipt of Petition.
5.	Exhibit map depicting vacation area
6.	Plat Jovita Heights Addition
7.	King County Assessor’s information for Petitioners Sprague’s property, APN 3750602673
8.	King County Assessor’s information for Petitioner Sherer’s property, APN 3750602694
9.	King County Assessor’s information for Petitioner Groscoast’s property, APN 3750602185
10.	Copy of final notice sent of review to agencies on 02/10/2021.
11.	Email exchange with Assessor’s Office regarding valuation of vacation area.

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12.	Compensation calculation model spreadsheet for Petitioners Sprague’s property, APN 3750602673
13.	Compensation calculation model spreadsheet for Petitioner Sherer’s property, APN 3750602694
14.	Compensation calculation model spreadsheet for Petitioner Groscost’s property, APN 3750602185
15.	Cover letter to Petitioners dated June 7, 2021, with a copy of the County Road Engineer’s Report
16.	County Road Engineer’s Report
17.	Signed easement between Rufus and Ann Sprague and PSE
18.	Signed easement between Vicki M. Brown and Ronald K Brown and PSE
19.	Signed easement between Duane Groscost and PSE
20.	Ordinance transmittal letter dated May 25, 2023, from King County Executive to Councilmember Dave Upthegrove
21.	Proposed Ordinance
22.	Declaration of Posting
23.	Confirmation of publication in the Seattle Times for Sept 6 and 13
24.	Affidavit of Publication for date of hearing – to be supplied by Clerk of the Council.

**H. ISSUES:**

Exhibit #24, Affidavit of Publication, is typically received either on the day of the hearing or shortly thereafter. The Clerk of Council will forward a copy of the affidavit to both the Examiner’s Office and Road Services Division when they receive it.

**END OF STAFF REPORT TO THE HEARING EXAMINER**

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ATTACHMENTS

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AND

EXHIBITS

2 THROUGH 23

**From:** [Yang, Amber](#)  
**To:** [Drake, Leslie](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita area  
**Date:** Friday, January 8, 2021 5:33:05 PM

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Hi Leslie,

There are gas main on the south side and elec to the north side of the ROW. PSE would need to obtain esmt. Thank you.

Amber

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**From:** Drake, Leslie <[Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 23, 2020 2:48 PM  
**To:** Right of Way -- mail -- <[RightofWay@pse.com](mailto:RightofWay@pse.com)>; Jim Biggs <[JBiggs@wavebroadband.com](mailto:JBiggs@wavebroadband.com)>; [jill\\_look@cable.comcast.com](mailto:jill_look@cable.comcast.com); [aaron\\_Cantrell@cable.comcast.com](mailto:aaron_Cantrell@cable.comcast.com); [relocations@lumen.com](mailto:relocations@lumen.com); Brian Asbury <[BAsbury@lakehaven.org](mailto:BAsbury@lakehaven.org)>; [prevention.division@southkingfire.org](mailto:prevention.division@southkingfire.org); Claussen, Kimberly <[Kimberly.Claussen@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Claussen@kingcounty.gov)>; Kulish, Michael <[Michael.Kulish@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Michael.Kulish@kingcounty.gov)>; Jackson, Robert (DNRP) <[Robert.Jackson@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Robert.Jackson@kingcounty.gov)>; Nunnenkamp, Robert <[Robert.Nunnenkamp@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Robert.Nunnenkamp@kingcounty.gov)>; McDonald, Andrew <[Andrew.McDonald@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Andrew.McDonald@kingcounty.gov)>; Carr, Trevor <[Trevor.Carr@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Trevor.Carr@kingcounty.gov)>; Ishimaru, Jim <[Jim.Ishimaru@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Jim.Ishimaru@kingcounty.gov)>; Ledbetter, Tony <[Tony.Ledbetter@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Tony.Ledbetter@kingcounty.gov)>; Eichelsdoerfer, Robert <[Robert.Eichelsdoerfer@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Robert.Eichelsdoerfer@kingcounty.gov)>; Archuleta, Wally <[Wally.Archuleta@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Wally.Archuleta@kingcounty.gov)>; Miles, Dawn <[dmiles@kingcounty.gov](mailto:dmiles@kingcounty.gov)>; Lauritzen, John M <[John.Lauritzen@kingcounty.gov](mailto:John.Lauritzen@kingcounty.gov)>; Carrasquero, Jose <[jcarrasquero@kingcounty.gov](mailto:jcarrasquero@kingcounty.gov)>; Minichillo, Tom <[Tom.Minichillo@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Tom.Minichillo@kingcounty.gov)>; Cassidy, Jon <[Jon.Cassidy@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Jon.Cassidy@kingcounty.gov)>; Scott, Todd <[Todd.Scott@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Todd.Scott@kingcounty.gov)>  
**Subject:** Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita area

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Hello,

It has been a very busy year for road vacations and we appreciate your continued support and response to our inquiries.

King County has received a request to vacate a portion of S. 372<sup>nd</sup> St./8<sup>th</sup> St of the Jovita Plat in the Auburn area of unincorporated King County. Your agency or division has been identified as a potential stakeholder in this right-of-way vacation. Therefore, your input or response to this petition is of great value in the vacation process.

This is the first notice for Road Vacation File V-2741

Please contact me if you need further information or would like additional time to complete your response. And as always, your timely response is greatly appreciated.

So please

**R.S.V.P by January 27, 2021**

Thank you

**Leslie Drake**, Road Property Program Manager | **Road Services Division**, King County Department of Local Services | 206-477-7764 | 24/7 Help Line 206-477-8100 | [maint.roads@kingcounty.gov](mailto:maint.roads@kingcounty.gov) | [www.kingcounty.gov/roads](http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads)



**From:** [Nies, Jim](#)  
**To:** [Drake, Leslie](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area  
**Date:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 4:21:53 PM

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We would typically utilize the PSE easement or work with PSE for the easement

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**From:** Drake, Leslie <Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 3:23 PM  
**To:** Nies, Jim <Jim\_Nies@cable.comcast.com>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area

Thank you.

Will Comcast reach out to the property owners to secure its own easements or work with PSE to be able to use an easement if PSE were to secure one?

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**From:** Nies, Jim <[Jim\\_Nies@comcast.com](mailto:Jim_Nies@comcast.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 5:42 PM  
**To:** Drake, Leslie <[Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area

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Comcast has facilities on the existing PSE poles, I have attached a markup of where our facilities currently are. Our intent would be to remain aerial with the other utilities.

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**From:** Drake, Leslie <[Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:59 AM  
**To:** Ishimaru, Jim <[Jim.Ishimaru@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Jim.Ishimaru@kingcounty.gov)>; Nies, Jim <[Jim\\_Nies@cable.comcast.com](mailto:Jim_Nies@cable.comcast.com)>; Martin, James (Fiber Const.) <[James\\_Martin5@cable.comcast.com](mailto:James_Martin5@cable.comcast.com)>; Brian Asbury <[BASbury@lakehaven.org](mailto:BASbury@lakehaven.org)>; Claussen, Kimberly <[Kimberly.Claussen@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Claussen@kingcounty.gov)>; Kulish, Michael <[Michael.Kulish@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Michael.Kulish@kingcounty.gov)>; Jackson, Robert (DNRP) <[Robert.Jackson@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Robert.Jackson@kingcounty.gov)>; Nunnenkamp, Robert <[Robert.Nunnenkamp@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Robert.Nunnenkamp@kingcounty.gov)>; McDonald, Andrew <[Andrew.McDonald@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Andrew.McDonald@kingcounty.gov)>; Ledbetter, Tony <[Tony.Ledbetter@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Tony.Ledbetter@kingcounty.gov)>; Miles, Dawn <[dmiles@kingcounty.gov](mailto:dmiles@kingcounty.gov)>; Carrasquero, Jose <[jcarrasquero@kingcounty.gov](mailto:jcarrasquero@kingcounty.gov)>; Minichillo, Tom <[Tom.Minichillo@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Tom.Minichillo@kingcounty.gov)>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area

Hello,

King County has received a request to vacate a portion of S. 372<sup>nd</sup> St.//8<sup>th</sup> St of the **Jovita Plat in the Auburn area** of unincorporated King County. Your agency or division has been identified as a potential stakeholder in this right-of-way vacation. Therefore, your input or response to this petition is of great value in the vacation process.

This is the second and final notice for review of Road Vacation File V-2741

Please contact me if you need further information or would like additional time to complete your response. And as always, your timely response is greatly appreciated.

So please

**R.S.V.P by March 17, 2021**

Thank you

**Leslie Drake**, Road Property Program Manager | **Road Services Division**, King County Department of Local Services | 206-477-7764 | 24/7 Help Line 206-477-8100 | [maint.roads@kingcounty.gov](mailto:maint.roads@kingcounty.gov) | [www.kingcounty.gov/roads](http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads)

ATTACHMENT 3



CenturyLink

12/6/2021

King County Department of Local Services  
ATTN: Leslie Drake  
Road Property Program Manager  
201 South Jackson Street  
Seattle, WA. 98104

V-2741  
WITH Reservations

**SUBJECT:** PROPOSED PARTIAL VACATION OF A PORTION OF SOUTH 372<sup>ND</sup> STREET (8<sup>TH</sup> STREET) LYING BETWEEN BLOCK 45 AND BLOCK 53 OF THE PLAT OF JOVITA ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN VOLUME 19 AT PAGE 14 OF PLATS, RECORDS OF THE KING COUNTY RECORDER. SITUATE IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF KING, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

**APN:** 375060-2673; 375060-2694 and 375060-2185

To Whom It May Concern:

Qwest Corporation d/b/a CENTURYLINK QC ("CenturyLink") has reviewed the request for the subject vacation and has determined that in order to protect its facilities CenturyLink must reserve its rights.

Please SAVE AND EXCEPT an EASEMENT to CenturyLink over the following area/s:

As further described and/or depicted on the attached Exhibit "A", said Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by this reference.

It is the intent and understanding of CenturyLink that this Vacation shall not reduce our rights to any other existing easement or rights we have on this site or in the area.

This vacation response is submitted WITH THE STIPULATION that if CenturyLink facilities are found and/or damaged within the vacated area as described, the Applicant will bear the cost of relocation and repair of said facilities.

Sincerely yours,



Don Twiggs  
Network Infrastructure Services  
CenturyLink  
P839568

Exhibit A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

**V-2741**

**S 372<sup>ND</sup> STREET ROAD VACATION DESCRIPTION**

ALL OF SOUTH 372<sup>ND</sup> STREET (8<sup>TH</sup> STREET) LYING BETWEEN BLOCK 45 AND BLOCK 53 OF THE PLAT OF JOVITA ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN VOLUME 19 AT PAGE 14 OF PLATS, RECORDS OF THE KING COUNTY RECORDER.

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Thomas Bros Map page 775

Zoning R4

Exhibit B

PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY VACATION V-2741

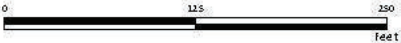


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**Vacation File: V-2741**  
 S 372nd St (8th St)  
 NW 34-21-04  
**ROW Area (Approximate):**  
 Total: 14408 FT<sup>2</sup> or 0.33 Acres



- Pending Road Vacation
- Petitioner Parcel
- Parcels
- Roadlog - Unincorporated, Maintained Streets
- King County Right of Way



FOR INFORMATIONAL USE ONLY



**From:** [Nichols, Sean](#)  
**To:** [Drake, Leslie](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita area  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 29, 2020 7:10:08 AM

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Hi Leslie,  
South King Fire and Rescue has no comment or concerns over this proposed road vacation.

Thank you!

Sean

Sean S. Nichols, CFPS  
Fire Plans Examiner  
253-946-7242  
South King Fire & Rescue  
31617 1<sup>st</sup> Ave S.  
Federal Way, WA 98003

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**From:** Drake, Leslie <Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 23, 2020 2:48 PM  
**To:** Rightofway@pse.com; Jim Biggs <JBiggs@wavebroadband.com>; jill\_Look@cable.comcast.com; aaron\_Cantrell@cable.comcast.com; relocations@lumen.com; Brian Asbury <BASbury@lakehaven.org>; Prevention <Prevention.Division@southkingfire.org>; Claussen, Kimberly <Kimberly.Claussen@kingcounty.gov>; Kulish, Michael <Michael.Kulish@kingcounty.gov>; Jackson, Robert (DNRP) <Robert.Jackson@kingcounty.gov>; Nunnenkamp, Robert <Robert.Nunnenkamp@kingcounty.gov>; McDonald, Andrew <Andrew.McDonald@kingcounty.gov>; Carr, Trevor <Trevor.Carr@kingcounty.gov>; Ishimaru, Jim <Jim.Ishimaru@kingcounty.gov>; Ledbetter, Tony <Tony.Ledbetter@kingcounty.gov>; Eichelsdoerfer, Robert <Robert.Eichelsdoerfer@kingcounty.gov>; Archuleta, Wally <Wally.Archuleta@kingcounty.gov>; Miles, Dawn <dmiles@kingcounty.gov>; Lauritzen, John M <John.Lauritzen@kingcounty.gov>; Carrasquero, Jose <jcarrasquero@kingcounty.gov>; Minichillo, Tom <Tom.Minichillo@kingcounty.gov>; Cassidy, Jon <Jon.Cassidy@kingcounty.gov>; Scott, Todd <Todd.Scott@kingcounty.gov>  
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**From:** [Claussen, Kimberly](#)  
**To:** [Drake, Leslie](#)  
**Subject:** RE: A second attempt at Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 3:04:11 PM

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Hi – Permitting Division has no objections to the proposed road vacation, subject to appropriate easements for utilities are provided as necessary. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

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**From:** Drake, Leslie <Leslie.Drake@kingcounty.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:43 AM  
**To:** Brian Asbury <BAsbury@lakehaven.org>; Claussen, Kimberly <Kimberly.Claussen@kingcounty.gov>; Ledbetter, Tony <Tony.Ledbetter@kingcounty.gov>  
**Subject:** A second attempt at Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area

Hello. Sending this one out again for comment/review.  
Thank you again for your time responding to road vacation review requests.

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**From:** Drake, Leslie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:59 AM  
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**Subject:** Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area

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February 10, 2021

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V- 2741

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Site address:	37206 40 <sup>th</sup> Ave. S.	37205 42 <sup>nd</sup> Ave S.
	Auburn	Auburn
Site Parcel Number:	375060-2673	375060-2694

Petitioners:	Duane Groscost
Site address:	37117 42 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. S.
	Auburn
Site Parcel Number:	375060-2185

REVIEWING AGENCY – Please answer the questions related to your agency and respond within 30 days of receipt of this notice.

Agency: Parks and Recreation Division Date: 2-10-21

Name: Robert Nunnenkamp Phone: 206-477-4581

1. Nature of public utilities, if any, in right-of-way?
2. Is right-of-way improved for travel?
3. Is right-of-way necessary for present or future road system, either for travel or public utilities?
4. Are easements desired? *No*

If YES, please provide an estimated date of contact with petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Note: All utilities are required to obtain their own easements prior to King County issuing a recommendation on the proposed vacation.)

5. Is right-of-way maintained?
6. Has it been maintained or county funds expended?

Do you have any additional comments?

*Parks has no objections to this request.*

What is your recommendation?

*Okay to vacate.*

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Legal Description of the Proposed Vacation area –

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

**V-2741**

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SITUATE IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF KING, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Thomas Bros Map page 775

Zoning R4

Map identifying the proposed right-of-way vacation area - Please see the attached files.

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Road Services Division  
201 South Jackson Street  
Seattle, WA 98104-3856  
MS – KSC-LS-0313  
ATTN: Leslie Drake

**ROAD VACATIONS 8-26-22**

**V-2741 (prior parks ok 2-10-21)**

Current Park or Trail improvements in vicinity	NO
Future planned Park or Trail Improvements in vicinity	NO
ROW necessary or useful for current or future trail	NO
Preserve all or portion ROW	NO
Additional comments	NO

3750602673, -2185



December 23, 2020

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Agency: King County-WTD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date:1-5-2021

Name: Trevor J. Carr RPA III \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 206-477-4207 \_\_\_\_\_

1. Nature of public utilities, if any, in right-of-way? N
  2. Is right-of-way improved for travel? N
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- If YES, please provide an estimated date of contact with petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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  8. What is your recommendation? Proceed with vacation

Do you have any additional comments?

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Seattle, WA 98104-3856  
MS – KSC-LS-0313  
ATTN: Leslie Drake



**From:** [Ishimaru, Jim](#)  
**To:** [Drake, Leslie](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita area  
**Date:** Thursday, January 7, 2021 9:03:36 AM

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Leslie, we have no long range transportation planning concerns with this road vacation. Jim

**Jim Ishimaru | Road Services Division, King County Department of Local Services | 206.477.3623**

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## RSD Road Vacations - responses

Draft

9/5/2023

	V-2741
<b>1. Is the subject road right-of-way necessary or useful as part of the present or future county road system?</b>	No to both. There are existing county-owned roads in the vicinity of this right of way that are adequate to handle existing and future traffic needs. King County does not have any future planned improvements in the vicinity of this right of way.
<b>2. Is the subject road right-of-way necessary or useful for the present or future county transportation system?</b>	No. The existing combination of local access, private, and County-owned roads in this area are adequate to meet current and future traffic needs.
<b>3. Is it advisable to preserve all or a portion of the road right-of-way for the county transportation system of the future?</b>	No. There is an adequate existing road network in this area to meet current and future needs of area residents.
<b>4. Do you have any additional comments on this possible vacation of the subject road right-of-way?</b>	No

**From:** [Eichelsdoerfer, Robert](#)  
**To:** [Drake, Leslie](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita area  
**Date:** Monday, December 28, 2020 8:35:04 AM

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Hi Leslie,

Per Google Map Street View and iMap, there are some overhead utility lines that are contained within the South 372<sup>nd</sup> Street right-of-way. If the right-of-way is vacated, there will need to be an aerial easement with the property owners for the utility lines. There may also be some underground utilities that will need easements.

KCDLS, Road Services Division, Road and Traffic Engineering Development Review staff would have no objection to this proposed road vacation.

*Robert Eichelsdoerfer, PE, Development Review and Road Variance Engineer, Road Services Division, King County Department of Local Services, 206-477-3652*

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**From:** [Korthals, David](#)  
**To:** [Wagner, Stephanie](#); [Asquith, Colin](#); [Trendler, Jody](#); [Drake, Leslie](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Second Notice of Proposed Road Vacation V-2741 in the Auburn/Jovita Area  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 17, 2021 10:35:24 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[image002.png](#)  
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[image005.png](#)

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Stephanie,

No concerns, interests, or comments.

David Korthals

Southeast District Planner - Transit Route Facilities - Mobility Division – Transit Department  
201 S. Jackson St. - MS: KSC-TR-0413 - Seattle, WA 98104-3856  
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Sincerely,

	<p><b>Stephanie Wagner</b> (<i>she/her</i>) Administrative Support II Transit Real Estate and Environmental Phone: 206-263-5814 <a href="mailto:stwagner@kingcounty.gov">stwagner@kingcounty.gov</a></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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Agency: KC DLS RSD-Survey Unit Date: 1-5-21

Name: John Lauritzen Phone: (206) 477-1457

1. Nature of public utilities, if any, in right-of-way? Appears to be overhead pole line in north portion of r/w. Not sure of extent of service on pole line and/or UG utilities in r/w.
2. Is right-of-way improved for travel? Not open for through travel-fenced along north margin and not used for access by parcels to south. Most of r/w is heavily wooded with deciduous trees and understory.
3. Is right-of-way necessary for present or future road system, either for travel or public utilities? Not needed for road connections as there is currently a street connection immediately to the south through 40<sup>th</sup> Ave S. R/W is necessary for utilities (see #1 comment above.)
4. Are easements desired? Most certainly for some utilities.  
If YES, please provide an estimated date of contact with petitioner(s) N/A  
(Please Note: All utilities are required to obtain their own easements prior to King County holding a hearing on the proposed road vacation.)
5. Is right-of-way maintained? Not currently on KC road log and appears to have never been opened as a travelled way.
6. Has it been maintained or county funds expended? Not sure\*see comment #5 above.
7. Have any Special Use Permits, Right of Way Use Permits or Franchise Agreements been issued for or regarding this right-of-way? Not sure.
8. What is your recommendation? Approve with utility easements as required.



Do you have any additional comments?

Excellent example of a street that the County should divest itself of responsibility for. The adjacent properties are fully developed and have better access to the local street system through driveways connecting to other streets. This is not cost-effective to construct a through street on this alignment whereas it represents only a liability to the County for having to clear danger trees from the wooded right-of-way that might, in the future, pose a danger to houses on the adjacent lots that are constructed without the normal set back from the street r/w. Only purpose for r/w is for utility pole line and other UG utilities (waterline?) that could be served with simple easements.

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December 23, 2020

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Site address:	37117 42 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. S. Auburn
Site Parcel Number:	375060-2185

REVIEWING AGENCY – Please answer the questions related to your agency and respond within 30 days of receipt of this notice.

Agency: RSD, Maintenance Section, Environmental Unit Date: March 4, 2021

Name: Tanner Harris Phone: 206-263-8179

1. Nature of public utilities, if any, in right-of-way?
2. Is right-of-way improved for travel?
3. Is right-of-way necessary for present or future road system, either for travel or public utilities?
4. Are easements desired? No

If YES, please provide an estimated date of contact with petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Is right-of-way maintained?
6. Has it been maintained or county funds expended?
7. Have any Special Use Permits, Right of Way Use Permits or Franchise Agreements been issued for or regarding this right-of-way?
8. What is your recommendation? The Environmental Unit has no objections to this road vacation request.

Do you have any additional comments?

No critical areas or other environmental issues present.

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Agency:       Roads Drainage       Date:       12/24/20      

Name:       Jon Cassidy       Phone:       7-2588      

1. Nature of public utilities, if any, in right-of-way? **Overhead power**
  2. Is right-of-way improved for travel?
  3. Is right-of-way necessary for present or future road system, either for travel or public utilities?
  4. Are easements desired? **Likely for utilities**
- If YES, please provide an estimated date of contact with petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Is right-of-way maintained?
  6. Has it been maintained or county funds expended?
  7. Have any Special Use Permits, Right of Way Use Permits or Franchise Agreements been issued for or regarding this right-of-way?
  8. What is your recommendation? **Vacate**

Do you have any additional comments?

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Agency: KC Historic Preservation Date: 1/25/2021

Name: Todd Scott, Preservation Planner Phone: 206-477-4545

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8. What is your recommendation? Approve vacation.

Do you have any additional comments? None

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