

RESOLUTION # 14-03
CenturyLink Parkland Diversion in Highland and Lexington Parkways

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission ("Commission") is an appointed body established to advise the Mayor and City Council on long-range and City-wide matters related to the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, Section 13.01.1 of the City Charter requires that the Commission review any diversion or disposal of park property and present a recommendation to the Saint Paul City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation, owns City parkway land, known as Highland Parkway – south side, just east of Snelling Avenue, and Lexington Parkway – west side, at the Montcalm Estates driveway and at the Randolph Avenue intersection; and

WHEREAS, CenturyLink, Inc., headquartered at 100 CenturyLink Drive, Monroe, Louisiana, 71203, is requesting parkland diversion on and under the parkways as shown on the attached maps, for the purpose of installing a direct bored telecommunications cable / conduit with no above ground facilities; and

WHEREAS, said diversion would be granted as a license to use the land for the direct bored cable / conduit installation, related facilities such as handholds and operations, and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation has determined that the park land is of an adequate width for installation and maintenance, that existing facilities on, above and below ground will not be disturbed, that no above ground facilities will be installed for this purpose, and recommends Commission support the request; and,

WHEREAS, that CenturyLink further warrants that it will restore any damaged facilities, including maintenance of any plantings impacted by construction and maintenance until healthy and accepted by city staff; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission concurs with the request to divert a portion of City parkways known as Highland Parkway –south side, just east of Snelling Avenue, and Lexington Parkway-west side, at the Montcalm Estates driveway and at the Randolph Avenue intersection, per the attached documents, and in accordance with City Charter Section 13.01.1 recommends approval by the Saint Paul City Council.

Adopted by the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission on February 12, 2014:

Approved:

Yeas

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Nays

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Absent:

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Attested to by:


Staff to the Parks and Recreation Commission