

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

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> JOHN J. WILLIAMS MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Ron Long, Assembly President

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

FROM:

Max Best, Planning Director

DATE:

May 24, 2006

SUBJECT:

Vacate Trenchant Street, a 60-foot right of way, dedicated by Miller Homestead Subdivision (Plat KN 96-05); within Section 19, Township 7 North, Range 11 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska; and within the Kenai Peninsula Borough; KPB File 2006-092; NOTE: Alternate Right of Way is proposed to be dedicated; Petitioners: Sharon K. Lamm of Salem Oregon, Sandra Jones, Johnnie Stolz & Philip Stolz of Nikiski,

Alaska; Location: South of Bastien Drive in Nikiski

In accordance with AS 29.40.140, no vacation of a Borough right-of-way and/or easement may be made without the consent of the Borough Assembly. The Planning Commission approved the referenced vacation during their regularly scheduled May 22, 2006 meeting.

A motion to grant the vacation as petitioned and adopting the twelve findings passed by unanimous consent. This petition is being sent to you for your consideration and action.

The Assembly has 30 days from May 22, 2006 in which to veto the decision of the Planning Commission. If the Commission receives no veto within the 30-day period, the decision of the Commission will stand.

Draft, unapproved minutes of the pertinent portion of the meeting and other related materials are attached.

cc: petitioners w/minutes only

AGENDA ITEM F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

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Staff Report reviewed by Max Best

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PC Meeting: 5/22/06

Petitioners: Sharon K. Lamm of Salem Oregon, Sandra Jones, Johnnie Stolz & Philip Stolz of Nikiski, Alaska.

Public notice appeared in the May 4 and May 11, 2006 issues of the Peninsula Clarion.

Fourteen (14) certified mailings were sent to owners of property within 300 feet of the parcels; thirteen (13) of the receipts have been returned.

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Statement(s) of non-objection/no comment

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Staff discussion

This is a situation that the landowner has been working on for quite a while. Essentially, the right-of-way is being relocated to a location that is acceptable to all the affected landowners.

Findings:

- Sufficient rights-of-way exist or are being dedicated to serve the surrounding properties.
- No surrounding properties will be denied access.
- Per the submittal, the right-of-way proposed for vacation is not in use for access.
- Per the submittal, the right-of-way proposed for vacation has not been constructed.
- 5. Per the submittal, the right-of-way proposed for vacation is not in use for utilities.
- All subdivision plats finalizing vacations are sent to utility companies for review and easement requirements.
- Per the submittal, an alternative right-of-way is being dedicated off Darby Avenue.
- 8. Per the submittal, the alternative right-of-way crosses an existing 100-foot overhead transmission line.
- Homer Electric Association and ACS submitted 'no comments' and 'non-objection' statements.
- Per the submittal, a low wet area is within the alternative right-of-way being dedicated.
- KPB 20.20.080 requires the subdivider to demonstrate that streets can be readily constructed in accordance with current borough road standards.
- Per KPB 14.06.080, a right-of-way construction permit prior to construction is required.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Based on Findings 1-7 and 9-12, staff recommends approval of the vacation as petitioned, subject to:

 Submittal of a preliminary plat in accordance with Chapter 20 of the KPB Code (submittal of a final plat within one year of vacation approval).

If the vacation is approved, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly has thirty days in which they may veto Planning Commission approval of the vacation.

DENIAL OF A VACATION PETITION IS A FINAL ACT FOR WHICH NO FURTHER CONSIDERATION SHALL BE GIVEN BY THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH. APPEALS TO PLANNING COMMISSION DENIAL OF A VACATION MUST BE TAKEN WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS TO SUPERIOR COURT AT KENAI, ALASKA PURSUANT TO PART VIOF THE ALASKA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURES. [20.28.110 AS AMENDED BY KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 99-43].

END OF STAFF REPORT

Chairman Bryson read the rules by which public testimony is taken.

Chairman Bryson opened the meeting for public comment. Seeing and hearing no one wishing to speak, Chairman Bryson closed the public comment period and opened discussion among the Commission.

MOTION: Commissioner Gross moved, seconded by Commissioner Tauriainen to approve the vacation of Trenchant Street citing the twelve findings by staff.

Hearing no discussion or comments, the commission proceeded to vote.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous consent.

BRYSON	CLARK	FOSTER	GROSS	HEIMBUCH	HOHL	HUTCHINSON
YES	YES	YES	YES	ABSTAIN	YES	ABSENT
ISHAM	JOHNSON	MARTIN	MASSION	PETERSEN	TAURIAINEN	11 YES
YES	ABSENT	YES	YES	YES	YES	2 ABSENT

AGENDA ITEM F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinance 2006-24; Authorizing Negotiated Leases of Space at the Kenai River Center Building With the State
of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency Through
the General Services Administration.

PC Meeting: 5/22/06

Memorandum reviewed by Marcus Mueller

The Kenai River Center has operated at its current location since 2000 primarily with government appropriations and under informal agreements with the non-borough agencies who co-occupy the borough facility. In July 2005, the funding sources which have supported the facilities operation were discontinued. The borough, the DNR and EPA realize that it is in the public best interest to arrange formal agreements for operation and also to share in the annual operation and management costs for the facility. The parties have also proposed to share in the long-term capital maintenance of the facilities, beginning in July 2006. Ordinance 2005-18 authorized the borough to enter into lease and shared services agreements with DNR and EPA. Since that time EPA has informed the borough that it must work through the General Services Administration (GSA), resulting in a significant delay and a reworking of the documents.

Attached for your consideration is an ordinance to authorize the lease of a negotiable amount of office space at the Kenai River Center to DNR and also to GSA on behalf of EPA. The ordinance would also provide authorization for the Mayor to negotiate a shared service agreement with the parties to allocate costs for shared operation, maintenance and projected long-term maintenance of the facilities. Although the resulting documents are not "substantially similar", they are functionally equivalent to those approved by Ordinance 2005-18.

END OF STAFF REPORT



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May 24, 2006

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION **NOTICE OF DECISION**

MEETING OF MAY 22, 2006

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The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission approved the proposed vacation during their regularly scheduled meeting of May 22, 2006.

In accordance with AS 29.40.140, no vacation of a Borough right-of-way and/or easement may be made without the consent of the Borough Assembly. The proposed vacation will be forwarded to the Borough Assembly. The Assembly shall have 30 calendar days from the date of approval in which to veto the Planning Commission decision. If the Planning Director receives no veto within the specified period, the Borough shall be considered to have given consent to the vacation.

Please contact the Borough Clerk's office (907-714-2160 or 1-800-478-4441 toll-free within the borough) to verify the date the subject vacation will be reviewed by the Assembly.

This notice and unapproved minutes of the subject portion of the meeting were sent May 24, 2006 to:

Sharon Lamm 3660 Croisan Creek Road S Salem, OR 97302-9409

Johni Stolz PO Box 8114 Nikiski, AK 99635-8114

C/O Box 1041 Kenai, AK 99611

Patrick Malone

Philip Stolz PO Box 7086 Nikiski, AK 99635-7086

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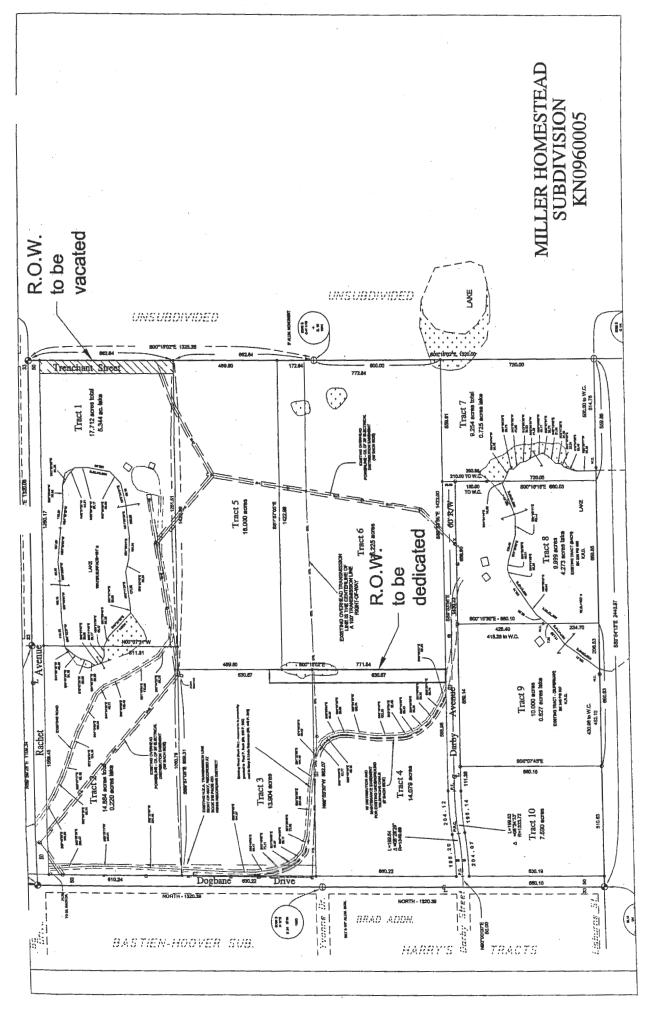
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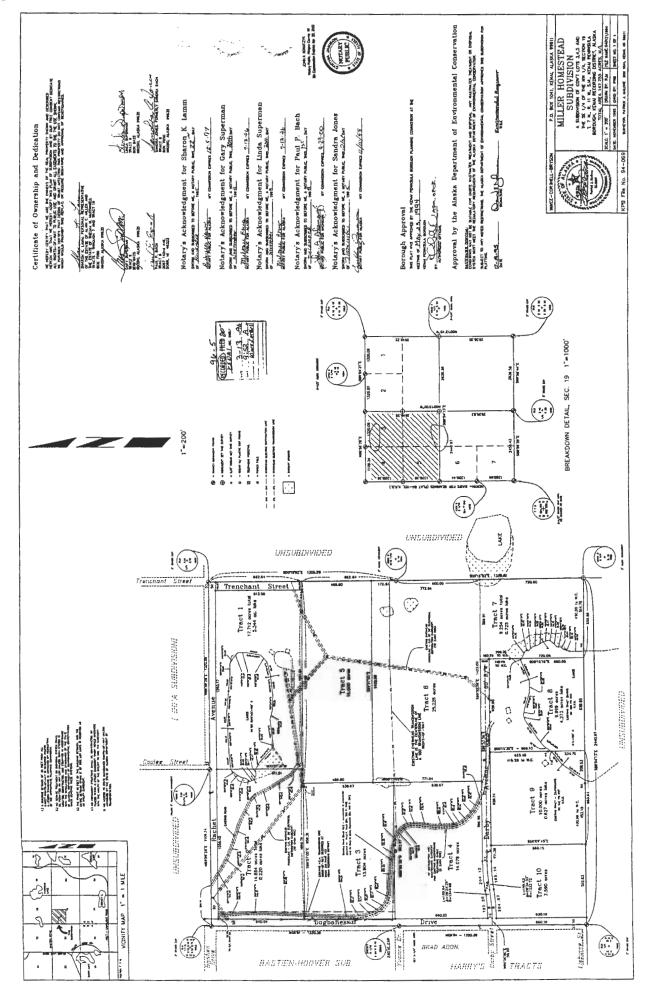
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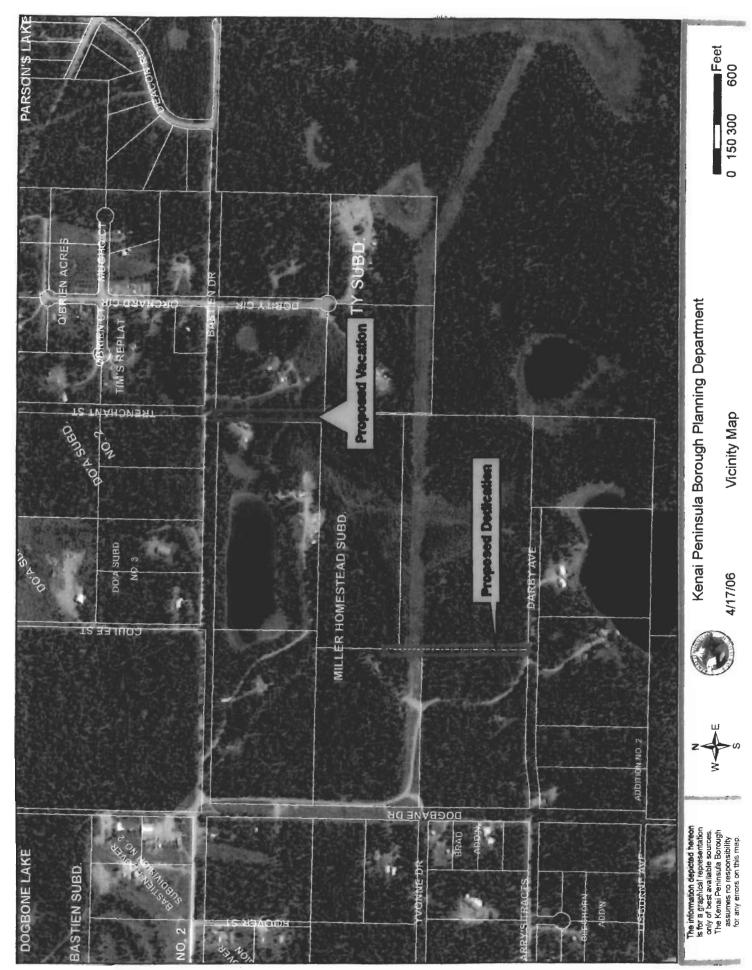
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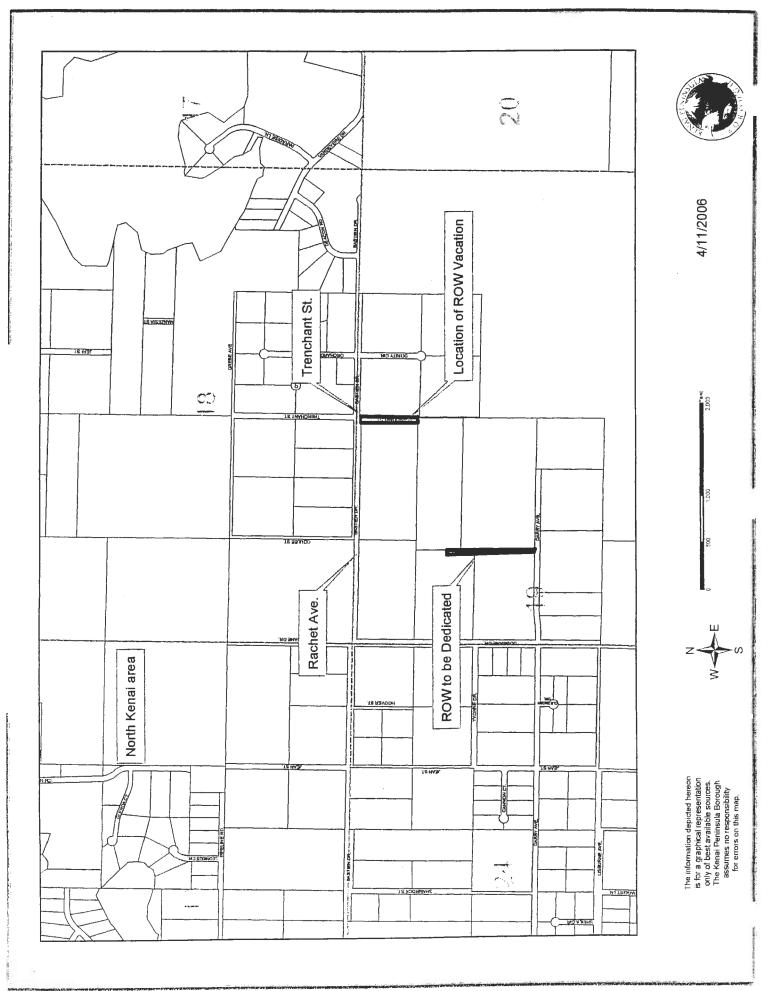
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Petition to Vacate Public Right-of-Way/Section Line Easement Public Hearing Required

Upon receipt of complete application with fees and all required attachments a public hearing before the Planning Commission will be scheduled. The petition with all required information and attachments must be in the Planning Department at least 30 days prior to the preferred hearing date. By State Statute and Borough Code, the public hearing must be scheduled within 60 days of receipt of complete application.

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	Fees - \$300 non-refundable fee to help defray costs of advertising public hearing.	Plat fees will be in ac	ldition to					
	vacation fees.							
	City Advisory Planning Commission. Copy of minutes at which this item was ac	ted on, along with a co	py of City					
	Staff Report.							
	Name of public right-of-way proposed to be vacated isTrenchant Street	; dedicated by plat of						
	Miller Homestead Subdivision Subdivision, filed as Plat No96-05	in <i>Kenai</i>	Recordin					
	District.		_					
	Are there associated utility easements to be vacated?	☐ Yes	⊠ No					
	Are easements in use by any utility company; if so which?							
	Easement for public road or right-of-way as set out in (specify type of document)							
	as recorded in Book Page of the Recording District. (Copy of recorded							
	document must be submitted with petition)							
	Section Line Easement. Width of easement must be shown on sketch.							
	Submit three copies of plat or map showing area proposed to be vacated. Must not exceed 11 x 17 inches in size.							
	In the case of public right-of-way the submittal must include a sketch showing which parcels the vacated area will							
	be attached to. Proposed alternative dedication is to be shown and labeled on the sketch.							
Has	•	Yes	☑ No					
		Yes	☑ No					
		Yes	□No					
		Yes	□No					
		Yes	□ No					

The petitioner must provide reasonable justification for the vacation. Reason for vacating:

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way or section line easement proposed to be vacated. Each must include mailing address and legal description of his/her property. Representative As: Detitioner Submitted by: Signature Name Address Phone Petitioners: Signature Name Name Address Address Owner of Owner of Signature Signature Hun Name

Address

Owner of

Name Address

Owner of

The petition must be signed (written signature) by owners of majority of the front feet of land fronting part of right-of-