LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Street Vacation Order and Interdepartmental Property Transfer - 1236 Carroll Avenue - Fire Department Fire Training Facility]

Ordinance ordering the vacation of portions of Hawes Street, Griffith Street, and Bancroft Avenue for the development of the San Francisco Fire Department Training Facility at 1236 Carroll Avenue; reserving public utility and access rights in favor of the City and easement rights for existing PG&E overhead electrical facilities; approving the interdepartmental transfer of the street vacation area from Public Works to the Fire Department; authorizing official acts in connection with this Ordinance; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

Existing Law

California Streets and Highways Code sections 8300 et seq. and Public Works Code section 787(a) govern the process for the vacation of City streets and public service easements.

Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would order the vacation of portions of Hawes Street, Griffith Street, and Bancroft Avenue ("Vacation Area"), while reserving public utility and access rights in favor of the City and easement rights for existing PG&E overhead electrical facilities. In addition, notwithstanding the requirements of Administrative Code Chapter 23, the ordinance would approve the interdepartmental property transfer of the Vacation Area from Public Works to the Fire Department.

Background Information

Public Works recommends that the Board of Supervisors ("Board") approve the vacation of the Vacation Area to facilitate the future development of the San Francisco Fire Department ("Fire Department") training facility at 1236 Carroll Avenue ("Project"), which will consolidate and replace the fire department training facilities currently located at 649 Avenue N on Treasure Island and at 2310 Folsom Street in San Francisco. The Project will provide necessary training facilities for effective firefighting, including live-fire training, classroom training, equipment training, and other forms of training.

In addition, the Board will be asked to approve a separate ordinance, which would amend the Zoning Map of the San Francisco Planning Code and the height and bulk district designations of portions of the Project site prior to the effective date of the vacation of the Vacation Area and the interdepartmental transfer of the Vacation Area to the Fire Department.

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