

CITY OF BUCKLEY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BUCKLEY, WASHINGTON, DECLARING SURPLUS AN APPROXIMATELY 12,800 SQ. FT. PORTION OF A CITY CEMETERY PARCEL (PARCEL #0620344002) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE AS AN APPLICANT IN A BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT AND REZONE FOR THE PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the City of Buckley owns a cemetery property, identified as Parcel #0620344002 (subject cemetery parcel), which is split into two segments by Highway 410; segments of which are located between approximately 20-120 ft. south of the Flume; and

WHEREAS, the subject cemetery parcel is currently aligned with a privately owned parcel adjacent to the south, Parcel #0619031006 on the west side of Highway 410, so as to prevent three City parcels located further west along the Flume from having direct access to Highway 410; and

WHEREAS, the three City parcels along the Flume with access currently blocked to Highway 410, shown in Exhibit A, would be a greater asset to Buckley residents if those parcels have direct access to Highway 410; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to eliminate the unusual split nature of the subject cemetery parcel so it is not bisected by Highway 410; and

WHEREAS, providing future opportunities for the noted City parcels along the Flume to have Highway 410 access and eliminating the unusual split nature of the subject cemetery parcel would need to be accomplished through a Boundary Line Adjustment (BLA) that involves coordination and the exchange of equally sized portions of land, approximately 12,800 sq. ft. each, with owners of the adjacent private parcel to the south, Parcel #0619031006, as shown in the attached Exhibits A and B; and

WHEREAS, through this land exchange the City would give up a sloped area that is not particularly usable or beneficial to the City and the City would gain land that is relatively flat and more beneficial; and

WHEREAS, owners of the noted private parcel to the south already granted the City formal authorization to act on their behalf for their parcel; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2019, the Buckley City Council approved the scope and fee proposal for Gray & Osborne Engineering to perform field surveys and conduct research for this BLA and land exchange; and

WHEREAS, the subject cemetery parcel is currently zoned Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMU) while another City-owned cemetery parcel, Parcel #0620344001 located adjacent to the segment of the subject cemetery parcel on the east side of Highway 410, is zoned Public, as shown in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, per Buckley Municipal Code, in order to approve the noted BLA a rezone would first be required for the segment of the subject cemetery parcel located on the east side of Highway 410 to ensure it matched the zoning designation of the adjacent City cemetery Parcel #0620344001; and

WHEREAS, the Buckley City Council was briefed about the purpose and status of this BLA and land exchange at the December 8, 2020 council meeting and received answers to additional questions that Council asked after that council meeting; now, therefore,

WHEREAS, the Buckley City Council received additional answers to their questions about this BLA at the January 19, 2021 Council Study Session; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUCKLEY HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Buckley hereby declares an approximately 12,800 sq. ft. portion of the subject cemetery parcel, approximately depicted in Exhibits A and B, as surplus to the needs of the City and authorizes the City, with the City Administrator as applicant, to participate in a Boundary Line Adjustment application involving City cemetery parcels #0620344002 and #0620344001, and private parcel #0619031006, in order to:

- a. Exchange the surplus portion of the subject City cemetery parcel (Parcel #0620344002) for an equally-sized and approximately 12,800 sq. ft. portion of the privately owned parcel adjacent to the south, as depicted in Exhibits A and B, to provide the opportunity for City parcels further west along the Flume to have direct access to Highway 410; and
- b. Eliminate the split nature of the subject City cemetery parcel so the subject cemetery parcel is located only on the west side of Highway 410.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Buckley authorizes the City, with the City Administrator as applicant, to also participate in a rezone application that would be necessary for the split segment of the subject cemetery parcel located on the east side of Highway 410 and which would need to be completed prior to approval of the authorized Boundary Line Adjustment for the subject cemetery parcel.

Introduced, passed and approved this 26th day of January 2021.



Mayor Pat Johnson

ATTEST:



Treva Percival, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Phil Olbrechts, City Attorney

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