



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

Date: May 19, 2015
To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: Gateway Park/2nd Street Bicycle Connection Trail Easement

Recommendation:

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into negotiations and execute an agreement for the acquisition of trail easements with the Towers Condominium Association, the abutting property owners.

Previous Directives:

December 6, 2013 – Increase the Net Debt Bond appropriation and revenue budget in the amount of \$220,000 in 04100-9010937-CBIK025 (Gateway Park bicycle connection).

Department Information

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Approved by: _____
Steven A. Kotke, P.E., Director of Public Works

Presenters in Committee: Meseret Wolana, P.E., Project Engineer

Financial Impact

Action is within the approved budget.

Community Impact

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

Supporting Information

The Gateway Park/2nd Street bicycle connection from Hennepin Avenue to 2nd Avenue South and the restriping of 2nd Street North from 1st to 3rd Avenue North is a sub-project within the Bluff Street Trail project budgeted at \$220,000.

This bicycle trail connection will cross Gateway Park and private property. Proper surface transportation trail easements and/or agreements are needed. Public works is seeking to

enter into negotiations and execute an agreement or easement for the trail from Gateway Park to Marquette Avenue with the abutting property owners, the Towers Condominium Association.

The Gateway Park/2nd Street bicycle connection project consists of eliminating the existing stairs and constructing an ADA accessible ramp including a metal hand rail, concrete removal and placement, a skate board deterrent device, signs and pavement markings. Public Works has presented this plan to the property owners, who have responded positively and supportively.

Attachment: Location Map, Exhibit

cc: Council Member Frey, Ward 3

T&PW – Your committee recommends authorizing the proper City officers to enter into negotiations and execute an agreement for the acquisition of trail easements with the Towers Condominium Association, the abutting property owners.