

ACCELERATED REVIEW PROCESS - B

Office of the City Engineer

Los Angeles, California

To the Honorable Council

Of the City of Los Angeles

May 5, 2021

Honorable Members:

CD No. 14

SUBJECT:

Quitclaim of Storm Drain Easement - 3401 East 1st Street - Right of Way No. 36000-2260

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. That the petitioner's request for the quitclaim of the 6-foot wide easement for storm drain purposes lying on 3401 E. 1st Street shown crosshatched on Exhibit "A" be approved, subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. That petitioner make satisfactory arrangement with the Real Estate Division of the Bureau of Engineering with respect to the payment of document recording fee.
- B. That the accompanying draft of Ordinance, authorizing such quitclaim, which has been approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney, be adopted.
- C. That the Real Estate Division of the Bureau of Engineering record and deliver the necessary quitclaim deed or deeds to the persons legally entitled thereto.
- D. That notification of the time and place of the Public Works Committee meeting to consider this matter be sent to:
 - 1) Lorena Plaza, L.P.
Attn: Dora Leong Gallo
3701 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 700
Los Angeles, CA 90010
 - 2) Los Angeles County Metropolitan
Transportation Authority
1 Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90012

- E. That if the Council add, remove or modify any of the previously stipulated conditions, the accompanied draft of Ordinance be considered null and void and a new Ordinance be procured.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

A fee of \$7,075.91 was paid for processing this request pursuant to Section 7.40 of the Administrative Code.

TRANSMITTALS:

1. Application dated July 9, 2020, from Lorena Plaza, L.P., representing owner Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
2. Draft of Ordinance
3. Exhibit "A", location map

DISCUSSION:

The petitioner, Lorena Plaza, L.P., representing the owner of the property, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, is requesting the City to quitclaim the 6-foot wide storm drain easement lying on 3401 East 1st Street, as shown crosshatched on Exhibit "A".

The petitioner has requested the quitclaim of the 6-foot wide storm drain easement to allow new construction.

The request for the quitclaim of the storm drain easement can be granted since the portion being requested is no longer being utilized and its retention is no longer necessary.

The portion of the 6-foot wide storm drain easement being quitclaimed was dedicated on November 5, 1924, recorded in Book 4222, page 327 of Official Records, in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County.

The Central District Office of the Bureau of Engineering stated in its communication dated March 12, 2021, that there are no objections to the portion of the storm drain easement being quitclaimed.

The Street Improvement and Stormwater Division of the Bureau of Engineering stated in its communication dated February 24, 2021, that there no objections to the portion of the storm drain easement being quitclaimed.

The City Engineer is also requiring the petitioner to provide payment of the recording fee as outlined under Recommendation "A" in a manner satisfactory to the City Engineer.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

The Bureau of Engineering has determined that the quitclaim of the easement for storm drain purposes is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, pursuant to the categorical exemptions included in the City of Los Angeles Guidelines under Article III, Class 5(4).

Respectfully submitted,



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