



# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

August 24, 2009

### Ordinance 16632

**Proposed No.** 2009-0358.2

**Sponsors** Constantine

1 AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of  
2 NE 8th Street, also known as the Ferch Road Extension,  
3 File V-2630; Petitioners: Dudley and Laura Reiser.  
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#### 5 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 6 1. A petition has been filed requesting vacation of a portion of the NE 8th  
7 Street right-of-way, also known as the Ferch Road Extension, hereinafter  
8 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. Puget Sound Energy has recorded an easement over a portion of the  
13 vacation area for the existing underground electric and gas facilities under  
14 King County recording number 20090721000033.
- 15 4. The department of transportation records indicates that King County  
16 has not been maintaining the subject right-of-way. The records indicate  
17 that no public funds have been expended for its acquisition. A critical

18 areas review will be required prior to any future development, clearing, or  
19 other site alteration within the vacation area.

20 5. The department of transportation considers the subject portion of the  
21 right-of-way useless as part of the county road system and believes the  
22 public would benefit by the return of this unused area to the public tax  
23 rolls.

24 6. The right-of-way is classified as "C-Class" and, in accordance with  
25 K.C.C. 14.40.020, the compensation due to King County is based on fifty  
26 percent of the assessed value of the subject right-of-way, which was  
27 determined from records of the department of assessments. King County  
28 is in receipt of \$29,592.16 from the petitioners.

29 Due notice was given in the manner provided by law and a hearing was  
30 held by the office of the hearing examiner on the 15th day of July 2009.

31 In consideration of the benefits to be derived from the subject vacation the  
32 council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of King  
33 County to grant said petition.

34 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

35 SECTION 1. The council, on the effective date of this ordinance, hereby vacates  
36 and abandons that portion of the NE 8th Street right-of-way, also known as the Ferch  
37 Road Extension, as conveyed to King County by the recording of King County Auditor's  
38 File Numbers 2930859 and 2930860, records of King County, Washington as described  
39 below:

40 That portion of the north half of the NE 8th Street right-of-way, deeded to  
41 King County as the Ferch Road Extension under King County Auditor's  
42 File Number 2930860, abutting and adjacent to the south line of Tract A,  
43 King County Short Plat Number 778143, recording number 8002290776,  
44 records of King County, Washington.

45 Together with that portion of the south half of the NE 8th Street right-of-  
46 way, deeded to King County as Ferch Road Extension under King County  
47 Auditor's File Number 2930859, abutting and adjacent to the north line of  
48 Lot 1, King County Short Plat Number 778143, recording number  
49 8002290776, records of King County, Washington.

50 Area is approximately 0.93 acres.

51 SECTION 2. While this action vacates the public road interests in the subject  
52 portion of the NE 8th Street right-of-way, also known as the Ferch Road Extension, that  
53 was created by King County Auditor's File Numbers 2930859 and 2930860, records of  
54 King County, Washington, it does not affect any private rights, interests, or easements

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56 over said area, nor any other road interests created with the recording of King County  
57 Short Plat Number 778143, King County recording number 8002290776.  
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Ordinance 16632 was introduced on 6/8/2009 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 8/24/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Constantine, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn

No: 0

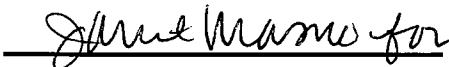
Excused: 1 - Mr. Ferguson

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



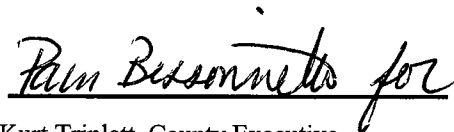
Dow Constantine, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 2 day of September, 2009.



Kurt Triplett, County Executive

**Attachments**      A. Hearing Examiner Report Dated August 3, 2009

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT:** King County Department of Transportation File No. **V-2630**  
 Proposed Ordinance No. **2009-0358**  
 Adjacent Parcel Nos. 352506-9041 and 352506-9040

**DUDLEY & LAURA REISER**  
 Road Vacation Petition

**Location:** Portion of NE 8th Street right-of-way (aka Ferch Road Extension)

**Petitioner:** **Dudley & Laura Reiser**  
 23619 Northeast 7th Court  
 Sammamish, Washington 98074  
 Telephone: (425) 868-5963

**King County:** Department of Transportation, Road Services Division  
*represented by Nicole Keller*  
 201 S Jackson Street  
 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
Examiner's:	Approve road vacation

DEPARTMENT'S REPORT:

The Department of Transportation's written report to the Hearing Examiner for road vacation petition No. V-2630 was received by the Examiner on June 19, 2008.

PUBLIC HEARING:

After reviewing the Department's report and accompanying attachments and exhibits, the Examiner conducted a public hearing on the petition and report as follows:

The hearing was opened by the Examiner on July 15, 2009, in the Hearing Examiner's Conference Room, 400 Yesler Way, Seattle, Washington 98104 and then was left open administratively for receipt of a copy of a recorded easement in favor of Puget Sound Energy. The easement copy was received July 22, 2009, at which time the hearing record closed. 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.

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATION: 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 NE 8th Street right-of-way (aka Ferch Road Extension)
Right of way classification:	C Class
Area:	40,537 square feet
Compensation:	\$29,592.16

2. 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 herein, the Examiner adopts and incorporates herein by this reference the facts set forth in the Department's report and the statements of fact contained in Proposed Ordinance No. 2009-0358. 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 are in the hearing record as exhibit nos. 7 and 11.
5. The subject right-of-way segment is not currently opened, constructed or maintained for public use, and is not known to be used informally for access to any property.
6. Vacation of the right-of-way would have no adverse effect on the provision of access and fire and emergency services to the abutting properties and surrounding area.
7. A necessary utility easement has been recorded in favor of Puget Sound Energy for its existing utility facilities in the current right-of-way. No other easements are necessary to be retained for construction, repair and maintenance of public utilities and services.
8. With the above grant of easement, the right-of-way is not necessary for the present or future public road system for travel or utilities purposes.
9. 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 not useful as part of the King County road system and the public will be benefited by its vacation.

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE proposed Ordinance No. 2009-0358 to vacate the subject road right-of-way.

RECOMMENDED August 3, 2009.

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Peter T. Donahue  
King County Hearing Examiner

**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 August 17, 2009*. If a notice of appeal is filed, the original and six 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 August 24, 2009*.

Filing requires actual delivery to the Office of the Clerk of the Council, Room 1025, King County Courthouse, 516 Third 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 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 JULY 15, 2009, PUBLIC HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION, ROAD SERVICES DIVISION FILE NO. V-2630.

Peter T. Donahue was the Hearing Examiner in this matter. Participating in the hearing were Nicole Keller representing the Department and Petitioners Dudley and Laura Reiser.

The following exhibits were offered and entered into the record at hearing:

- Exhibit No. 1 Report to the Hearing Examiner for the July 15, 2009, hearing, with 16 attachments
- Exhibit No. 2 Letter from Clerk of the Council to KC Department of Transportation (KCDOT), transmitting petition, dated October 21, 2008
- Exhibit No. 3 Letter from Petitioners to the King County Council dated October 19, 2008 with three attachments
- Exhibit No. 4 Petition for Vacation of a County Road received October 21, 2008
- Exhibit No. 5 Copy of filing fee: check no. 1697, in the amount of \$100.00
- Exhibit No. 6 Receipt no. 00897 for filing fee dated October 21, 2008
- Exhibit No. 7 Vicinity map
- Exhibit No. 8 Short plat no. 778143 documented under King County recording no. 8002290776
- Exhibit No. 9 Quit claim deed by Leo J. Schaller and Meta S. Peters dated February 1, 1937
- Exhibit No. 10 Quit claim deed by J. E. Bratnobar dated February 1, 1937
- Exhibit No. 11 Map depicting vacation area
- Exhibit No. 12 Final Agency Notice sent January 6, 2009
- Exhibit No. 13 Easement granted by Reiser to Puget Sound Energy Inc. dated November 12, 2008
- Exhibit No. 14 Letter from KCDOT to Petitioners dated November 26, 2008, regarding petition process and estimated compensation for vacation area
- Exhibit No. 15 Letter from KCDOT to Petitioners dated March 19, 2009, requesting compensation for vacation area
- Exhibit No. 16 Compensation Worksheet
- Exhibit No. 17 Copy of compensation payment, check no. 6030278676 in the amount of \$29,592.16
- Exhibit No. 18 Receipt no. 540818 for compensation payment, dated April 8, 2009
- Exhibit No. 19 Letter from KCDOT to KC Council recommending approval of petition, dated March 20, 2009
- Exhibit No. 20 Letter from KCDOT to KC Council transmitting proposed ordinance, dated May 28, 2009
- Exhibit No. 21 Proposed ordinance for file no. V-2630
- Exhibit No. 22 Fiscal Note
- Exhibit No. 23 Affidavit of Posting, noting posting verification on June 11, 2009
- Exhibit No. 24 Affidavit of Publication, noting July 1 and July 8, 2009, publication dates

The following exhibit was entered into the record administratively on July 22, 2009

- Exhibit No. 25 Recorded easement granted by Reiser to Puget Sound Energy Inc. dated November 12, 2008, recording no. 20090721000033

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