

City of Culver City, California
City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: October 13, 2008		Item Number: <u>A-8</u>	
AGENDA ITEM: Adoption of a Resolution of Intention to Vacate a Portion of Wrightcrest Drive Between the Intersection of Wright Terrace and Wrightcrest Drive, Adjoining the Rear of Properties Located at 6020 and 6030 Wright Terrace and Set a Public Hearing for November 24, 2008.			
Contact Person/Dept.: Andy O'Connell/PW		Phone Number: (310) 253-5606	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☒ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☐	
Public Notification: Master E-Mail Notification List e-mailed on (10/08/08). Robert and Rosemary Edmeads and Myreon and Jennifer Hodur, as applicants by phone on September 30, 2008. Postcard Notices were mailed to all residents and occupants within a 500 foot radius of the project site, extended to the end of the block, on September 29, 2008.			
Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (10/02/08)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (10/07/08)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (10/08/08)		City Manager Approval: Jerry B. Fulwood (10/08/08)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council adopt a Resolution of Intention to vacate a portion of Wrightcrest Drive between the intersection of Wright Terrace and Wrightcrest Drive and its southerly terminus, adjoining the rear of properties located at 6020 and 6030 Wright Terrace and set a public hearing for November 24, 2008. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> This portion of Wrightcrest Drive is 20 feet in width and was dedicated as a street easement on Tract Map No. 24413, as recorded on August 30, 1960. The street extends approximately 100 feet southerly from the intersection of Wrightcrest Drive and Wright Terrace and ends at the property currently owned by the Los Angeles County Parks Department. Since the adjoining property will be developed as a Los County Park, it is highly unlikely that this portion of Wrightcrest Drive will be extended in the future. Properties that abut this portion of Wrightcrest on its easterly side are the rear of two residential lots at 6020 and 6030 Wright Terrace. The property that abuts this street on its westerly side is owned by the California State Parks Department. There are no properties that need access from this portion of Wrightcrest Drive. The only known utility within this street is a Southern California Edison pole that has power lines extending southerly beyond the end of the street onto the adjoining Los Angeles County Parks Department's property. All utility companies will be formally notified if the City Council adopts the Resolution of Intention to Vacate.			

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DISCUSSION:

A petition to vacate the aforementioned portion of Wrightcrest Drive was submitted by the property owners of 6020 and 6030 Wright Terrace. The reason stated for the request is that it has become an attractive nuisance for late night parking and other activities. The property owners were required to obtain a Title Report for this portion of Wrightcrest Drive and Fidelity National Title Company and it was determined that these property owners own the underlying fee to this portion of Wrightcrest Drive. Exhibits "A" and "B" of the Resolution of Intention contain the legal description and plat of the portion of Wrightcrest Drive to be vacated.

Since this street will not be extended in the future; it is not needed for driveway access to any adjoining lot; and there are no major utilities located within the street limits, it is therefore recommended by staff that this portion of Wrightcrest Drive is no longer needed for the public use.

Tonight, the City Council is requested to adopt a resolution setting the date of the public hearing during which the City Council may consider the question of vacating the alley right-of-way.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The vacation of this portion of Wrightcrest Drive will result in a small reduction in the City's cost while eliminating the City's liability for street maintenance. Additionally, the vacation will revert this portion of Wrightcrest Drive to private property which will slightly increase the property taxes to the adjoining lots.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Petition June 25, 2007
2. Letter from property owners dated August 21, 2008
3. Resolution of Intention that includes Exhibits "A" and "B"

MOTION:

That the City Council:

Adopt a Resolution of Intention to vacate a portion of Wrightcrest Drive between the intersection of Wright Terrace and Wrightcrest Drive and its southerly terminus, which adjoins the rear of those lots located at 6020 and 6030 Wright

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Terrace, as shown on attached Exhibits "A" and "B" and set a Public Hearing to consider such vacation for November 24, 2008.