

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
February 17, 2026	5.e

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

FROM: Jennifer Wirsing, Public Works Director

THROUGH: Nichole Rutherford, City Manager

ISSUE: Consideration to Initiate a Right-of-Way Vacation South of 585 Newmark Avenue

SUMMARY:

Council will consider initiating a vacation for the Public Right-of-Way directly between 585 Newmark Avenue and 130 S. Wall Street.

ACTION REQUESTED:

If it pleases Council, initiate the process to begin a vacation for the Public Right-of-Way between 585 Newmark Avenue and 130 S. Wall Street.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this Right-of-Way Vacation is to consolidate the parcels at 585 Newmark Avenue and 130 S. Wall Street for the future development of the Newmark Avenue & S. Wall Street Parking Lot. Vacating the right-of-way will allow the City to construct a parking lot that includes native plantings. The vacation supports goals associated with the Empire Area Blueprint (Resolution 25-07) by improving public parking, stormwater management, and walkability in the Empire District. The right-of-way proposed for vacation is approximately 86 feet in length and is located between 585 Newmark Avenue and 130 S. Wall Street. The intervening right-of-way does not provide through vehicular access or broader connectivity for the general public; it is not required for future public circulation.

If the Council is agreeable, a right-of-way vacation process can be initiated pursuant to Coos Bay Municipal Code Title 12.45. Council initiation of the vacation allows the City to develop the two Tax Lots into a future parking lot. Upon initiation, affected property owners will be notified, and the Council will conduct a public hearing at a future meeting.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

None

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 585 Newmark & 130 S Wall Proposed Vacation Exhibit
- 30% Design Plans for Newmark Parking Lot