



City Council

Approval of Resolution Recommending Setting Aside Right of Way for Future City Owned Ashton Woods Property

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Purchase and Dedication of Real Estate for Right of Way Purposes in Conjunction with the Purchase of the Trillium/Ashton Woods Property from SSHI, LLC dba D.R. Horton Seattle Division.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve a Resolution authorizing the purchase and dedication of right of way across and through the Trillium/Ashton Woods property for the future Log Cabin Road Extension.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

The City of Olympia has entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement to acquire the Trillium/Ashton Woods property from SSHI, LLC dba D.R. Horton Seattle Division for public open space. On April 19, 2016, Council received a briefing on the need for the Log Cabin Road Extension. Public Works staff presented computer visualizations of different widths to show how a future road might look. The most narrow road width, sixty (60) feet, would have the least impact upon the property being acquired from D.R. Horton in an area commonly referred to as LBA Woods (Trillium/Ashton Woods).

The right of way needed for the future Log Cabin Road Extension is 1.91 acres, more or less, through

the property being acquired by the City from D.R. Horton. Public Works staff recommends using transportation impact fees in the amount of \$129,142 towards the City's purchase of the Trillium/Ashton Woods property for purchase of the portion of property needed for future public right of way.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

There is community interest in preserving and acquiring the area commonly referred to as LBA Woods (Trillium/Ashton Woods) as open space and for parks use. The future Log Cabin Road Extension project would build a road through a portion of this property. Community reaction was positive to a narrower roadway option.

Options:

1. Approve the Resolution to use transportation impact fees to purchase a portion of the Trillium/Ashton Woods property for future right of way required for the Log Cabin Road Extension. Upon acquiring title to the property, the City will promptly file and record with the Thurston County Auditor a Deed for Right of Way Dedication for future roadway purposes.

2. Do not approve the use of transportation impact fees to purchase a portion of the Trillium/Ashton Woods property for future right of way required for the Log Cabin Road Extension. Purchasing right of way in the future will be more expensive and require a more complicated real estate transaction.

Financial Impact:

Per Public Works there is currently \$10,958 of mitigation fees in the Log Cabin Road Extension project for the right of way purchase, which must be supplemented with additional funding from transportation impact fees in the sum of \$118,184 to provide the \$129,142 necessary for the required right of way at closing.

Attachments:

Resolution with EXHIBIT "A" attached.