

Council Agenda Item 25-0722R



MEETING DATE: September 22, 2025

SUBJECT/TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO REQUEST AND ACCEPT FROM ST. LOUIS COUNTY, ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, CERTAIN TAX FORFEITED LAND TO BE USED FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

SUBMITTED BY: Danielle Erjavec, Senior Property Services Specialist

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BACKGROUND: The purpose of this resolution is to authorize the request of and accept certain tax-forfeited parcels (the "Parcels") from St. Louis County, on behalf of the State of Minnesota to be used for road purposes.

The Parcels are two lots abutting Lanigan Blvd. in the Smithville neighborhood. The City doesn't have a legal way for plow and emergency vehicles to turnaround on Lanigan Blvd.—if the Parcels are acquired, the City can construct and maintain a turnaround for such vehicles.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: The acquisition of the Parcel will be a free conveyance under Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 1a(e)(i). The City will be responsible for paying the state's administrative costs, recording fees and deed tax associated with the transaction, which are estimated to be between \$750-1,000; payable from Fund 110-500-1930-2300-5303.

OPTIONS: Approve resolution so the City can acquire the Parcels or the City will not have a way to turnaround plow and emergency vehicles in a safe and legal manner at the end of Lanigan Blvd.

NECESSARY ACTION: Authorize acquisition of the property

ATTACHMENTS: Exhibit A, Map