

HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL

World Trade Center Ramp Easement 475 Cedar Street



WTC Ramp

- Located at 475 Cedar St.
- Owned by the HRA
- Property includes
 - All alley access at Wabasha St.
 - Portion of alley
 - Partial alley access at Cedar St.





- Request for easement received October 2023
- Purchaser's title work showed no official right of access via alley to back of Central Towers building
- Staff research showed an easement with Central Towers from 1997 which had expired





2023 Central Towers Request



- Central Towers request:
 - Access Easement
 - In-Line Parking Easement
- HRA request in exchange:
 - Reciprocal Access Easement
 - Reduce from 12 to 6 spaces
 in WTC Ramp
 - Maintenance responsibilities



2019 MPR Easement

 HRA approved similar easement with Minnesota Public Radio (MPR) (now owned by Exchange Street Holdings LLC) for Fitzgerald Theater property on February 27, 2019







Additional Information

- City Attorney's Office
 - Mutual indemnification each party will indemnify the other for anything arising from their own use – is reasonable given mutual granting of easements and limited risk involved
- Parking Manager & Parking Operator
 - There have been no issues with in-line parking in the alley along the WTC Ramp but we should have an agreement in place
- Fire Department:
 - Familiar with area, hasn't been an issue, and no problem with the draft easement as written



Questions?