



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

Date: January 20, 2015

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

Subject: **Authorization to Execute Three Permanent and One Temporary Easement with the Minnesota Sports Facility Authority (MSFA)**

Recommendation:

Authorize the proper City officials to execute the necessary documents from the MSFA to implement a Bicycle Trail along the south side of the County property at 530 Chicago Ave S.

1. A permanent Bicycle Trail easement.
2. A permanent Sanitary Sewer access easement.
3. A permanent Sanitary Sewer easement.
4. A temporary Transportation easement over 5th Street S (which will be vacated).

Previous Directives:

June 27, 2014 – Authorize the proper City officers 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.

March 7, 2014 – Resolution 2014R-087, Directing the City Engineer to proceed with a variance request from State Aid Rule Chapter 8820 for the width of the parking lane on the south side of 6th Street 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 MSFA.

June 29, 2013 - Resolution 2012R-354, Appointing additional City representatives to the Stadium Implementation Committee and related actions.

June 15, 2013 - Resolution 2012R-330, Appointing City representatives to the Stadium Implementation Committee and related actions.

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Approved by: _____
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Presenters in Committee: Dennis Morris, Right of Way Supervisor

Community Impact

City Goals: Great Places - Natural and built spaces work together and our environment is protected.

Supporting Information

In conjunction with the construction of the new sports stadium being built by the Metropolitan Sports Facility Authority (MSFA), the City of Minneapolis seeks to acquire four separate easements from the MSFA to complete infrastructure development. The Easement map and description are attached as Exhibits.

Item 1. Permanent Bicycle Trail Easement. As part of the plaza construction on the 6th St S side of the Stadium, there will be a public bike trail installed between 11th Ave S and Chicago Ave. The cost of the easement is deducted from the appraised value of the property and is \$365,971. The Easement map and description are attached as Exhibit "1" and "1a".

Item 2. Permanent Sanitary Sewer Access Easement. The City has an existing Sanitary Sewer easement along the West property line of the MSFA Stadium site. Current access to the Sewer access manholes is from Chicago Avenue at 4th St S. The newly constructed plaza on the West side of the Stadium will have several tiers of steps and rails which will restrict access to the manholes. At no cost to the City, the MSFA is granting an easement to access the Sanitary Sewer from 4th St S. The Easement map and description are attached as Exhibit "2" and "2a".

Item 3. Permanent Sanitary Sewer Easement. There will be some adjustments to the existing sanitary sewer at the Southwest corner of the Stadium site. This necessitates a modification of the existing sanitary sewer easement. The Easement map and description are attached as Exhibit "3" and "3a".

Item 4. Temporary Transportation Easement. There will be a period of time between the reconstruction of 6th St S and the vacation and closure of 5th St S. For that brief transitional time the City needs to keep a transportation easement over the vacated portion of 5th St S. The easement will expire once all vehicle and pedestrian travel has been successfully transferred onto the newly constructed 6th St S. The area of the easement is shown in Exhibit "4".

Attachment: Exhibit "1" and "1a" Bike Trail Design Plan
Exhibit "2" and "2a" Sanitary Sewer Access
Exhibit "3" and "3a" Sanitary Sewer
Exhibit "4" Transportation Easement

cc: Don Elwood, Public Works