## **CITY OF LYNDEN**

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



Meeting Date:	July 15, 2019	
Name of Agenda Item:	Ordinance No. 1584 Public Hearing for Vacation of Right of Way Between 135 and	
	136 Terrace Drive and Utility Easement Agreement	
Section of Agenda:	Public Hearing	
Department:	Public Works	
Council Committee Review:		Legal Review:
☐ Community Developme	ent    Public Safety	⊠ Yes - Reviewed
☐ Finance	⊠ Public Works	☐ No - Not Reviewed
☐ Parks	☐ Other:	☐ Review Not Required
Attachments:		
1) Ordinance No. 1584 to Vacate a portion of Terrace Drive		
2) Map of Portion to be Vacated		
3) Easement Agreement for City Access and Utilities		
Summary Statement:		

The City of Lynden, at the request of adjacent property owners, is proposing to vacate the southern section of Terrace Drive.

The City has determined that future development to be served by this 24-foot-wide unimproved right-of-way will be limited to only three lots, that the portion to be vacated is not needed by the City, and that the public is best served with the described rights-of-way in private ownership. The right-of-way will not be extended beyond the currently approved Van Dragt short plat or serve as a connector to other more streets because it abuts the floodplain.

As such, staff recommend that the City Council accept the appraised value of \$1500.00 as of May 24, 2019 determined by certified appraiser Peter Suni and vacate the identified portion of Terrace Drive on the condition that the City be granted easement rights (attached) and that a private access easement and maintenance agreement be established between the property owners of Lots 15 and 16 of the Plat of Mountain View and property owners of the Van Dragt Short Plat.

## **Recommended Action:**

That City Council Approve Ordinance No. 1584 Approving the Vacation of Right of Way Between lots 135 and 136 Terrace Drive, accepting the appraised value, approve the Access and Utility Easement to the City, and authorize the Mayor to sign the documents upon verification of private access easement with the Van Dragt Short Plat.