

ORDINANCE NO. 997

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, VACATING A PORTION
OF PRENTICE AVENUE, BETWEEN PEACOCK HILL
AVENUE AND WOODWORTH AVENUE.**

WHEREAS, the City has the authority to adopt a vacation ordinance to formally remove the cloud on the title of the referenced right-of-way area, but this street vacation ordinance does not affect the rights of anyone, including any rights the public may have acquired in the right-of-way since the street was vacated by operation of law; and

WHEREAS, the portion of Prentice Avenue subject to this vacation request was created in the Plat of the Woodworth's Addition, recorded in the records of Pierce County in 1891; and

WHEREAS, the referenced portion of street right-of-way has never been opened or improved as a public street; and

WHEREAS, the referenced portion of street right-of-way was located in Pierce County during the period of five years prior to 1909, and there is no evidence that it was used as a street during such period; and

WHEREAS, the City Council passed Resolution No. 642 initiating the procedure for the vacation of the referenced street and setting a hearing date; and

WHEREAS, after the required public notice had been given, the City Council conducted a public hearing on the matter on April 11, 2005, and at the conclusion of

such hearing determined that the aforementioned right-of-way vacated by operation of law and lapse of time; Now, Therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON,
ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council finds that the unopened portion of the platted Prentice Avenue right-of-way, lying between Peacock Hill Avenue and Woodworth Avenue, abutting the eastern property frontage of Parcel No. 9815-000-010, attached hereto as legally described in Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference and as shown as depicted on Exhibit B, has vacated by lapse of time and operation of law under the Laws of 1889-90, Chapter 19 (Relating to County Roads), Section 32, p. 603, as Amended By Laws of 1909, Chapter 90, Section 1, p. 189, repealed in 1936 by the Washington State Aid Highway Act (Laws of 1936, Chapter 187, p. 760).

Section 2. The City has the authority to adopt a vacation ordinance to formally remove the cloud on the title of the referenced right-of-way area, but this street vacation ordinance does not affect the rights of anyone, including any rights the public may have acquired in the right-of-way since the street was vacated by operation of law.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby directed to record a certified copy of this ordinance with the office of the Pierce County Auditor.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect five days after passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Gig Harbor
this 25th day of April, 2005.

CITY OF GIG HARBOR

By:

Gretchen Wilbert, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

By: _____
Molly M. Towslee, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Office of the City Attorney:

By: _____
Carol A. Morris

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 4/6/05
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 4/25/05
PUBLISHED: 5/4/05
EFFECTIVE DATE: 5/9/05



Exhibit A

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PROPOSED
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

RIGHT-OF-WAY THAT WILL ATTACH BY OPERATION OF LAW TO SAVLOV ADJOINER FOLLOWING VACATION OF A PORTION OF PRENTICE AVENUE, GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON.

A PORTION OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, W.M., IN PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

THAT PORTION OF THE EAST HALF OF PRENTICE AVENUE (FORMERLY CHESTER STREET) AS DEPICTED ON THE PLAT OF WOODWORTH'S ADDITION TO GIG HARBOR, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 5 OF PLATS, PAGE 66, RECORDS OF PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, LYING BETWEEN THE WESTERLY PRODUCTION OF THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 3, BLOCK 1 OF SAID PLAT, AND THE WESTERLY PRODUCTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 OF SAID BLOCK.



