

MOTION

The City of Los Angeles owns the fee interest to the land beneath Industrial Street between Central Avenue and Alameda Street. While the City typically only holds easement rights for public streets, it holds full ownership of the land in certain older industrial areas. This is inconsistent with the City's current practice. In most cases, the City holds only easement rights for public street purposes, and the underlying fee is privately owned. The City's ownership of the fee interest beneath Industrial Street is a historical remnant rather than a functional asset.

Industrial Street currently functions exclusively as improved public right-of-way. The City has no operational, programmatic, or capital project need for the underlying fee interest. All municipal functions in this corridor are fully supported through the City's authority over the public right-of-way, and retention of the fee interest provides no additional benefit to the City. The Bureau of Engineering has confirmed that the City does not rely on the underlying fee for any existing or planned infrastructure, utility, or transportation purpose.

Pursuant to Article 7 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, the City Council may declare real property to be surplus when it is no longer required for City use. Based on the conditions described above, the underlying fee interest beneath Industrial Street between Central Avenue and Alameda Street is not required for any present or foreseeable municipal purpose.

Should the City dispose of this property in the future, any proceeds would be deposited into the General Fund, providing a potential fiscal benefit without affecting any current municipal operations.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council declare the City-owned fee interest beneath Industrial Street between Central Avenue and Alameda Street to be surplus property in accordance with Article 7 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council direct the Department of General Services, with the assistance of the Bureau of Engineering and the City Attorney, to take all necessary steps to process this surplus declaration consistent with applicable City procedures.

PRESENTED BY


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