

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

October 23, 2007

Ordinance 15941

Proposed No. 2006-0371.2 Sponsors Phillips and Gossett AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 1 2 320th Avenue NE, File V-2525; Petitioners: Warren Moon 3 of The Awareness Society, Paul Martin and Sandra 4 Grumman. 5 6 STATEMENT OF FACTS: 7 1. A petition has been filed requesting vacation of a portion of 320th 8 Avenue NE hereinafter described. 9 2. The department of transportation notified the various utility companies 10 serving the area and has been advised that easements have either been 11 obtained or are not required within the vacation area. 12 3. The department of transportation records indicates that King County 13 has not been maintaining 320th Avenue NE. The records indicate that no 14 public funds have been expended for its acquisition. 15 4. The department of transportation considers the subject portion of the 16 right of way useless as part of the King County road system and believes

17	the public would benefit by the return of this unused area to the public tax
18	rolls.
19	5. The right of way is classified as "C-Class" and, in accordance with
20	K.C.C. 14.40.020, the compensation due King County is based on fifty
21	percent of the assessed value of the subject right of way, which was
22	determined from records of the department of assessments. King County
23	is in receipt of \$4,988.75 from the petitioners.
24	6. The petitioner has provided an access and utility easement over the
25	subject vacation area. The easement was recorded under Recording No.
26	20070717000641, records of King County, Washington.
27	Due notice was given in the manner provided by law and a hearing was
28	held by the office of the hearing examiner on the 18th day of October
29	2006.
30	In consideration of the benefits to be derived from the subject vacation the
31	council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of King
32	County to grant said petition.
33	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
34	SECTION 1. The council, on the effective date of this ordinance, hereby vacates
35	and abandons that portion of 320th Avenue NE as conveyed to King County by the
86	recording of the Plat of Cherry Gardens Division No. 3, recorded in Volume 22 of Plats,
37	Page 26, records of King County, Washington as described below:
8	That portion of 320th Avenue NE sixty foot right of way, abutting and
9	adjacent to the west lines of Tracts 188 and 189 of the Plat of Cherry

40 Gardens Division No. 3, recorded in Volume 22 of Plats, Page 26, records 41 of King County, Washington. 42 Ordinance 15941 was introduced on 1/16/2007 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/22/2007, by the following vote: Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Constantine No: 0 Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON arry Gossett, Chair ATTEST: Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council APPROVED this 2 day of NUCLABER 2007. Ron Sims, County Executive Attachments A. Hearing Examiner Report dated September 26, 2007

OFFICE OF THE HEARING EXAMINER KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: King County Department of Transportation File No. V-2525

Proposed Ordinance No. 2006-0371

Parcel Nos. 155000-0630, 155000-0620, 155000-0640, 155000-0643

THE AWARENESS SOCIETY

Road Vacation Petition

Location: Portion of 320th Avenue Northeast (aka Cedar Road)

Petitioner: The Awareness Society

c/o Warren Moon

26425 Allen Street, Ste. 203 Duvall, Washington 98019 Telephone: (425) 788-1301

King County: Department of Transportation,

Road Services Division, represented by

Nicole Keller 201 S. Jackson St.

Seattle, Washington 98104-3856 Telephone: (206) 296-3731 Facsimile: (206) 296-0567

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department's Preliminary: Approve road vacation

Department's Final: Approve road vacation with revised easement finding

Examiner's: Approve road vacation with revised easement finding

DEPARTMENT'S REPORT:

The Department of Transportation's written report to the King County Hearing Examiner for Item No. V-2525 was received by the Examiner on August 30, 2006.

PUBLIC HEARING:

After reviewing the Department's Report and examining available information on file with the petition, the Examiner conducted a public hearing on the subject as follows:

The hearing on Item No. V-2525 was opened by the Examiner on October 18, 2006, in the Hearing Examiner's Conference Room, 400 Yesler Way, Seattle, WA 98104. The hearing was continued administratively for receipt of revised ordinance language and a copy of a acceptable access and utility easement, which were received in complete acceptable form on August 20, 2007. Participants at the public hearing and the exhibits offered and entered are listed in the attached minutes. A verbatim recording of the hearing is available in the office of the Hearing Examiner.

<u>FINDINGS</u>, <u>CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATION</u>: Having reviewed the record in this matter, the Examiner now makes and enters the following:

FINDINGS:

1. General Information:

Road name and location:

Portion of 320th Avenue Northeast (aka Cedar Road)

Right of way classification:

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Area:

34,538 square feet

Compensation:

\$4,988.75

- 2. The Notice of Hearing on the Department's report was given as required by law, and a hearing on the report was conducted by the Examiner on behalf of the Metropolitan King County Council.
- 3. Except as provided below, the Examiner adopts and incorporates herein by this reference the facts set forth in the Department's report to the Examiner for the October 18, 2006, public hearing and the statement of facts contained in Proposed Ordinance No. 2006-0371. The Department's report will be attached to those copies of this report and recommendation that are submitted to the County Council.
- 4. Maps showing the vicinity of the proposed vacation and the specific area to be vacated appear in the hearing record as exhibit nos. 7 and 9.
- 5. The subject right-of-way is not currently opened, constructed or maintained for public use, and is not known to be used informally for access to any property.
- 6. The Petitioner and other grantors have executed and recorded a private access and utility easement to the adjoining Chen property to provide for sufficient access and utility provision in lieu of the right-of-way requested to be vacated.
- 7. Vacation of the right-of-way would have no adverse effect on the provision of access and fire and emergency services to the abutting subject property and surrounding area.

- 8. An easement to Puget Sound Energy necessary to be retained for the construction, repair and maintenance of its utility facilities has been granted and recorded. No other easements are necessary to be retained for the construction, repair and maintenance of public utilities and services.
- 9. The right-of-way is not necessary for the present or future public road system for travel or utilities purposes.
- 10. The compensation required by law to be paid as a condition precedent to vacation of this road has been deposited with King County.

CONCLUSION:

1. The right-of-way segment subject to this petition is useless as part of the King County road system, and the public will be benefited by its vacation.

RECOMMENDATION:

MS KSC-TR-0231

APPROVE proposed Ordinance No. 2006-0371 to vacate the subject road right-of-way.

RECOMMENDED September 26, 2007.

Peter T. Donahue King County Hearing Examiner

MS KSC-NR-0600

TRANSMITTED September 26, 2007, to the following parties and interested persons:

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Comcast, Inc.	King County Water District	Millennium Digital Media
Attn: Dianne Albright	Attn: Astrid Perry	Attn: Larry Maley
1525 - 75th St. SW, Ste. 200	11106 - 318th Pl. NE	4316 S. 104th Pl.
Everett WA 98203	Carnation WA 98014	Seattle WA 98178
Puget Sound Energy	The Awareness Society	Verizon Communications
Attn: Jennifer Mai	Attn: Warren Moon	Attn: Mike Feskens
P.O. Box 98068	26425 Allen St., Ste 203	P.O. Box 1003
Bellevue WA 98009	Duvall WA 98019	Everett WA 98206-1003
Kim Claussen	Neil DeGoojer	Nancy Gordon
DDES/LUSD	DNRP/WLRD	KCDOT/D&C
MS OAK-DE-0100	MS KSC-NR-0600	MS KSC-TR-0431
David Gualtieri	Denise Hauck	Bill Hintz
KCDOT/CIP & Planning	KC Dept. of Exec. Srvcs.	KC DOT, Rd. Maint.
MS KSC-TR-0317	MS ADM-ES-0500	MS RSD-TR-0100
Nicole Keller	Kristen Langley	Tom Lew
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MS KSC-TR-0222

Paulette Norman KCDOT/RD SERV. MS KSC-TR-0231 Robert Nunnenkamp KC DNRP/Prog Dev. MS KSC-NR-0700 Lydia Reynolds-Jones KC DOT/RD SERV. MS KSC-TR-0231

Charlie Sundberg

Bus. Rel. & Economic Dev. MS BOA-EX-2000

Kelly Whiting KC DOT, Rd. Srvcs. Div. MS KSC-TR-0231

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL AND ADDITIONAL ACTION REQUIRED

In order to appeal the recommendation of the Examiner, written notice of appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the King County Council with a fee of \$250.00 (check payable to King County Office of Finance) on or before October 10, 2007. If a notice of appeal is filed, the original and six (6) copies of a written appeal statement specifying the basis for the appeal and argument in support of the appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the King County Council on or before October 17, 2007.

Filing requires actual delivery to the Office of the Clerk of the Council, Room 1025, King County Courthouse, 516 3rd Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104, prior to the close of business (4:30 p.m.) on the date due. Prior mailing is not sufficient if actual receipt by the Clerk does not occur within the applicable time period. The Examiner does not have authority to extend the time period unless the Office of the Clerk is not open on the specified closing date, in which event delivery prior to the close of business on the next business day is sufficient to meet the filing requirement.

If a written notice of appeal and filing fee are not filed within 14 days calendar days of the date of this report, or if a written appeal statement and argument are not filed within 21 calendar days of the date of this report, the Clerk of the Council shall place a proposed ordinance which implements the Examiner's recommended action on the agenda of the next available Council meeting. At that meeting, the Council may adopt the Examiner's recommendation, may defer action, may refer the matter to a Council committee, or may remand to the Examiner for further hearing or further consideration.

Action of the Council Final. The action of the Council on a recommendation of the Examiner shall be final and conclusive unless within twenty-one (21) days from the date of the action an aggrieved party or person applies for a writ of certiorari from the Superior Court in and for the County of King, State of Washington, for the purpose of review of the action taken.

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 18, 2006, PUBLIC HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, ROAD SERVICES DIVISION FILE NO. V-2525.

Peter T. Donahue was the Hearing Examiner in this matter. Participating in the hearing was Nicole Keller, representing the Department. There were no other participants.

The following exhibits were offered and entered into the record:

Exhibit No. 1 Report to the Hearing Examiner for the October 18, 2006 hearing, with 15 attachments.

Exhibit No. 2 Petition transmittal letter, dated April 12, 2005 to KC Department of Transportation,

from Clerk of the Council

Exhibit No. 3 Letter of explanation from the Petitioner

Exhibit No. 4	Petition for vacation of a county road which includes legal descriptions of the
	Petitioner's properties received April 12, 2005

Exhibit No. 5 Copy of the filing fee, check #9248 from the Petitioners

Exhibit No. 6 Receipt #721 for filing fee

Exhibit No. 7 Vicinity map

Exhibit No. 8 King County plat map of Cherry Gardens, Division No. 3, recorded in Volume 22 of plats, page 26, records of King County, Washington

Exhibit No. 9 Map depicting the vacation area

Exhibit No. 10 Copy of final agency notice dated December 28, 2005 which includes e-mail verification of recipients

Exhibit No. 11 Letter to Warren Moon of The Awareness Society dated February 23, 2006 requesting compensation

Exhibit No. 12 Compensation worksheet

Exhibit No. 13 Copy of the compensation check in the amount of \$4,988.75

Exhibit No. 14 Deposit receipt dated May 15, 2006

Exhibit No. 15 Transmittal letter dated February 24, 2006 to the Council recommending approval

Exhibit No. 16 Ordinance transmittal letter dated August 9, 2006 from the King County Executive to Councilmember Larry Phillips

Exhibit No. 17 Proposed Ordinance 2006-0371

Exhibit No. 18 Fiscal Note

Exhibit No. 19 Notice of hearing

Exhibit No. 20 Affidavit of posting

Exhibit No. 21 Affidavit of publication for date of hearing

Exhibit No. 22 Easement document from Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

Exhibit No. 23 KCDOT memo with recorded access and utility easement and signature authority

PTD:gao V-2525 RPT