



City Council

Approval of Utility and Ingress/Egress Easement with the Olympia School District

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Issue:

The City needs to update the Woodcrest sanitary sewer lift station, which is located on Olympia School District property. An additional easement is needed so that City staff can enter the property for ongoing operation and maintenance of the lift station, as well as to complete needed updates.

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager's Recommendation:

Move to approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the Utility Easement with the Olympia School District No. 111, property owner at 3100 Cain Road SE.

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item

Background and Analysis:

The Woodcrest Lift Station is located near Washington Middle School off of Sherwood Drive in southeast Olympia. Originally constructed in 1967, the lift station is in need of updates in order to operate efficiently.

The City currently has an easement from the Olympia School District to access the lift station and pipes, however, the current road does not fall within this easement. In order to gain access to the site to complete the necessary updates, as well as on-going operation and maintenance the lift station, an additional easement area is needed.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

- The lift station serves approximately twenty-one homes in the area as well as Washington Middle School. An easement ensures City staff has access to the lift station to complete ongoing maintenance, and to respond in an emergency.
- The expanded easement area will eliminate confusion about access and maintenance

responsibilities between the City and the Olympia School District.

Options:

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the Utility Easement with the Olympia School District No. 111, property owner at 3100 Cain Road SE.
 - a. Will be able to finalize the project as originally planned.
 - b. City staff will be able to properly access the lift station to complete ongoing operation and maintenance duties.

2. Do not approve the Utility Easement.
 - a. The City will incur the cost of constructing a new access road.
 - b. The City will need to redesign the updates, increasing the cost to the project.

Financial Impact:

Since there is mutual benefit, the additional easement is being provided for valuable consideration. There is no financial impact to the City.