Rama Road Closure Justification

Case #17streets1025

This proposal is to close Rama Road as a public road and replacing it with a 50' private access, public utility, sanitary sewer and drainage easement. Access will continue to be provided to each of the lots that abut the road and the existing utilities shall remain in an easement.

The request to close the right-of-way is in compliance the Goals, Objectives and Plan Elements of the Comprehensive Plan as Guideline 7, Policy 1 provides that those who propose new developments bear or reasonably share in the costs of the public facilities and services made necessary by development; Guideline 7, Policy 6 strives to ensure that transportation facilities of new developments are compatible with and support access to surrounding land uses, and contribute to the appropriate development of adjacent lands; Guideline 7, Policy 9 provides that the Planning Commission or legislative body may require the developer to dedicate rights-of-way for street, transit corridors, bikeway and walkway facilities within or abutting the development as set forth in the Land Development Code and/or an adopted urban mobility plan; is and Guideline 14, Policy 7 provides that the design and location of utility easements provide access for maintenance and repair and to minimize negative visual impacts. Any cost associated with the right-of-way to be closed will be the responsibility of the applicant or developer. Adequate public facilities are available to serve existing and future needs of the community. Any facility required to be placed in an easement or relocated will be done so by the developer. Transportation facilities have been provided to accommodate future access and to not dispossess property owners of public access. All adjacent residential lands maintain access to public infrastructure and utility services will continue to be provided to these lands.

Adequate public facilities are available to serve existing and future needs of the community. No property adjacent or abutting the rights-of-way to be closed will be left absent of public facilities or services, or be dispossessed of public access to their property. Where existing or proposed utilities are located within the right of way to be closed, it shall be retained as an easement. Any cost associated with the rights-of-way to be closed will be the responsibility of the applicant or developer, including the cost of improvements to those rights-of-way and adjacent rights-of-way

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