

**HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA**

REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONERS

DATE: JANUARY 12, 2022

REGARDING: GRANTING A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OVER A PORTION OF HRA OWNED PROPERTY AT 145 SMITH AVENUE, SAINT PAUL. PLANNING DISTRICT 17, WARD 2

Requested Board Action:

Authorize grant of temporary easement to MnDOT for trunk highway purposes and to install ADA-accessible pedestrian ramps (“Project”) adjacent to HRA-owned property located at 145 Smith Avenue (location of the Smith Avenue parking garage). Accepting compensation of \$43,450 from MnDOT for temporary easement purposes.

Background:

MnDOT is installing ADA-accessible pedestrian ramps along a trunk highway adjacent to the Smith Avenue parking garage (see attached Right of Way Parcel Layout), requiring the temporary use of a portion of the HRA-owned property until December 1, 2023. This temporary easement will have no impact on the operation of the parking garage.

Budget Action:

Accepting \$43,450 as a fair and reasonable value for the purchase of the easement as determined by an appraisal and agreed to between the City and MnDOT.

Future Action: N/A

Financing Structure: N/A

PED Credit Committee Review: N/A

Compliance: N/A

Green/Sustainable Development: N/A

Environmental Impact Disclosure: N/A

Historic Preservation: N/A

Public Purpose/Comprehensive Plan Conformance:

The MnDOT Project will improve pedestrian accessibility in the area adjacent to the Smith Avenue parking garage.

Statement of Chairman (for Public Hearing)

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval to grant temporary easement to MnDOT for trunk highway purposes and to install ADA accessible pedestrian ramps.

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Attachments

- **Right of Way Parcel Layout**
- **Temporary Easement between the HRA and the State of MN**
- **D17 Downtown Neighborhood Profile**