



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

Date: July 14, 2015

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

Subject: **6th Avenue North (5th Street to dead end north of Washington) Paving Project No 6699 – parking restrictions**

Recommendation:

Passage of a resolution ordering the City Engineer to install parking restrictions on the easterly side of 6th Avenue North beginning 65-feet north of the northerly curb line on 3rd Street thence extending northerly 184-feet along the easterly side of 6th Avenue North to a point 118-feet from the southerly curb line along Washington Avenue per the City Council approved layout to meet State Aid Rule 8820.

Previous Directives:

March 20, 2015 – Council adoption of Transportation and Public Works report approving the project layout and authorizing negotiation with private property owners to acquire and execute easements and additional right-of-way if necessary.

July 1, 2011 – Council adoption of Transportation and Public Works report authorizing proper city officers to submit a series of applications for Federal SAFETEA-LU (Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users) funds passed through the state.

Department Information:

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Financial Impact

Action is within the approved budget.

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification

- Minneapolis Warehouse District Historic District Design Guidelines and Warehouse District Heritage Street Plan completed in February 2010 and September 2011, respectively.
- Meeting with the North Loop Neighborhood Association – September 2014.
- Two Neighborhood public informational meetings - 10/6/2014 and 1/21/2015
- PAC meeting and presentation – 1/15/2015
- Meetings with business owners, September 2014 through January 2015

City Goals

- Living well: Minneapolis is safe and livable and has an active and connected way of life.
- A hub of economic activity and innovation: Business – big and small – start, move, stay and grow here.
- Great Places: Natural and built spaces work together and our environment is protected.

Background/Supporting Information

Currently on 6th Avenue North in the project area, there is a mix of no-parking, parallel parking, and angled parking. The approved layout includes 11-foot wide driving lanes with adjacent 8-foot wide parallel parking areas. There will no longer be any angled parking.

To meet Municipal State Aid requirements, prohibiting parking along a portion of the east side of 6th Avenue between 3rd Street and Washington Avenue is necessary as shown on the attached No Parking Exhibit. The street is narrower and will not accommodate parking due to the loading docks that protrude from the building in this area.

Accordingly, we recommend establishment of No Parking Anytime on the easterly side of 6th Avenue North beginning 65-feet north of the northerly curb line on 3rd Street thence extending northerly 184-feet along the easterly side of 6th Avenue North to a point 118-feet from the southerly curb line along Washington Avenue.

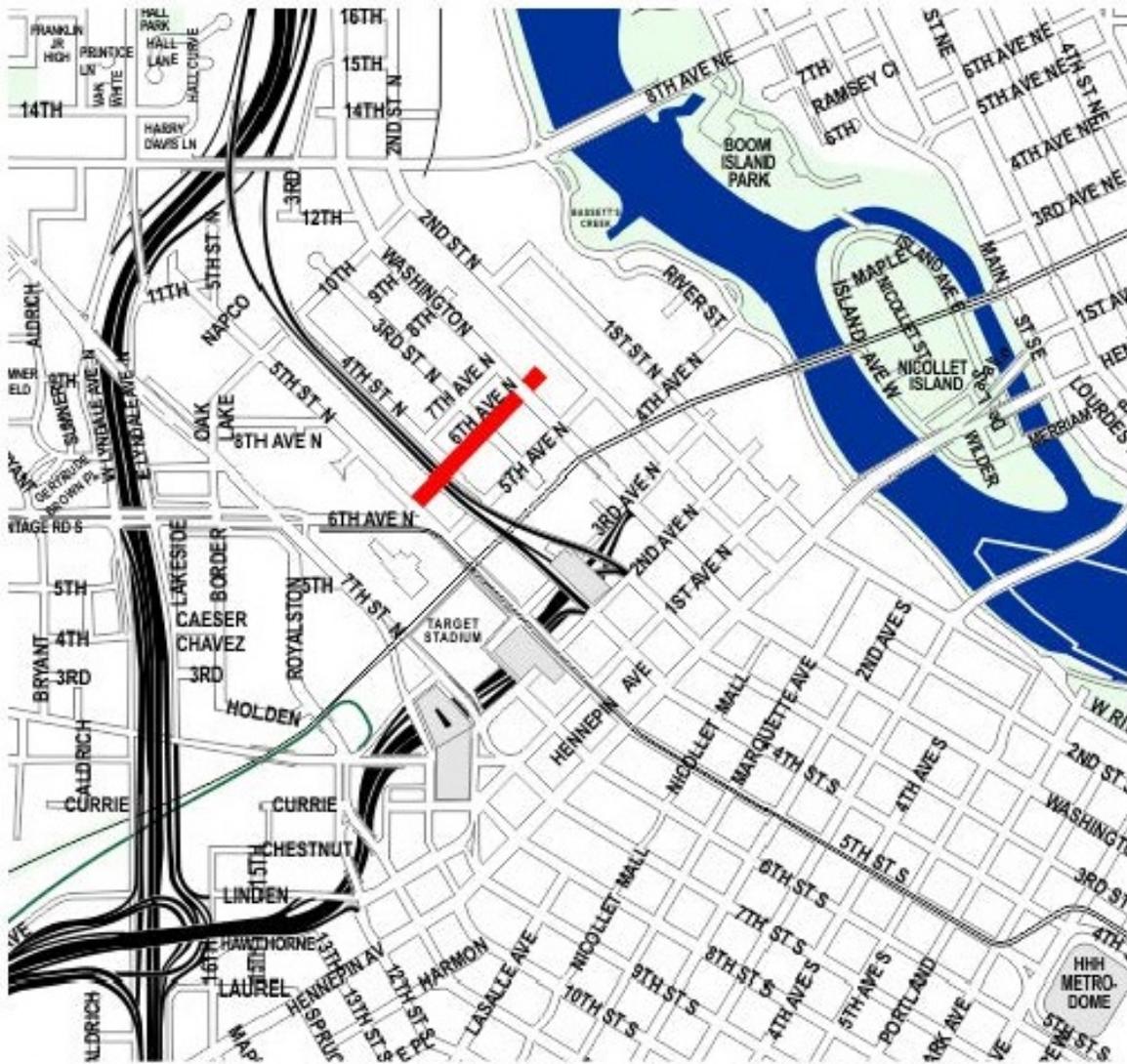
Attachment 1- Project Location Map

Attachment 2 – No Parking Exhibit

cc: Council Member Frey – Ward 3
Council Member Yang – Ward 5

ATTACHMENT 1

PROJECT MAP



 Project



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Directing the City Engineer to establish no parking restrictions on 6th Avenue North between 3rd Street and Washington Avenue.

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis has planned for the improvement of 6th Avenue North, State Aid Route No. 220, from 5th Street to the dead end north of Washington Avenue in the City of Minneapolis; and,

Whereas, The City Council has approved the layout for the 6th Avenue North Paving Project; and,

Whereas, The City will be expending Municipal State Aid Funds on the improvements of this street; and,

Whereas, Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) State Aid Rule 8820 requires parking provisions to meet the existing average daily traffic and peak hour traffic volumes and a minimum number of drive lanes, land widths and parking width; and,

Whereas, to meet State Aid Rule 8820, the City recommends establishing No Parking Anytime on the easterly side of 6th Avenue North beginning 65-feet north of the northerly curb line on 3rd Street thence extending northerly 184-feet along the easterly side of 6th Avenue North to a point 118-feet from the southerly curb line along Washington Avenue; and,

Whereas, State Aid rules require a certified resolution documenting the requested action:

Now, Therefore, Be IT Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City Engineer is hereby directed to install the parking restrictions and to submit this resolution to the Commissioner of Transportation to meet State Aid Rule 8820.