



Committee of the Whole

Jim Martin

Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2026-1005
Ordinance: 26-015

Type:

- Contract
 Board Appt.
 Code Amendment
 Budget Action
 Other

Requested Handling:

- Normal
 Expedite
 Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
 Other
 N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
 Do Not Approve
 N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
 No
 N/A

Subject: Proposed vacation and abandonment of unopened Snohomish County Road Right-of-Way – portion of 136th Street SW.

Scope: The proposed ordinance would vacate approximately 1,326 square feet of deeded unopened right-of-way for 136th St SW, located in that portion of Fourth Avenue in Section 32, Township 28 North, Range 4 East of the Willamette Meridian. The County Engineer has prepared the required Engineer's Report and recommends conditional approval.

Authority Granted: RCW 36.87.060 and SCC 13.100.060 the Snohomish County Council shall hold a public hearing to consider the County Engineer's report and to hear public testimony.

Background: On May 12, 2025, the Department of Public Works received a petition to vacate unopened County ROW, 136th St SW, from Vijay and Anju Auluck. 136th St SW was formerly known as Fourth Avenue from the original Plat of Hillman's North Seattle Puget Sound Front Meadowdale Addition. In 1993 property owners of Lots 61, 62, and Tract 25 petitioned the County to vacate 136th St SW, and in January, 1995 the vacation was granted by Ordinance 94-130. In 2013, the property owner of Lot 39 petitioned the County to vacate a portion of 136th St SW abutting his property, and the petition was granted under Ordinance 13-103.

Recommendations:

1. Based on the findings in the Engineers Report, DWP has determined that the public will benefit by the vacation and abandonment of this portion of road ROW and that the ROW should be vacated and abandoned.
2. It is not advisable to preserve all or a portion of the ROW for the County transportation system for the future.
3. DPW recommends that the Vacation Petition 25 107442 RWE for the vacation of ROW for a portion of 136th Street SW, described in the attached Exhibits to the accompanying Ordinance, is in the best interest of the public and should be granted based on the recommended conditions:

Conditions:

1. All associated costs, as per SCC 13.100.070 and SCC 13.100.080, shall be paid: \$7,000.00.
2. The petitioner shall be responsible for the advertising and recording fees: estimated \$610.00.
3. Failure to make payment of the compensation required under SCC 13.100.070 and SCC 13.100.080 within one year of the date of the ordinance is approved by the County Council will result in the Ordinance not being recorded and the portion of 136th Street SW petition to be vacated shall not be considered vacated as per SCC 13.100.080(4).

Requested Action: For Council to set time and date for a Public Hearing.