



Staff Report – Public Hearing

November 17, 2025 Council Regular Meeting

Public Hearing Considering the Vacation of NE Everett Street

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Time Estimate: 10 minutes

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BACKGROUND: In August 2024 the Camas voters passed a bond measure for a new Fire Station 41. The best siting for this new fire station is the City annex building property located at the southwest corner of NE 4th Avenue and NE Everett Street. To provide adequate space for the footprint of this new building, NE Everett Street from NE 3rd Avenue to NE 4th Avenue will need to be vacated.

SUMMARY: The Fire Station 41 project team has submitted a vacation petition for NE Everett Street from the north right-of-way line of NE 3rd Avenue to the south right-of-way line of NE 4th Avenue. The schedule for this vacation process is as follows:

- October 6, 2025 – Introduce Vacation Petition to Council - *done*
- October 20, 2025 – Resolution Adoption to Set the Public Hearing Date - *done*
- **November 17, 2025 – Public Hearing**
- December 1, 2025 – Vacation Ordinance - *pending Council determination after public hearing*

STRATEGIC PLAN: This project aligns with the strategic plan's "Safe & Accessible Community" priority by supporting the construction of a modern Fire Station to ensure timely emergency response, maintain service levels as the community grows, and enhance overall public safety.

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES: Natural gas and overhead utility easements through the proposed vacation area will be reserved. There will be no motorized public vehicular through traffic on this block. Soon staff will bring to Council information regarding traffic circulation and the mitigation of public and private parking spaces that will be lost.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff Recommends Council hold the public hearing, take public testimony, and direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to vacate NE Everett Street.