

City of Oregon City

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Staff Report

File Number: 15-398

Agenda Date: 7/15/2015 Status: Public Hearing

To: City Commission Agenda #: 6a.

From: Public Works Director John Lewis File Type: Ordinance

SUBJECT:

Ordinance for Introduction, No. 15-1007, Vacating a Section of Haven Road Beginning at the Intersection of Leland Road and Extending Southeasterly

RECOMMENDED ACTION (Motion):

Approve the first reading of Ordinance 15-1007, vacating a portion of Haven Road, and setting a second reading at the City Commission meeting on August 5, 2015.

BACKGROUND:

Haven Road was created by the Leland Haven subdivision plat as a 50-foot wide public street and is shown on City maps as an extension of Prospector Terrace. The full 50-foot wide section of ROW has a pedestrian pathway instead of a full street section and has been closed to vehicular traffic since the early 2000's.

Craig and Debbie DeRusha, the owners of the vacant lot (Tax Map 3-2E-07DB, Tax Lot 200) located on the southeasterly corner of Leland Road and Prospector Terrace, have applied for and paid required fees to seek the vacation of this section of ROW as a means to further develop this vacant property into two, 8,000 square foot single family residential lots and to enhance the unimproved ROW adjacent to their lot.

Staff agrees that this area should remain closed to through vehicular traffic because:

- 1) The traffic demands do not warrant a through street connection at this location.
- 2) The addition of an intersecting through street at this location would provide an unsafe, offset geometric intersection between Lot Whitcomb Drive and Prospector Terrace at Leland Road.
- 3) The neighborhood cut through traffic associated with a future street connection would upset a relatively quiet and long established neighborhood.
- 4) The vacated ROW would provide the property needed to support two, 8,000 square foot single family parcels instead of one.
- 5) The neighborhood has full street connections at Carmelita Place and Leland Road and at Willis Drive and Meyers Road.

At the June 17, 2015 meeting of the City Commission, the Commission authorized the execution of Resolution No. 15-21 calling for the vacation of this portion of ROW. Adoption of Ordinance 15-1007 is necessary to enact the vacation of the section of Haven Road which

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begins at Leland Road and extends southeasterly to Prospector Terrace.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Amount: N/A FY(s): N/A

Funding Source: N/A