



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Intergovernmental Relations

Date: July 12, 2013

To: Council Vice President Robert Lilligren and IGR Chair Elizabeth Glidden

Referral to: Committee of the Whole – IGR Subcommittee

Subject: Special legislation regarding the park dedication fee that was included in Laws 2013 Chapter 85 Article 5 Section 43 (Omnibus Jobs and Economic Development Appropriations law).

Recommendation: Approve, by resolution, the special legislation and direct city staff to file a copy of the resolution and required forms with the Secretary of State. A copy of the resolution and legislation is attached.

Department Information

Prepared by: IGR Staff

Approved by: _____

Presenters in Committee: Gene Ranieri, IGR Director

Supporting Information

A special law is a law passed by the Legislature that names local government unit to which the law applies. The process to approve a special law is contained in Minnesota Statutes Section 645.021. Subdivision 2 of the section requires the governing body named in the bill to approve the bill by resolution. Subdivision 3 requires the city to file prior to the start of the next legislative session a copy of the resolution and supporting forms with the Secretary of State.

In approving the special law the city is making the law effective. Subsequent city council actions may be needed to use the authority contained in the law.

The 2013 special law is an amendment to the Minneapolis park dedication fee law first enacted in 2006 and amended in 2008. The 2013 amendments clarify that the fee can be imposed in conjunction with the construction permit and that a flat fee may be set per net new residential unit(s).

In addition to the local approval requirements of the effective date clause, the legislation provides that "no dedication of land or collection of park dedication fees can be effective until after December 31, 2013.