

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 C

COUNCIL MEETING 2-10-2011

APPROVED BY



DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

CITY MANAGER

February 10, 2011

FROM: PATRICK N. WIEMILLER, Director
Public Works Department

BY: SCOTT MOZIER, PE, City Engineer / Assistant Director
Public Works Department, Traffic and Engineering Services Division 

SUBJECT: APPROVE THE PARTIAL ACQUISITION OF ONE STREET EASEMENT FOR THE PLACEMENT OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT THE INTERSECTION OF FIRST STREET AND DAKOTA AVENUE FROM PROPERTY OWNER WESTERN DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$700.00 (PROPERTY LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 7)

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Council approve the partial acquisition of one public street easement, from one parcel (see Exhibit A) owned by the Western Diocese of the Armenian Church of North America, (APN 437-073-06), for the appraised value of \$700.00 and that Council authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to sign all documents necessary to complete the transaction.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Street easements are required from two parcels at the intersection of First Street and Dakota Avenue in order to place new traffic signals for installation of protected left turn phasing. It is expected that 100 percent of the cost of the project will come from the Public Works Capital Improvement program. The values of the street easements were established by an in house, professional real estate appraiser and negotiations to acquire the easements were initiated on September 23, 2010.

The value of the 59 square feet of land within the street easement is \$700.00. The owner has agreed to the amount of compensation offered by the City and signed the street easement agreement for purchase and sale and the partial street easement deed. With City Council approval, payment will be made to the owners and the street easement will be recorded.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this project is to improve the intersection with the installation of protected left turn phasing for the traffic signal. The intersection is ranked number 3 on the Citywide traffic signal priority ranking list for left turn phasing installations. In June 2008, the received a grant through the Hazard Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for the project. Staff has determined that this project fits within Class 1 Section 15301 (f) thus a Categorical Exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines and meets the NEPA with a Categorical Exemption under 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c) (8), to develop left turn phasing on existing signal and new traffic signal poles. Therefore, all necessary environmental review required by CEQA has been completed for the acquisition of this public street easement.

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The documents signed by the property owner have been approved as to form by the City Attorney's office.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this second and final acquisition for the First Street and Dakota Avenue traffic signal project are funded by City of Fresno Project No. PW00334, Fund 22048, Org 189901 and CP0001.

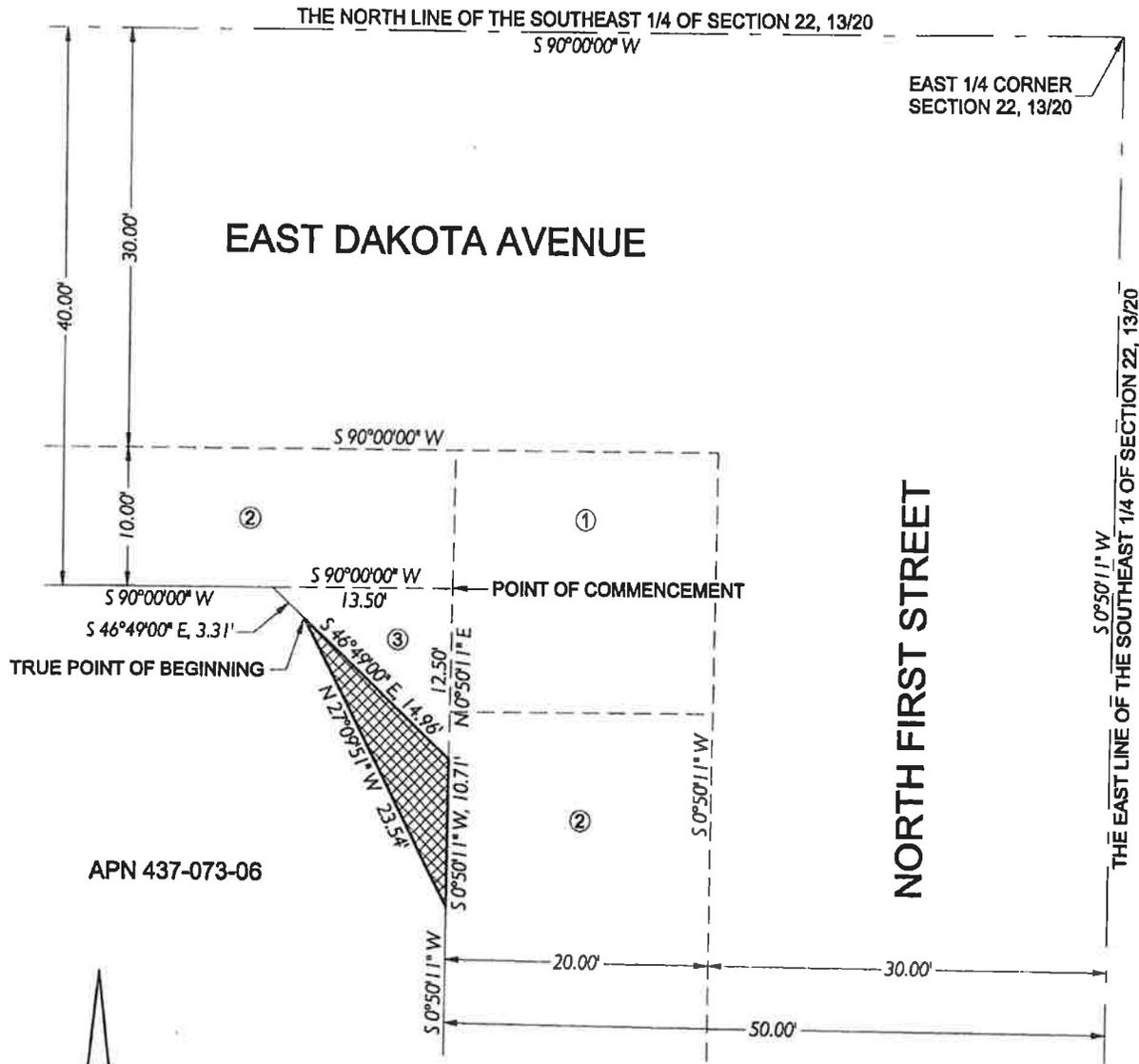
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Attachment: Vicinity Map
Exhibit "A"

VICINITY MAP
DAKOTA AVENUE AND FIRST STREET
INTERSECTION PROJECT



EXHIBIT "A"



APN 437-073-06



- ① = PREVIOUSLY DEDICATED FOR PUBLIC STREET PURPOSES BY A DEED OF EASEMENT RECORDED 11/10/1961 IN BOOK 4835 AT PAGE 139, O.R.F.C.
- ② = PREVIOUSLY DEDICATED FOR PUBLIC STREET PURPOSES BY A DEED OF EASEMENT RECORDED 6/29/1964 IN BOOK 5028 AT PAGE 651, O.R.F.C.
- ③ = PREVIOUSLY DEDICATED FOR PUBLIC STREET PURPOSES BY A DEED OF EASEMENT RECORDED 7/17/1975 IN BOOK 6457 AT PAGE 278, O.R.F.C.



 INDICATES AREA TO BE DEDICATED
59 S.F. ±

REF. & REV. 2010-048 PWF 10930 PLAT 2057	CITY OF FRESNO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	PROJ. ID. PWD0334 KRA CP001 FUND NO. 22050 RES TYPE ORG. NO. 189901
	PARCEL TO BE DEDICATED TO THE CITY OF FRESNO AS AN EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR PUBLIC STREET PURPOSES	DR. BY A.J. CH. BY H.B. DATE APRIL 23, 2010 SCALE NO SCALE
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