RESOLUTION NO. 1708

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH FINDING THE VACATION OF A 1,000 SQ. FT. PEDESTRIAN EASEMENT of Lot "A" OF TRACT 4364 IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE GOALS AND POLICIES OF THE GENERAL PLAN (GENERAL PLAN CONFORMANCE NO. 19-001)

WHEREAS, the Government Code of the State of California, Section 65402, provides that a local agency shall not acquire real property, nor dispose of any real property, nor construct a public building or structure in any county or city until the location, purpose, and extent of such activity has been reported upon as to conformity with the adopted General Plan; and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed the subject request and determined it to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 4501, Class 5, which supplements CEQA, because the request is a minor easement vacation; and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed the subject request and submitted it to the Planning Commission for review on April 23, 2019; and

WHEREAS, staff has indicated applicable General Plan goals and policies to establish conformance with the General Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Planning Commission of the City of Huntington Beach finds the proposed vacation of a portion of an existing street and public utility easement is in conformance with the goals and policies of the General Plan as follows:

The proposed vacation of the subject 1,000 sq. ft. pedestrian easement area conforms to the following goals and policy of the General Plan:

A. Land Use Element

LU Goal 1: New commercial, industrial, and residential development is coordinated to ensure that the land use pattern is consistent with the overall goals and needs of the community.

The existing pedestrian easement was designed to provide access to the Franklin School site at the north end of the easement. However, with the recently approved project to rezone the school site to residential, the pedestrian easement is no longer necessary.

B. Circulation Element

CE Goal 1a: The circulation system supports existing, approved, and planned land uses while maintaining a desired level of service and capacity on streets and critical intersections.

Existing streets and pedestrian sidewalks currently provide sufficient access to the surrounding residential uses. The subject area is no longer necessary to provide pedestrian access or meet the circulation needs of the abutting properties. The vacation of the subject easement will not have a detrimental impact on the circulation system and will allow for the future regular care and maintenance of the vacant property.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Planning Commission of the City of Huntington Beach at a regular meeting held on the Twenty-Third day of April 2019, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	
ATTEST:	
Ursula Luna-Reynosa, Secretary	Planning Commission Chair

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