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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

39 December 13, 2016

LORI GLASGOW  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION  
PORTION OF AMELUXEN AVENUE AT WEDGEWORTH DRIVE  
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

This action involves the proposed vacation of a portion of Ameluxen Avenue at Wedgeworth Drive in the unincorporated community of Hacienda Heights, which is no longer needed for public use.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find this action categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Find that the easement for public road and highway purposes on a portion of Ameluxen Avenue at Wedgeworth Drive, in the unincorporated community of Hacienda Heights, has been determined to be excess and not required for street or highway purposes and that it may, therefore, be vacated, pursuant to Section 8334(a) of the California Streets and Highways Code.
3. Find that the easement for public road and highway purposes on a portion of Ameluxen Avenue at Wedgeworth Drive, in the unincorporated community of Hacienda Heights, is not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility, as required by Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
4. Adopt the Resolution of Summary Vacation, pursuant to Section 8335 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

5. Upon approval, authorize the Chief Deputy Director of Public Works or his designee to record the certified original resolution with the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find the project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow the County of Los Angeles to vacate the easement for public road and highway purposes on a portion of Ameluxen Avenue at Wedgeworth Drive (Easement), in the unincorporated community of Hacienda Heights, since the Easement no longer serves the purpose for which it was dedicated and is not required for public use. The vacation will then result in the property being unencumbered of the excess easement, thereby allowing for improvements to the property.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1). The vacation of the Easement will result in added revenue through assessment and taxation and reduce the County's exposure to potential liability.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund. There is no monetary consideration associated with the vacation as this is a County-initiated project.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The area to be vacated contains approximately 550 square feet and is as shown on the map attached to the enclosed Resolution of Summary Vacation.

The County's interest in the Easement was acquired by dedication in Tract Map No. 22940, recorded in Book 656, page 78, of Maps, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County as an easement for public road and highway purposes.

The Department of Public Works, on behalf of the County, is requesting the vacation of the Easement to allow the road right of way of Ameluxen Avenue at Wedgeworth Drive to match the existing street alignment.

California Streets and Highways Code Section 8334(a) provides that the legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate any excess right of way of a street or highway not required for street or highway purposes.

California Streets and Highways Code Section 892(a) provides that rights of way established for other purposes by cities, counties, and local agencies shall not be abandoned unless the governing body determines that rights of way or parts thereof are not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility. A nonmotorized transportation facility is defined in Section 887 of the California Streets and Highways Code as a facility designed primarily for the use of pedestrians, bicyclists, or equestrians.

California Streets and Highways Code Section 8335 provides that upon making the required finding, the legislative body of a local agency may effectuate the summary vacation of a street, highway, or public service easement by adopting a resolution of vacation.

Adoption of the enclosed Resolution of Summary Vacation and the subsequent recordation will terminate the County's rights and interest in the Easement and will result in the property being unencumbered by the Easement and available to the property owner for use without restriction of the Easement.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This action is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA, as specified in Sections 15305 and 15321 of the CEQA Guidelines, which state that the class of projects consisting of minor alterations in land use, limitations, and actions to revoke entitlement for use, issued and adopted by the regulatory agency, have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action will allow for additional property taxes through the vacation of the Easement.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one original and one copy of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division, together with a copy of the Board's minute order. Retain one original for your files.

Respectfully submitted,



MARK PESTRELLA  
Chief Deputy Director

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Enclosures

c: Auditor-Controller (Accounting Division–Asset  
Management)  
Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office

**RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION  
PORTION OF AMELUXEN AVENUE AT WEDGEWORTH DRIVE**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The County of Los Angeles is the holder of an easement for public road and highway purposes (hereinafter referred to as the Easement) in, over, and across the real property as legally described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto. The Easement, a portion of Ameluxen Avenue at Wedgeworth Drive, is located in the unincorporated community of Hacienda Heights, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.
2. The Easement has been determined to be excess and not required for public street or highway purposes.
3. The Easement is not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility as defined in Section 887 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
4. The Easement is hereby vacated pursuant to Chapter 4, Part 3, Division 9, of the California Streets and Highways Code, commencing with Section 8330.
5. The Director of Public Works or her designee is authorized to record the certified original resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, at which time the Easement will be terminated.
6. From and after the date this resolution is recorded, the Easement will no longer constitute a street, highway, or public service easement.

The foregoing resolution was on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2016 adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
MARY C. WICKHAM  
County Counsel

By Julia Weisman  
Deputy

LORI GLASGOW  
Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

By Diana Ruiz  
Deputy



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## EXHIBIT A

Project Name: Ameluxen Avenue  
at Wedgeworth Drive  
**AMELUXEN AVENUE 1-1VAC**  
A.M.B. 8220-015  
T.G. 677-H1  
I.M. 114-277  
R.D. 416  
S.D. 4  
R129XXX

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

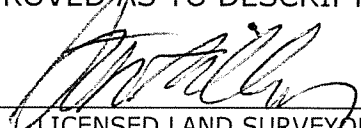
**PARCEL NO. 1-1VAC** (Vacation of public road and highway easement):

That portion of Ameluxen Avenue as shown and dedicated on map of Tract No. 22940, recorded in Book 656, page 78, of Maps, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, lying southeasterly of the following described line:

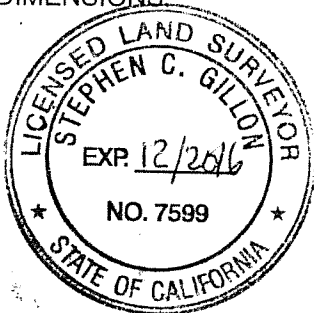
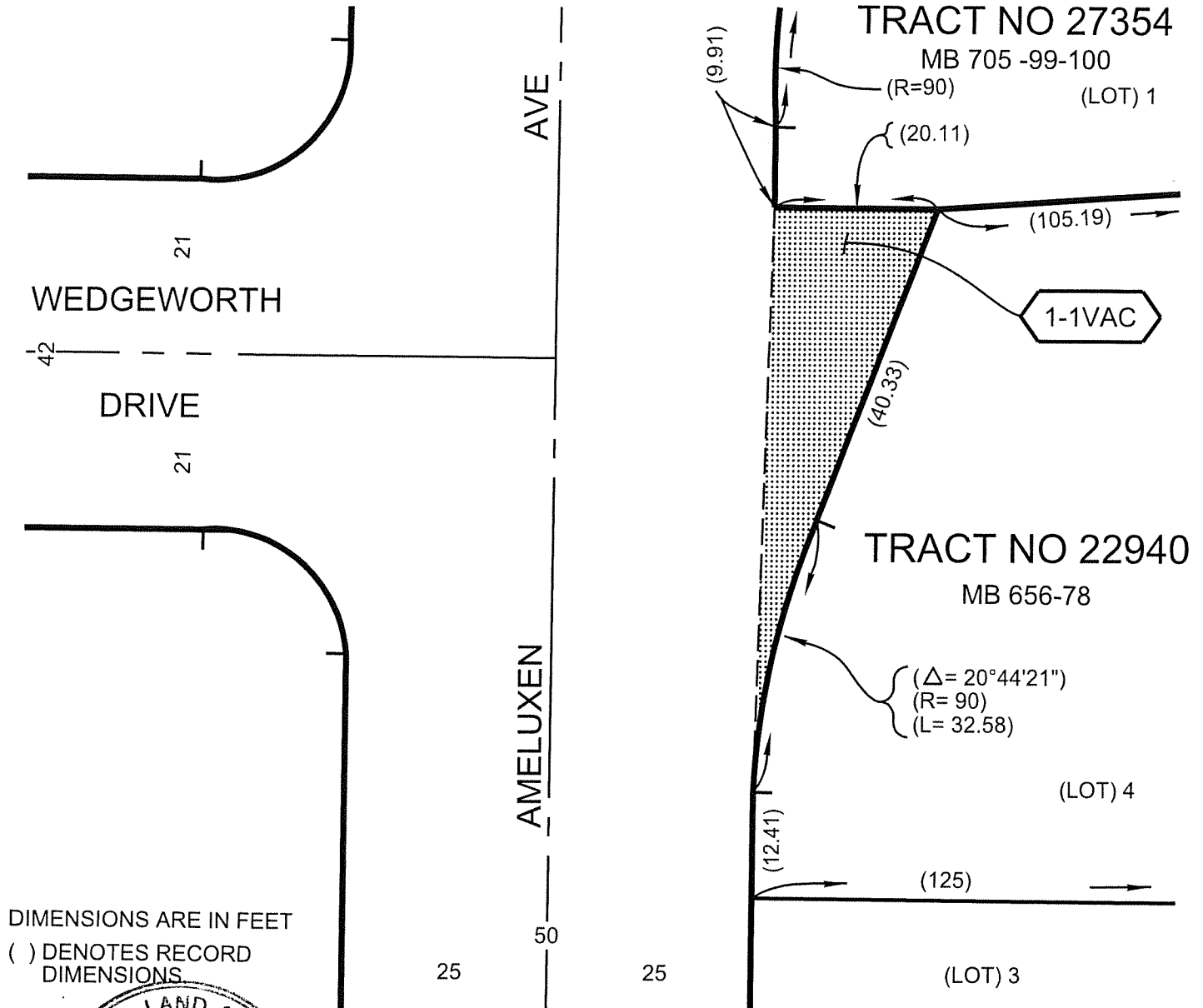
Beginning at the northeasterly terminus of that certain course having a length of 12.41 feet in the northwesterly boundary of Lot 4 of said tract; thence northeasterly, in a direct line, to the most westerly corner of Lot 1 of Tract No. 27354, as shown on map recorded in Book 705, pages 99 & 100 of said Maps.

Containing: 550± square feet



APPROVED AS TO DESCRIPTION	
By	
	LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR
	Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
Dated	JULY 21, 2016

# EXHIBIT B



BY [Signature] 7/21/16  
LICENSED SURVEYOR DATE

ALL IN THE UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
SURVEY/MAPPING & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

T.G. 677-H1  
I.M. 114-277  
S.D. 4  
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**AMELUXEN AVENUE  
AT WEDGEWORTH DRIVE**

**LEGEND**

PROPOSED AREA TO BE VACATED  
AREA: 550± SQUARE FEET

DATE:  
7-20-2016

SCALE:  
1" = 20'

A.M.B.  
8220-015

PREPARED BY:  
P. HERNANDEZ

REVIEWED BY:  
T. TRUONG

PROJECT I.D.  
MPV0000148

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