



## **REPORT TO PLANNING COMMISSION**

**To:** Honorable Chairman and Members of the Planning Commission

**From:** Justin Kirk, Assistant Community Development Director

**Date:** August 21, 2018

**Subject:** General Plan Conformity Determination for Proposed Street Vacation of a Portion of Acacia Drive

**Owner:** The City of Lake Elsinore

### **Recommendation**

adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE CALIFORNIA FINDING THAT THE SUMMARY VACATION OF A PORTION OF ACACIA DRIVE CONFORMS TO THE CITY'S GENERAL PLAN.

### **Project Location**

The project site is located on Acacia Drive north of Davis Street and between Davis and Silver Streets.

### **Background**

Acacia Drive is what is known as a "paper street." A paper street is a road or street that appears only on maps and has not been used or improved for street purposes. Acacia Drive runs parallel and very close to the north shore of Lake Elsinore. A review of applicable public records shows Acacia Drive as being dedicated in 1914. Despite this, a 1962 survey of the Lake's boundaries shows Acacia Drive as "abandoned." Indeed, in 1925, a part of Acacia was still in the County of Riverside when the County did take formal action to vacate the northern length of Acacia past Match Street (and which may explain the surveyor's conclusion of "abandonment" in 1962).

Several property owners along Acacia Drive have appeared before the City Council to urge vacation of a portion of this street. Staff has determined that a portion of Acacia Drive north of Davis Street and between Davis and Silver Streets has not and will not be used for any public purpose. That portion of Acacia Drive may therefore be vacated by the City Council.

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**Analysis**

Prior to City Council action, the Planning Commission must first determine if the vacation is in conformity with the adopted General Plan (Government Code Section 65402). The General Plan does not designate the portion of Acacia Drive under consideration as a roadway, and it has never been used as a roadway. Staff is therefore of the opinion that vacation of Acacia Drive as set forth herein is in conformity with the current General Plan for the City of Lake Elsinore.

Exhibits

- 1) Planning Commission Resolution No. 2018-\_\_\_\_
- 2) Vicinity map showing vacated area