

# Council Agenda Item 26-0471R



**MEETING DATE:** May 26, 2026

**SUBJECT/TITLE:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE IRVING NEIGHBORHOOD FROM MINNESOTA POWER, A DIVISION OF ALLETE, INC. FOR \$100, PLUS ASSOCIATED COSTS.

**SUBMITTED BY:** Danielle Erjavec, Senior Property Services Specialist

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** N/A

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:** This resolution authorizes the acquisition of certain real property in the Irving neighborhood located adjacent to 59th Ave. W. between Main St. and Polk St. (the "Property") from Minnesota Power, a division of ALLETE, Inc., a Minnesota corporation, for \$100 under the terms and conditions of the purchase agreement attached as Exhibit 1. The Property is vacant land that lies adjacent to other city-owned property.

The City desires to acquire the Property to use in connection with an upcoming project titled Keene Creek Green Stormwater Infrastructure Biofiltration Basin, which includes construction of a biofiltration basin near 59th Ave. W. and Main Street in an effort to provide stormwater treatment to the highly urbanized 85-acre Keene Creek watershed (the "Project"). In addition, the City will vegetate the area with native plants and utilize a bio-char amended filter media to treat diverted stormwater flows from a stormwater conveyance system before discharging into the Keene Creek Trout Stream. The State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources acquired a grant to fund this project. Once constructed, the infrastructure will be owned and maintained by the Department of Public Works and Utilities.

The Property is depicted in blue on the map attached as Exhibit 2, with the existing city-owned property highlighted in red. The red and blue properties will be used in connection with the Project.

**BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT:** \$100, plus additional costs for deed tax and recording fees. The total anticipated costs are less than \$500; payable from 535-500-1905-5535.

**OPTIONS:** Authorize acquisition or the City will not be able to construction the Project as currently designed.

**NECESSARY ACTION:** Approve resolution

**ATTACHMENTS:** Exhibit I, Purchase Agreement; Exhibit 2, Map

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