



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: June 17, 2014

To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral To: Honorable John Quincy, Chair Ways & Means Committee

Subject: **Agreement with Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority for Public Infrastructure Improvements**

Recommendation:

1. That the proper City officials are authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority (MSFA) for public infrastructure improvements related to the Minnesota Multi-purpose Stadium Project, including street lighting and traffic signal installation. Both the City and MSFA propose to cooperatively participate in the cost of these improvements in accordance with the following:
 - Street lights and traffic signal construction estimated in the amount of \$593,142.25 will be paid for from existing City funds for street lighting and traffic signals in 04100-9010943, traffic signals project CTR1421.
 - Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority shall reimburse the City for Street Lighting, Traffic Signal, interconnect, signage materials testing and as-built drawings estimated in the amount of \$1,545,548.57.
2. Amend Capital Budget resolution 2013R-573 by increasing the capital appropriation and revenue source 321513 in 04100-9010943, project CTR1421 by \$1,545,548.57.

The agreement also covers certain key items that the MSFA will construct at their expense as mitigation for removing 5th Street S and testing and inspection of the MSFA's work on related public infrastructure. The total estimated cost related to this agreement is \$2,613,708.82 which consists of the \$593,142.25 City portion and a \$2,020,566.57 MSFA portion. The MSFA portion consists of the estimated \$1,545,548.57 payment to the City and an estimated \$475,018.00 of work on related public infrastructure which MSFA will contract to complete. See Appendix A.

Previous Directives:

- February 25, 2014: Approval of the request to proceed with a formal request for a variance from Municipal State Aid (MSA) for the parking lane width on the south side of 6th St S from Chicago Ave to 11th Ave S.

- August 30, 2013: Approval of the request to construct the Minnesota Multi-Purpose Stadium subject to conditions, mitigation measures, and final review and approvals by the City of Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development Director and the Public Works Director as per the recommendation of the Stadium Implementation Committee.
- August 16, 2013: Approval of comments relating to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Minnesota Multi-Purpose Stadium Project, for submittal to the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority (MSFA).
- June 29, 2013: Resolution 2012R-354, Appointed City representatives to the Stadium Implementation Committee and related actions.
- June 15, 2013: Resolution 2012R-330, Appointed additional City representatives to the Stadium Implementation Committee and related actions.

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Reviews

Permanent Review Committee	Approval NA Date _____
Civil Rights Approval	Approval NA Date _____
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval NA Date _____

Financial Impact *(delete all lines not applicable to your request)*

Appropriation Increase of \$1,545,548.57 to be reimbursed by the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority through an agreement.
 Action is within the Business Plan

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification: The MSFA held a stadium preconstruction public meeting on January 9, 2014, an environmental scoping public meeting for the new Minnesota Multi-Purpose Stadium on October 23, 2012 and a DEIS public meeting on May 22, 2013.
- City Goals: The City’s infrastructure will be well maintained; people will feel safe in the City: a connected network of transportation options; Minneapolis’ neighborhoods will have unique identities and character, plentiful green spaces and public gathering areas.
- Comprehensive Plan: Policy 9.13 Minneapolis will restore and maintain the traditional street grid. The project’s legislation “found and declared that the construction of a stadium within the development area is consistent with the adopted area plan, is the preferred stadium location, and is a permitted land use.” Minn. Stat. § 473J.17, subd. 6.
- Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

The construction of the Minnesota Multi-Purpose Stadium requires that the current configuration of 5th and 6th Street from Chicago Avenue to 11th Avenue be realigned and that part of the existing right-of-way be vacated. The proposed cross-section within the 80 feet of right-of-way that will remain from Chicago to 11th Avenue will provide 3 lanes of eastbound traffic and one reverse flow lane of westbound traffic plus a parking lane on the south side of the street. The existing sidewalk will remain on the south side of the street. There will also be a boulevard/sidewalk area of approximately 15 feet in width provided within the right-of-way on the north side of the street. The Stadium Implementation Committee approved a conceptual cross-section as part of its approval of the stadium design.

As part of the FEIS and mitigation for the removal of 5th St S, the MSFA will design modifications and or new traffic signals at the following intersections, 6th St S/Carew Drive, 6th St S/10th Ave S, 6th St S/11th Ave S, 6th St S/Park Ave S, 6th St S/Chicago Ave S, 5th St S/11th Ave S. Upon review and approval by the City of Minneapolis Traffic and Parking Services division, city forces in coordination with MSFA's contractor will install said traffic signals and lighting during the street reconstruction phase of the project. MSFA will reimburse the City for the actual cost of the work according to the proportions stated in the agreement. Estimated payment amounts from the MSFA to the City are also provided in the agreement.

Next Steps

MSFA is anticipated to submit an offer letter for purchase of the City's real properties along 4th and 5th Streets S. Subsequent to receiving the offer letter and holding a public hearing at the Planning Commission, staff will return to your committee with a recommendation regarding the conveyance of the City real properties to the MSFA. Staff will also visit the Zoning and Planning Committee with a recommendation regarding the vacation of City right-of-way and retainage of City easements for sanitary sewer and bike paths.

Attachments: MOU with Appendix A and Appendix B
Signal Map

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