

## KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

### Signature Report

October 29, 2007

### Ordinance 15945

**Proposed No.** 2007-0415.2

Sponsors Gossett

1	AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of
2	SE 312th Street (also known as State Street), File V-2586,
3	Petitioner: Charles L. Brown.
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5	STATEMENT OF FACTS:
6	1. A petition has been filed requesting vacation of a portion of SE 312th
7	Street hereinafter described.
8	2. The department of transportation notified the various utility companies
9	serving the area and has been advised that easements are not required
10	within the vacation area.
11	3. The department of transportation records indicates that King County
12	has not been maintaining SE 312th Street. The records indicate that no
13	public funds have been expended for its acquisition. A critical areas
14	review will be required prior to any future development, clearing, or other
15	site alteration with the vacation area.
16	4. The department of transportation considers the subject portion of the

17	right-of-way useless as part of the county road system and believes the
18	public would benefit by the return of this unused area to the public tax
19	rolls.
20	5. The right-of-way is classified as "C-Class" and, in accordance with
21	K.C.C. 14.40.020, the compensation due King County is based on fifty
22	percent of the assessed value of the subject right-of-way, which was
23	determined from records of the department of assessments. King County
24	is in receipt of \$5,764.50 from the petitioner.
25	Due notice was given in the manner provided by law and a hearing was
26	held by the office of the hearing examiner on the 26th day of September
27	2007.
28	In consideration of the benefits to be derived from the subject vacation the
29	council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of King
30	County to grant said petition.
31	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
32	SECTION 1. The council, on the effective date of this ordinance, hereby vacates
33	and abandons that portion of SE 312th Street right-of-way (also known as State Street) as
34	conveyed to King County by the recording of the plat of C.D. Hillman's Auburndale
35	Addition to the City of Seattle, Division No. 1, recorded in Volume 13 of Plats, Page 62,
36	records of King County, Washington as described below:
37	That portion of the northerly 30 feet of Southeast 312th Street right-of-
38	way (also known as State Street) as conveyed to King County by the plat
39	of C.D. Hillman's Auburndale Addition to the City of Seattle, Division

Attachments

40 No. 1, recorded in Volume 13 of Plats, Page 62, records of King County, 41 Washington, abbutting and adjacent to the south line of Lot 1, Block 4, of 42 said plat. 43 Ordinance 15945 was introduced on 8/20/2007 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/29/2007, by the following vote: Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine No: 0 Excused: 0 KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON arry Gossett, Chair ATTEST: Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council APPROVED this 9 day of Luce 62, 2007. Ron Sims, County Executive

A. Hearing Examiner Report dated October 4, 2007

October 4, 2007

# OFFICE OF THE HEARING EXAMINER KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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#### REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY COUNCIL

SUBJECT:

King County Department of Transportation File No. V-2586

Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0415

Parcel No. 333940-0315

#### CHARLES L. BROWN

Road Vacation Petition

Location:

Portion of Southeast 312th Street (aka State Street) in the Lea

Hill/Auburn area

Petitioner:

Charles L. Brown

235 South 124th Street Seattle, Washington 98168 Telephone: (206) 375-1492

King County:

Department of Transportation, Road Services Division

represented by Nicole Keller

201 S. Jackson St.

Seattle, Washington 98104-3856 Telephone: (206) 296-3731 Facsimile: (206) 296-0567

#### **SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Department's Preliminary:

Department's Final:

Examiner's:

Approve road vacation Approve road vacation Approve road vacation

#### **DEPARTMENT'S REPORT:**

The Department of Transportation's written report to the King County Hearing Examiner for Item No. V-2586 was received by the Examiner on September 4, 2007.

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#### PUBLIC HEARING:

After reviewing the Department's Report and examining available information on file with the petition, the Examiner conducted a public hearing on the subject as follows:

The hearing on Item No. V-2586 was opened by the Examiner on September 26, 2007, in the Hearing Examiner's Conference Room, 400 Yesler Way, Seattle, WA 98104 and closed that day. Participants at the public hearing and the exhibits offered and entered are listed in the attached minutes. A verbatim recording of the hearing is available in the office of the Hearing Examiner.

<u>FINDINGS</u>, <u>CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATION</u>: Having reviewed the record in this matter, the Examiner now makes and enters the following:

#### FINDINGS:

1. General Information:

Road name and location:

Portion of Southeast 312th Street

Right of way classification:

C Class

Area:

18,900 square feet

Compensation:

\$5,764.50

- 2. Notice of hearing on the Department's report was given as required by law, and a hearing on the report was conducted by the Examiner on behalf of the Metropolitan King County Council.
- 3. Except as provided below, the Examiner adopts and incorporates herein by this reference the facts set forth in the Department's report to the Examiner for the September 26, 2007, public hearing and the statement of facts contained in Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0415. The Department's report will be attached to those copies of this report and recommendation that are submitted to the County Council.
- 4. Maps showing the vicinity of the proposed vacation and the specific area to be vacated appear in the hearing record as exhibit nos. 7 and 9.
- 5. The subject right-of-way segment is not currently opened, constructed or maintained for public use, and is not known to be used informally for access to any property.
- 6. Vacation of the right-of-way would have no adverse effect on the provision of access and fire and emergency services to the abutting subject property and surrounding area.
- 7. The right-of-way is not necessary for the present or future public road system for travel or utilities purposes.
- 8. No easements are necessary to be retained for the construction, repair and maintenance of public utilities and services.
- 9. The compensation required by law to be paid as a condition precedent to vacation of this road has been deposited with King County.

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#### **CONCLUSION:**

1. The right-of-way segment subject to this petition is useless as part of the King County road system, and the public will be benefited by its vacation.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**:

Paulette Norman

KCDOT/RD SERV.

MS KSC-TR-0231

APPROVE proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0415 to vacate the subject road right-of-way.

RECOMMENDED October 4, 2007.

Peter T. Donahue King County Hearing Examiner 3

TRANSMITTED October 4, 2007, to the following parties and interested persons:

Charles L. Brown 235 S. 124th St. Seattle 98168	City of Auburn Attn: Joe Welsh 25 W. Main St. Auburn WA 98001-4998	City of Auburn Attn: Dennis Dowdy 25 W. Main Auburn WA 98001
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MS OAK-DE-0100	MS KSC-NR-0600	MS KSC-TR-0431
David Gualtieri	Denise Hauck	Bill Hintz
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MS KSC-TR-0317	MS ADM-ES-0500	MS RSD-TR-0100
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MS KSC-NR-0700

Lydia Reynolds-Jones

KC DOT/RD SERV.

MS KSC-TR-0231

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MS BOA-EX-2000

Susan Una-Kaufman DNRP-Wastewater MS KSC-NR-0503 Kelly Whiting KC DOT, Rd. Srvcs. Div. MS KSC-TR-0231 4

## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL AND ADDITIONAL ACTION REQUIRED

In order to appeal the recommendation of the Examiner, written notice of appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the King County Council with a fee of \$250.00 (check payable to King County Office of Finance) on or before October 18, 2007. If a notice of appeal is filed, the original and six (6) copies of a written appeal statement specifying the basis for the appeal and argument in support of the appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the King County Council on or before October 25, 2007.

Filing requires actual delivery to the Office of the Clerk of the Council, Room 1025, King County Courthouse, 516 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104, prior to the close of business (4:30 p.m.) on the date due. Prior mailing is not sufficient if actual receipt by the Clerk does not occur within the applicable time period. The Examiner does not have authority to extend the time period unless the Office of the Clerk is not open on the specified closing date, in which event delivery prior to the close of business on the next business day is sufficient to meet the filing requirement.

If a written notice of appeal and filing fee are not filed within 14 days calendar days of the date of this report, or if a written appeal statement and argument are not filed within 21 calendar days of the date of this report, the Clerk of the Council shall place a proposed ordinance which implements the Examiner's recommended action on the agenda of the next available Council meeting. At that meeting, the Council may adopt the Examiner's recommendation, may defer action, may refer the matter to a Council committee, or may remand to the Examiner for further hearing or further consideration.

Action of the Council Final. The action of the Council on a recommendation of the Examiner shall be final and conclusive unless within twenty-one (21) days from the date of the action an aggrieved party or person applies for a writ of certiorari from the Superior Court in and for the County of King, State of Washington, for the purpose of review of the action taken.

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2007, PUBLIC HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, ROAD SERVICES DIVISION FILE NO. V-2586.

Peter T. Donahue was the Hearing Examiner in this matter. Participating in the hearing was Nicole Keller, representing the Department. There were no other participants.

The following exhibits were offered and entered into the record:

- Exhibit No. 2 Petition transmittal letter, dated December 11, 2006 to KC Department of Transportation, from Clerk of the Council
- Exhibit No. 3 Petitioner's cover letter dated November 30, 2006
- Exhibit No. 4 Petition for vacation of a County road including legal descriptions of Petitioners' properties
- Exhibit No. 5 Copy of filing fee, check #5819 from the Petitioners
- Exhibit No. 6 Receipt #815 for filing fee

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- Exhibit No. 7 Vicinity map
- Exhibit No. 8 King County Plat Map of C.D. Hillman's Auburndale Addition to the City of Seattle, recorded in Volume 13 of Plats, Page 62 records of King County
- Exhibit No. 9 Map depicting vacation area
- Exhibit No. 10 Letter to Charles L. Brown dated January 3, 2007 notifying him of the RSD's receipt of his petition
- Exhibit No. 11 E-mail string of final notice for the road vacation sent to agencies on March 7, 2007. Final notice response deadline was April 15, 2007
- Exhibit No. 12 Letter to Charles L. Brown dated May 11, 2007 identifying DOT's recommendation and requesting compensation
- Exhibit No. 13 Compensation worksheet
- Exhibit No. 14 Copy of the compensation check in the amount of \$5,764.50
- Exhibit No. 15 Deposit receipt No. 146666, dated May 23, 2007
- Exhibit No. 16 Transmittal letter to the Clerk of the King County Council dated May 18, 2007 providing recommendation of KCDOT and County Road Engineer
- Exhibit No. 17 Ordinance transmittal letter dated August 6, 2007 to Councilmember Larry Gossett from the King County Executive
- Exhibit No. 18 Proposed Ordinance 2007-0415
- Exhibit No. 19 Fiscal Note
- Exhibit No. 20 Notice of hearing
- Exhibit No. 21 Affidavit of posting for the hearing
- Exhibit No. 22 Affidavit of publication for the date of the hearing

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