



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

Date: October 9, 2007
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Referral to: None
Subject: Right of Way easement, 2414 Park Avenue

Recommendation: Approve acceptance a right of way easement deed from LSS Park Avenue Apartments Limited Partnership at no cost to the City of Minneapolis.

Previous Directives: None

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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

Background/Supporting Information.

By City Council Resolution dated July 22, 1887, Oakland Avenue was opened as a 60-foot right of way, taking 10 feet from the abutting Lots 1 through 6, Block 2, Park Avenue Addition to Minneapolis. In November, 1887, the City Council appointed Commissioners to determine the value of the taking, and on January 20, 1888, the City Council adopted the findings of the Commissioners.

The property owners, Lutheran Welfare Society (Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota) as part of a redevelopment of the site, have created a Registered Land Survey for the property, including the part taken in 1888, so that all of the property will be under Torrens title, and not split between Torrens and Abstract.

This Registered Land Survey includes Tract "G" which is part of Oakland Avenue, measuring 10 feet, east and west, by 98.74 feet, north and south. This area was formerly legally described as Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Park Avenue Addition to Minneapolis, and it was a portion of the part taken in 1887-88 to widen Oakland Avenue.

This is a technical title change only, and it will have no effect on the City of Minneapolis right of way, and County maps will continue to show Oakland at its full 60-foot width.

The City of Minneapolis will pay document recording fees to Hennepin County of \$1.70.

See attached map depicting the subject area.

