



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

Date: July 10, 2007
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: None

Subject: Acceptance of permanent trail easement

Recommendation: Authorize the City Engineer, Director of Public Works to execute the necessary documents to acquire a permanent easement.

Previous Directives: December 13, 2004 Resolution 2004R-580, Capital Improvement Program 2005 – 2009.

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Approved by:

Steven A. Kotke, P.E., Director of Public Works

Presenters: Dennis Morris, Right of Way Supervisor
Robb Urquhart, Engineer II

Permanent Review Committee (PRC) Approval _____ Not applicable X

Policy review Group (PRG) Approval _____ Not applicable X

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- X No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
 Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
 Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
 Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
 Action requires use of contingency or reserves
 Business Plan: Action is within the plan. Action requires a change to plan.
 Other financial impact (Explain):

 Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification:

City Goals:

Comprehensive Plan:

Zoning Code:

Background/Supporting Information.

During construction of the Northeast Diagonal Trail project it was determined that there was a need to align the trail on a portion of Stinson Boulevard that had recently been vacated by the City of Minneapolis. The property owner, ERP Stinson Associates, LLC was very cooperative and agreed to grant the City, at no cost, a temporary construction easement and a permanent trail easement.

The acquisition of permanent easements requires approval of the City Council. Since this easement was not anticipated as part of the design layout and project approval process we are seeking Council approval at this time.

Attached: Easement document

Map depicting easement area

City Map

Cc: Robb Urquhart, Engineer II

T&PW: Your committee, having reviewed the need to acquire a permanent easement for construction of the Northeast Diagonal Trail Project, hereby recommends that the proper City Officer(s) be authorized to execute the necessary documents for the acceptance of a permanent trail easement from ERP Stinson Associates, LLC.