

**PETERSBURG BOROUGH, ALASKA
RESOLUTION #2025-06**

**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 December 10, 2024, 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 1A, USS 1252A to create Lot 1AA; 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, borough code requires that within 18-months of approval, the applicants present the 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 March 17, 2025.

Mark Jensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra K. Thompson, Borough Clerk