



## Staff Report – Ordinance

February 2, 2026 Council Regular Meeting

Ordinance No. 26-001 Providing for the Vacation of a Portion of SE Bybee Road

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Time Estimate: 5 minutes

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**BACKGROUND:** In October 2024 the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (LDS) submitted a complete vacation request packet for the existing (SE Bybee Road) alignment. LDS owns all adjoining property to the requested vacation area. LDS submitted construction drawings for the new alignment of Bybee Road (NW Bybee Road) as specified in the Camas Comprehensive Plan and current TIF Study Update. NW Bybee Road aligns with Fisher Creek Drive at the existing traffic signal on NW 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Construction of the new NW Bybee Road has progressed and is now open to traffic. LDS has now dedicated the NW Bybee Road right-of-way and relocated all utilities outside the SE Brady Road alignment. The existing SE Bybee Road may now be abandoned.

**SUMMARY:** Staff finds that, since the new roadway alignment is dedicated and constructed and all utilities are relocated therein, there is no need for the City to continue to possess the existing SE Brady Road right-of-way. The process for a right-of-way vacation is as follows:

- Introduce the vacation request to Council in a Workshop (February 18, 2025).
- The following steps are required Per RCW 35.79:
  - Adopt a resolution to set a public hearing date between 20 and 60 days from the resolution date (May 5, 2025).
  - Hold a public hearing – June 16, 2025.
- Adopt an ordinance to vacate the right-of-way – *recommended February 2, 2026*
- Record the ordinance with the Clark County Assessor's Office.

**BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY:** The construction of the new alignment provides for a safer and more versatile transportation corridor. There are curbs, a left turn refuge, bike lanes and sidewalks added in the new alignment as well as stormwater collection and treatment.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** This work aligns with the Strategic Plan Goal of Stewardship of City Assets.

**POTENTIAL CHALLENGES:** None.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** The new roadway alignment has been dedicated and built by LDS. Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) credits are available for the construction of the new alignment.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends Council adopt Ordinance No. 26-001 and it be published according to law.