


EVERETT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

PROJECT TITLE:

Resolution concerning
compensation for the vacation
of streets and alleys, amending
Resolution No. 3147 as
amended

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COUNCIL BILL # _____
Originating Department Administration
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FOR AGENDA OF July 10, 2019

Initialed by:
Department Head _____
CAA _____
Council President 

<u>Location</u>	<u>Preceding Action</u>	<u>Attachments</u>	<u>Department(s) Approval</u>
N/A	Resolution 5083 Adoption – 8/1/01	Proposed Resolution	Administration, Legal

Amount Budgeted	-0-	
Expenditure Required		Account Number(s):
Budget Remaining	-0-	
Additional Required	-0-	

DETAILED SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Resolution 3147 as amended by Resolution 5083 guides the process for the vacation of streets and alleys. A vacation is an action, to be approved by Council, which transfers city ownership in exchange for public benefit. That benefit is typically two-fold. One, the City receives monetary compensation and two, the result of the vacation is that property that served as City right of way is placed on the tax roll.

At the May 15, 2019 Council meeting, staff presented an overview of Resolution No. 5083, the policy outcomes since its adoption in 2001 and options regarding how the resolution might be updated. At the June 19, 2019 Council Government Subcommittee, additional discussion took place regarding the resolution's potential update. The Government Subcommittee, at the conclusion of its discussion, requested that an updated resolution be prepared for full Council consideration, incorporating budgetary and candidate projects' identification guidelines presented by staff at the May 15, 2019 Council meeting.

The proposed resolution would amend Resolution No. 5083 by adding a requirement that as part of the city's annual budget development process, staff identify available funding consistent with the current resolution and submit a projects' list eligible for such funding. Additionally, guidelines are added for staff to use in identifying eligible projects.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a Resolution concerning compensation for the vacation of streets and alleys, amending Resolution No. 3147 as amended.



RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION concerning Compensation for the Vacation of Streets and Alleys, amending Resolution No.3147 as amended

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 5083 was passed and approved by the City Council on August 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 5083 is a resolution concerning compensation for the vacation of streets and alleys, amending Resolution 3147; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 5083 amended section 1 of Resolution 3147 to include the requirement that “one-half of the revenue received as compensation for the area vacated must be dedicated to the acquisition, improvement, development and related maintenance of public open space or transportation capital projects within the City”; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that additional policy guidance is needed to identify qualifying public open space and transportation capital projects that are eligible for funding from one-half of the revenue received as compensation for the area vacated; and

WHEREAS, the intent of this resolution is to amend Resolution 3147, as amended, to provide additional policy guidance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVERETT that Resolution No. 3147, as amended by Resolution No. 5083, is amended by the addition of the following :

Section 7:

- a) That beginning with the 2020 City of Everett budget preparation process and continuing with each successive budget preparation process cycle, the budget shall identify, at a minimum, accumulated funding from that portion of street and alley vacations available for open space and/or transportation capital projects within the City consistent with this resolution.
- b) That beginning with the 2020 City of Everett budget preparation process and continuing with each successive budget preparation process cycle, the budget shall identify a prioritized list of open space and/or transportation capital projects to be wholly or partially funded through the use of funds accumulated from that portion of street and alley vacations consistent with this resolution.
- c) That the following guidelines be utilized to identify the list of open space and/or transportation capital projects:
 1. Seek a balanced list that contains both open space and transportation capital projects;

2. Seek a balanced geographic distribution of open space and transportation capital projects within the City;
3. Prioritize capital projects that include both an open space and transportation elements such as providing safe access pedestrian access to open space;
4. Seek to leverage projects identified in the City's adopted Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the City's adopted Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan;
5. Seek to maintain a year-end fund balance no less than 20% of funds available for open space and transportation capital projects; and
6. Account for imminent development that might result in a project that would otherwise be included on a prioritized list of open space and/or transportation capital projects.

Councilmember introducing resolution

Passed and approved this ____ day of _____, 2019.

Council President

