

Council Agenda Item 26-0720R



MEETING DATE: August 10, 2026

SUBJECT/TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PERMIT FROM ST. LOUIS COUNTY, FOR THE TEMPORARY USE OF PROPERTY ABUTTING ST. MARIE ST. IN THE CHESTER PARK-UMD NEIGHBORHOOD, AT NO COST TO THE CITY.

SUBMITTED BY: Danielle Erjavec, Senior Property Services Specialist

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTIONS: 26-0601 – 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 IN THE CHESTER PARK-UMD NEIGHBORHOOD TO BE USED FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

BACKGROUND: This resolution authorizes a permit, substantially the same as the agreement attached as Exhibit 1, from St. Louis County, on behalf of the State of Minnesota, for the temporary use of certain real property abutting St. Marie St. in the Chester Park-UMD neighborhood, at no cost to the City. The permit is needed to make improvements related to the Campus Connector Segment 5 project.

The City will be constructing a shared use path on St. Marie St. between Woodland Avenue and Vermillion Road. The 50-foot wide stretch of St. Marie St. between Wallace Avenue and Vermillion Road abuts two tax-forfeit parcels, which the City is acquiring portions thereof. The City Council previously authorized the acquisition of the property subject to this permit under Resolution No. 26-0601, but the acquisition process takes 3-6 months. The City needs permission in advance of the acquisition to perform certain elements of the project, and this permit allows the City to proceed with plan approval and bidding without any delays.

The term of this permit is through December 31, 2027, which is required under the funding source for the project; although it will terminate upon the City's acquisition of the property. The permit requires the City to indemnify St. Louis County. Council approval of the permit is needed for these two reasons.

The property subject to the permit is depicted on Exhibits A and B attached to Exhibit 1.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: None

OPTIONS: Authorize the Permit or the plan approval and bidding for the project will be delayed

NECESSARY ACTION: Approve resolution

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ATTACHMENTS: Exhibit 1, Permit