



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

**Date:** December 13, 2005  
**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee  
**Subject:** **Set a Method of Sale and Set a Public Hearing Date for the Proposed Sale of Excess Land at 3802 Calhoun Parkway West**

### Recommendations:

That the city-owned land at 3802 Calhoun Parkway West be sold by the method of private sale to the adjacent owner. Further, that Transportation & Public Works set a Public Hearing time certain for January 4, 2006 regarding this sale. The land is legally described as part of Lots 1 and 2, Block 10, Cottage City.

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**Approved by:**

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Klara A. Fabry, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

**Presenter:** Steven A. Kotke, Deputy Director of Public Works for Internal Services

### Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- 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
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

### Background/Supporting Information:

The City of Minneapolis owns a vacant parcel at 3802 Calhoun Parkway West. The property has an irregular shape and is deeply sloped. The land is shown on the attached maps.

Public Works recently received an offer to purchase the property for \$40,000 from the adjacent owner. Under this offer, the City's parcel would be combined with The Biltmore on Lake Calhoun housing development currently under construction. According to CPED staff, the City's lot meets the technical requirements for a buildable lot even though it is unlikely that the parcel could be separately developed, given the site conditions. Therefore, it makes sense to restrict the sale of this property to adjacent owners only.

City Ordinance section 14.120 requires that a public hearing be conducted before any city-owned real estate is sold. We recommend that a time certain be set for the public hearing for the Transportation & Public Works Committee meeting on January 4, 2006. The details of the proposed sale will be presented to your Committee during that public hearing.

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