



City Council Agenda Bill

20092

Bill Number

Subject: Padden Creek Daylighting - 20th Street Permanent Closure, EV-0004

Summary Statement: The Padden Creek Daylighting project will daylight the creek into a natural channel approximately 2,600 feet long of open channel habitat. The City of Bellingham proposes to permanently close the block of 20th Street between Wilson Avenue and Old Fairhaven Parkway. The land will become part of the new creek, riparian corridor and a bioretention swale for stormwater treatment. Permanent closure of this block will eliminate the need for a culvert bridge and assist in the channel placement of the natural watercourse. A public hearing has been scheduled for Monday, September 16, 2013.

Previous Council Action:

Fiscal Impact: Estimated savings of \$350,000 Culvert Bridge is eliminated.

Funding Source: Centennial Clean Water Grant, Pollution Control Revolving Fund Loan, local funds

Attachments: Vicinity Map
Staff Report
Written Comments Received by Staff
Ordinance
City Council Public Hearing Notice - written comment received by Council

Meeting Activity	Meeting Date	Staff Recommendation	Presented By	Time
Public Hearing Council Vote Requested	16-Sep-2013	Pass Ordinance	Ted Carlson, Public Works Director	10
Third and Final Ordinance	30-Sep-2013	Pass Ordinance		

Council Committee:

Agenda Bill Contact:

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Reviewed By	Initials	Date
<i>TC</i> Ted Carlson, PW Director	<i>TC</i>	9/10/13
Legal Mayor	<i>MJS</i> <i>KL/DA</i>	9/10/13 9/10/13

Committee Actions:

Council Action:

9/16/13 Public hearing held.
KNUTSON / SNAPP moved approval for first and second reading. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.
BORNEMANN excused.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM RELATING TO THE PERMANENT CLOSURE OF 20TH STREET FROM WILSON AVENUE TO OLD FAIRHAVEN PARKWAY TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PADDEN CREEK DAYLIGHTING PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Bellingham is nearing the construction phase in its Padden Creek Daylighting Project, which will create a natural surface stream with a riparian buffer in place of an existing underground tunnel between 22nd Street and 18th Street along Old Fairhaven Parkway; and

WHEREAS, construction of the Padden Creek Daylighting Project will result in Padden Creek flowing through a segment of 20th Street, specifically from Wilson Avenue to Old Fairhaven Parkway, and therefore requires this segment of 20th Street to be permanently closed to motor vehicle traffic; and

WHEREAS, the segment of 20th Street proposed to be closed is a City street located entirely within aa City-controlled public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Padden Creek Daylighting Project is a priority for the City; and

WHEREAS, the Padden Creek Daylighting Project is a priority as described in the Happy Valley Neighborhood Plan; and

WHEREAS, City Council held a public hearing on the proposed permanent closure of 20th Street from Wilson Avenue to Old Fairhaven Parkway at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 16, 2013; and

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that the proposed permanent closure of 20th Street from Wilson Avenue to Old Fairhaven Parkway to facilitate construction of the Padden Creek Daylighting Project is in the best interest of the City and its citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

To facilitate construction of the Padden Creek Daylighting Project, 20th Street between Wilson Avenue and Old Fairhaven Parkway will be permanently closed to motor vehicle traffic, effective 15 days after final passage of this ordinance.

PASSED by the Council this _____ day of _____, 2013.

Council President

City of Bellingham
City Attorney
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APPROVED by me this _____ day of _____, 2013.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Office of the City Attorney

Published:
