: 02/14/19 2:03 AM ;;;;BOSTON CITY COUNCIL ;;;;2/14/2019 **TEST CAPTION TEST CAPTION TEST CAPTION TEST CAPTION TEST CAPTION** GOLD STREET, SOUTH BOSTON, DATED NOVEMBER 9thñr, 2018". SPECIFICALLY CONTAINING ABOUT 6261 SQUARE FEET, THE DISCONTINUE PARCEL.ÑiÑiÑiÑiÑiÑiçóÑiñrxDçóxDñrxDçóñrñrñr MARTIN WALSH AND WALSH >> VICE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE OF PLANNING. I WILL CHAIR THIS WITH THE ABSENCE OF OUR CHAIR COUNSELOR WITH YOU. I'M JOINED TODAY BY MY COLLEAGUES. I'M NOT SURE THE ORDER. COUNCIL MICHAEL FLAHERTY AT LARGE AND DISTRICT 2, CITY COUNCILOR EDDIE FLYNN. I WANT TO REMOUND YOU THIS IS A PUB LUCK HEARING RECORDED AND BROADCASTED ON COMCAST 8. RCN82. 82/VERIZON 1914. STREAMED ON BOSTON.GOV/CITYCOUNCILTV. PLEASE TURN OFF CELLPHONES. WE WILL TAKE PUBLIC TESTIMONY. PLEASE SIGN IN AND CHECK THE BOX IF YOU WISH TO TESTIFY. TODAY'S HEARING IS ON DOCKET NUMBER 1007. message and order for your approval to authorize a sale of a certain portion of public way known as gold street, as shown on a plan of land entitled "city of Boston, public work department, engineering division, discountenance plan, gold street, south Boston, dated November 9th, 2018". Specifically containing about

6261 square feet, the

discontinue parcel.

WITH THAT I WOULD LIKE TO,

CHRIS, IF YOU COULD JUST STATE YOUR NAME.

>> YES.

CHRIS OSGOOD I'M MAYOR WALSH'S

CITY CHIEF AND AMY -- I WILL

GIVE A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE

ACTION BEFORE YOU.

AS YOU NOTED, COUNSELOR BAKER,

WE'RE LOOKING AT A SEGMENT OF

GOLD STREET FROM A STREET ABOUT

6200 SQUARE FEET IN TOTAL.

THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT

COMMISSION HEARD A PETITION BY

WEST BLOCK LLC AND THE CREDIT

UNION, THE ENTIRE BUTTERS TO THE

PARCEL ASKING TO DISCONTINUE

THIS PARCEL.

WE APPROVED THAT DECEMBER 6th,

201.

IT WAS APPROVED DECEMBER 6th,

2018 WITH THE IDEA OF AN

EASEMENT.

ESSENTIALLY A DRIVEWAY ACCESS ON

THE FIRST TWO-THIRDS.

THE BALANCE OF GOLD STREET AS

YOU GET TOWARDS THE BYPASS ROAD

IS OPEN SPACE.

WE HAVE RECEIVED AN APPRAISAL

FROM THE COMMISSIONER.

WE WILL SUBMIT THAT AND YOUR

ACTION WOULD ALLOW FOR THIS TO

BE SOLD.

>> OKAY.

GOOD MORNING, AMY.

ANYTHING --

>> NO, THAT'S PRETTY MUCH IT.

ALL THE ABUTTERS ARE HERE.

THE LAND IS OWNED BY THE CITY OF

BOSTON.

WE VERIFIED ALL UTILITIES IN THE

STREET HAVE BEEN TURNED

PRIVATE --

>> OKAY.

THAT'S IT.

OKAY.

JUST A QUICK QUESTION.

SO NO DEVELOPMENT ON THIS.

THIS WILL BE DRIVEWAY AND OPEN SPACE.

>> THAT'S CORRECT.

>> OKAY.

COUNCIL FLAHERTY.

>> VICE CHAIR, THANK YOU TO CHAIR THE KNOW SHE'S RUNNING LATE.

SHE CALLED FOR A EXPEDITED

HEARING.

COUNSELOR FLYNN AND I ARE

FAMILIAR WITH THE SITE.

WE ATTENDED A MEETING WITH THERE

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORK

OFFICIALS AND BOSTON RAIL

OFFICIALS.

IT'S SELF EXPLANATORY.

IT'S CURRENTLY I GUESS ACTING AS

A DRIVEWAY FOR TWO PROPERTIES.

20 WEST FIFTH STREET AND THE

MASS BAY CREDITñr UNION.

THE ROAD ENDS AT THE HALL ROAD.

IN IT'S CURRENT STATE IT'S

UNSAFE.

I WAS THERE THIS MORNING TO TAKE

PHOTOS TO CHAIR WITH CHAIR WOMAN

WU TO GET A SENSE AS TO ONE THE

AREA AND TWO HOW TREACHEROUS IT

IS AS YOU GET CLOSER TO THE

BRIDGE.

THE ROAD IS NOT COMPLIANT

BETWEEN THE STREETS AND THE

SIDEWALKS.

IT MAKES PERFECT SENSE OF THE

SUGGESTION OF THE PUBLIC

IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION.

ENJOYS MY FULL SUPPORT.

A BRIEF YATE YOUR TIME AND

ATTENTION, CHIEF AND AMY COMING

DOWN FOR TESTIMONY.

LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING THIS

MATTER PUT OUT SO WE CAN VOTE ON

IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR

FLAHERTY.

I WOULD LIKE TO REMEMBER WE HAVE

BEEN JOINED BY COUNSELOR

O'MALLEY AND COUNSELOR WITH YOU.

SHE WILL LET ME STAY IN THE

SEAT.

COUNSELORXD FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU TO COUNSELOR BAKER

TO CHAIRING THIS MEETING.

COUNSELOR FLAHERTY AND COUNSELOR

WITH YOU AS WELL AND O'MALLEY.

CHIEF, DOES -- IS THERE A PRICE

THAT THE CITY WILL GET FOR

SELLING THIS PIECEÇÓ OF PROPERTY.

>> THERE IS.

THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE AN APPRAISAL OF \$80,000.

THAT WILL BE ADMITTED FOR

ASSESSMENT AND APPROVAL.

- >> THE FEE.
- >> \$80,000.
- >> AND DOES THAT, DOES THAT SEEM REASONABLE.
- >> WE WILL MAKE SHOWER THE DEPARTMENT GETS THEIR RESPONSE TO YOU ON ADVANCE OF THE 27th. IF YOU CHOOSE TO VOTE THEN ON THIS.
- >> DO WE KNOW WHAT THE BENEFITS ARE TO THE CITY TO SELL THAT PARCEL OF LAND.
- >> **SURE**.

IT'S A SITUATION WHERE THIS STRETCH OF GOLD STREET IS SORT OF A, LITERALLY ONE BLOCK STRETCH.

ADVERTISE CONNECTED FROM OTHER SECTIONS OF GOLD STREET.

BOTHÑI ABUTTERS HAVE SIGNED OFF ON

INTEREST OF TRANSFORMATION.

IT'S TO MACH A BETTER STRETCH OF

OPEN SPACE AND TO COUNSELOR

FLAHERTY'S POINT IT'S A DRIVEWAY

FOR THEIR PARCELS.

THEY'RE WILLING TO INVEST AND IMPROVE THE OPEN SPACE AND ROAD STRUCTURE.

>> I HAVE HAD A OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT SEVERAL TIMES WITH COUNCIL FLAHERTY AND CITY OFFICIALS AS WELL.

I'M ALSO IN SUPPORT OF WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE, SELL THE PARCEL OF LAND TO THIS GROUP HERE.

I DON'T HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS.

>> OKAY.

THANK YOU.

- >> THANK YOU.
- >> SO, QUICK QUESTION.

ARE BOTH PARTIES GOING TO INVEST

IN THIS, IN THE PARCEL?

>> BOTH PAERGTS WILL CO OWN AND

HAVE A CROSS EASEMENT FOR

ACCESS.

>>Ñi OKAY.

THANK YOU.

>> WITH THAT I WOULD LIKE TO --

COUNSELOR O'MALLEY IS GOOD.

COUNSELOR WITH YOU.

>> THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

I APOLOGIZE FOR MISSING ANY

PRESENTATION EARLIER.

SO, IT IS GOING TO BE JUST FOR

THESE TWO PROPERTY OWNERS TO

EXPANDED THE SPACE TO NAVIGATE

VEHICLES INTO THE VARIOUS

PARKING LOTS.

>> THE 20 WEST FIFTH PROPERTY IS

GETTING REDEVELOPED.

THIS WILL ULTIMATELY BE THE AGO

ASSESS TO THE UNDERGROUND

GARAGE.

>> OKAY.

LSEE.

>>Ñi IT CURRENTLY HAS ACCESS TO A

MASS BAY CREDIT UNION PARKING

LOT THAT WILL REMAIN.

>> OKAY.

WHY PURSUE DISCOUNTENANCE

**INSTEAD OF A EASEMENT?** 

>> THE WIDTH OF THE STREET

DOESN'T MOAT MODERN STREETçó

STANDARDS FOR ACCESSIBLE

SIDEWALKS.

IT WOULD DEAD END NO THE GARAGE.

THEY WOULD BE FORCED TO BACK

OUT.

WE WOULD ALSO STRUGGLE TO MEET

OUR FIRE AND EMERGENCY VEHICLE

DIMENSIONS AND HAVE ALL

APPROPRIATE ACCESS TO THE

PARKING LOTS AND GARAGES.

>> OKAY.

SO EFFECTIVELY THIS WILL BE --

DEAD ENDED ANYWAYS.

SO THE PUBLIC IN TERMS OF --

>> THESE TWO PAR SELLS.

>> OKAY.

>> IT WILL CONTINUE IN THE

FUTURE.

>> OKAY.

CAN YOU, CAN YOU JUST STATE ONE

MORE TIME.

I MISSED IT CHIEF.

THE \$10,000 IS BOTH PROPERTY

OPENERS.

THAT WAS BASED OP ASSESS PHEPT

DONE BY --

>> I BELIEVE FOR THE PETITIONER

THAT WILL GET THROUGH THE

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

>> OKAY.

THANK YOU, VERY MUCH.

>> ANY QUESTIONS FROM MY

COLLEAGUES.

>> I DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

>> THANK YOU.

WITH THAT THIS HEARING IS --

PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

SO AT THAT POINT THIS HEARING IS

ADJOURNED.