

# **Whatcom County**

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## **Agenda Bill Master Report**

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#### **TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:**

Department

Resolution vacating a portion of Wynn Road

### **SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:**

The attached resolution vacating a portion of Wynn Road is submitted per RCW 36.87 and WCC 12-20. The County Engineer's report has been prepared and is being submitted in favor of this road vacation. A public hearing will need to be scheduled

#### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:			Action:	Sent To:
04/26/2022	Council			INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING	Council
		Aye:	7	Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Fra	zey, Galloway, and Kershner
		Nay:	0		
		Absent:	0		
05/24/2022	Council			APPROVED	
		Aye:	7	Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Fra	zey, Galloway, and Kershner
		Nay:	0		
		Absent:	0		

Attachments: Memo, Resolution, Engineer's Report, Petition, Market Analysis, Assessor Map, Aerial Map, Fact

SPONSORED BY: _						
PROPOSED BY:	Public Works					
INTRODUCTION DATE: 4/26/22						

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-026

#### A RESOLUTION VACATING A PORTION OF WYNN ROAD

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2021, Jody and Alan Kennedy ("Applicant") submitted a petition for the vacation of a portion of Wynn Road lying within the unincorporated area of Whatcom County, accompanied by the penal sum of \$790.00; and,

WHEREAS, as described in RCW 36.87.010, when a county road or any part thereof is considered useless, the Whatcom County Council may declare by resolution its intention to formally consider vacation; and

WHEREAS, the County Council voted 7-0 on August 10, 2021, to consider this vacation request and directed the County Engineer's office to report; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer's office has reviewed the portion of the street which is a Class B-1 right-of-way, wherein no public expenditures were made or they are non-ascertainable from records, and no part thereof lies in any plat, and in the exercise of his judgment has determined that the public will benefit from said vacation; and

WHEREAS, it is unknown if there are public utilities located within the portion of the right-of-way to be vacated, but an easement for said utilities will be retained by the County, and

WHEREAS, the fair market value has been determined to be \$0.29 per square foot for the approximately 39,600 square feet of Wynn Road Right of Way, making the total value of the area to be vacated \$11,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has reviewed said compensation and determined it to be fair value; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has met all of the petition requirements, as set forth by Chapter 12.20 Whatcom County Code, and all other applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has six calendar months from the date of the Preliminary Order of Vacation to pay any remaining fees to the Whatcom County Council office, which checks should be made payable to the Whatcom County Treasurer, prior to the vacation becoming effective, including but not limited to the appraised value of the area sought to be vacated; and

WHEREAS, this vacation does not become effective until the fees are paid and the Final Order and Resolution are recorded with the County Auditor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is the intention of the Whatcom County Council to vacate the following described right of way:

That portion of Wynn Road adjacent to Lot 23, and Lot 24, Plat of Alder Grove, recorded in Volume 2 of Plats, Page 91, Section 4, Township 38 North, Range 2 East, W.M as described within Whatcom County Auditor's File number 172865. Situate in Whatcom County, Washington.

SUBJECT TO and/or together with all easements, covenants, restrictions, and/or agreements of record or otherwise; and

SUBJECT TO an easement retained by the County in respect to the vacated portion of right-ofway for the construction, repair, and maintenance of any and all public utilities and services, now located on or in the vacated portion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon Applicants' completion of payment for the property and of all other fees, a Final Order of Vacation shall be prepared by Council Staff, signed by the appropriate parties, and recorded with the County Auditor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the conditions set forth above are not fulfilled within six months from the date of the passage of this Resolution, the Preliminary Order of Vacation which is hereby authorized shall be withdrawn, and the right-of-way shall not be deemed to have been vacated.

APPROVED this 1224th day of May , 2022

Christopher Quinn
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

(authorized via email 4/13/2022)

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY,

Todd Donovan, Council Chair