

**PETERSBURG BOROUGH, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION #2023-18**

**A RESOLUTION TO VACATE AND CONVEY A PORTION OF THE RAMONA  
STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY BETWEEN NORTH NORDIC DRIVE  
AND VALKYRIE STREET AND AUTHORIZE ACQUISITION OF LOT 10A  
AND A 20' UTILITY EASEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, a majority of the property owners along the subject right-of-way applied to vacate a portion of Ramona Street between North Nordic Drive and Valkyrie Street; and

**WHEREAS**, proper notice was sent to adjacent property owners and a public hearing was held on November 14, 2023, by the Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission considered comments from borough staff and the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission determined the right-of-way has no value to the municipality and approved vacation of a portion of the Ramona Street right-of-way as part of the approval of the Swanson Subdivision (attached); and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission recommends, as allowed by code, and requested by the surrounding property owner, the portion of the public right-of-way vacated be attached in its entirety to Lot 10, USS 1252A to create Lot 10B; and

**WHEREAS**, the borough assessor has determined the full and true assessed value of the vacated portion of the Ramona Street right-of-way to be \$59,200; and

**WHEREAS**, PMC 18.30.040(E) authorizes the Assembly to approve terms and conditions for purchase of a street right-of-way other than payment of the full and true assessed value; and

**WHEREAS**, the borough requires Lot 10A and a 20' utility easement across Lot 10B to proceed with rebuilding of Pump Station #4; and

**WHEREAS**, the assessor has determined the full and true value of Lot 10A to be \$25,000.00 and of the 20' utility easement to be \$5,300.00 for a total of \$30,300.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of not acquiring Lot 10A and the 20' utility easement would be in excess of \$100,000 and place an additional burden on rate payers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission recommends, as required by code, that within 18-months of approval, the applicants present a final plat, signed by all property owners of record, depicting the vacation, as approved for signature and recording.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Petersburg Borough Assembly authorizes the Borough Manager to:

- a. Execute documents necessary to vacate and convey a portion of the Ramona Street right-of-way per the Swanson Subdivision plat as approved by the Planning Commission.
- b. Execute documents necessary for the borough to acquire Lot 10A and a 20' utility easement along the southern property line of Lot 10B per the Swanson Subdivision plat approved by the Planning Commission.

**PASSED AND APPROVED by the Petersburg Borough Assembly on December 18, 2023.**

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**Mark Jensen, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Debra K. Thompson, Borough Clerk**