# **STAFF REPORT**

### SUBJECT

#### **BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 21-339**

Pertaining to a Lease Agreement with the City of Saint Paul to lease a portion of Board-owned property at 750 Snelling Avenue South for use by the City's Parks and Recreation Department.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Saint Paul Parks & Recreation has requested to lease a portion of the Board-owned property addressed as 750 Snelling Avenue South to construct soccer fields or other such open-air recreational facilities.

The portion of property to be leased to the City of Saint Paul currently contains the Board's Highland Reservoir No. 1 and is approximately 5.6 acres in area. This 18-million-gallon reservoir is no longer in use and is planned for demolition in the Spring of 2021. The Board currently leases to the City, via license agreement, 19.4 acres of 750 Snelling Avenue South for the City's Highland Golf Course, which would bring the total area used by the City at this address to 25 acres.

The lease has the following primary terms and conditions:

- 1. Rent for the leased premises is nominal (\$1.00 per annum)
- 2. The initial lease term is until December 31, 2050 but will automatically renew for an unlimited number of additional five-year terms unless either party is in default or either party notifies the other in writing six months prior to each renewal date of its intention not to renew.
- 3. The City's use will be exclusive.
- 4. The facilities to be built by the City must be approved by the Board.
- 5. The City accepts sole responsibility for maintenance.

See attached Lease Agreement and Location Map.

## RECOMMENDATION

Board approval is recommended.