



City of Missoula, Montana
Item to be Referred to City Council Committee

Committee: Public Works

Item: Vacation of Public Utility Easement adjacent to S 2nd Street W

Date: April 6, 2022

Sponsor(s): Mark Todorovich

Prepared by: Mark Todorovich, Construction Project Coordinator

Ward(s) Affected:

<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 4
<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 5
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<input type="checkbox"/> All Wards	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

Action Required:

Approve the resolution vacating two 40 feet wide Public Utility Easements adjacent to Knowles Addition No. 3 Block 85, Lots 1, 2, 3 and COS 6685, Tract A.

Recommended Motion(s):

I move the City Council: approve the Resolution vacating two 40 feet wide Public Utility Easements adjacent to Knowles Addition No. 3 Block 85, Lots 1, 2, 3 and COS 6685, Tract A.

Timeline:

Referral to committee:	April 4, 2022
Committee discussion:	April 6, 2022
Council action (or sets hearing):	Click or tap here to enter text.
Public Hearing (if required):	Click or tap here to enter text.
Deadline:	Click or tap here to enter text.

Background and Alternatives Explored:

The owners Sherpa Properties LLC and Bricks and Spurs LLC & Scariano are requesting the City vacate the two public utility easements that are each 40 feet wide and are adjacent to Knowles Addition No. 3 Block 85, Lots 1, 2, 3 and COS 6685 Tract A, as shown in the attached Exhibit A. The reason for this request is that the north property owner has preliminary plans which include a new building inside this public utility easement.

City Engineering staff have reviewed this request. After consulting with City Utilities, Parks and Recreation, and MRA, City Engineering is now recommending that the City vacate the two 40 foot easements and retain a single 20 foot wide public utility easement (PUE) and public access easement (PAE) centered on the existing sewer main. This 20 foot wide PUE/PAE has already been signed and recorded and is attached to this referral. The 20 foot wide PAE will also provide bike and pedestrian neighborhood access for a future trail that will tie into the Bitterroot Branch Trail.

The two 40 foot wide public utility easement have no private utilities in them and all utility companies have signed the easement releases.

Financial Implications:

None

Links to external websites:

None