

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
April 21, 2026	4.e

TO: Mayor Benetti, Council President DiNovo, and City Councilors

FROM: Jennifer Wirsing, Public Works Director

THROUGH: Nichole Rutherford, City Manager

ISSUE: Public Hearing for Consideration to Approve the Right-of-Way Vacation South of 585 Newmark Avenue - Would Require Enactment of Ordinance

SUMMARY:

The City Council initiated a right of way vacation for the Public Right-of-Way directly between 585 Newmark Avenue and 130 S. Wall Street. Staff is requesting Council hold a public hearing and, after taking public comment/testimony, consider enactment of proposed ordinance to vacate the right of way.

ACTION REQUESTED:

If it pleases Council, hold a public hearing to take comments, and if desired, enact an ordinance providing for the vacation of the public right of way between 585 Newmark Avenue and 130 S. Wall Street.

BACKGROUND:

On February 17, 2026, City Council initiated a right of way vacation to consolidate the parcels at 585 Newmark Avenue and 130 S. Wall Street for the future development of a parking lot. Vacating the right of way will allow the two parcels to be consolidated. Comments were sought from all City Departments and staff is recommending approval with conditions. Planning Division stated future development must comply with the Coos Bay Development Code. All other Departments had no concerns. Comments were also solicited from local utilities companies; Coos Bay North Bend Water Board requested a permanent access easement to maintain their water main located within the right of way. Additionally, Pacific Power requested that acceptable access to their facilities is maintained. The remaining utilities stated no objections. As the vacation is outside of 1,000 feet of the shoreline, the City is not required to seek input from the International Port of Coos Bay. At the writing of this staff report, City staff had received no public comments for or objections to the proposed vacation.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

None.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- Vacation Ordinance South of 585 Newmark
- Exhibit for Vacation
- Public Hearing Notice
- Posted Notice