

City of Saint Paul

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Legislation Text

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Authorizing the purchase of a tax forfeited property located at 401 Fourth Street East for the Lowertown Ballpark Project.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Ramsey County, Minnesota, through its Tax Forfeited Lands Section, Department of Property Records and Revenue (the "County"), in a letter dated January 8, 2014, attached hereto as Exhibit A, provided the City of Saint Paul ("City") a listing of a property located at 401 4th Street East (the "Property"), which forfeited on August 1, 2013 for failure of the owner to pay the property taxes, said listing attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, the County, as required by law, classified the Property as "non-conservation land" and notified the City of the classification in order to seek the City's approval or disapproval within a 60-day period; and

WHEREAS, the County also stated that the City may request a conveyance of the Property during the 60-day notification period by submitting an application and a certified resolution from the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City, through its Office of Financial Services-Real Estate Section has determined that the Property's classification as "non-conservation land" is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the City, through its Department of Parks and Recreation, is requesting that the Property be conveyed to the City for parking use in conjunction with the Lowertown Ballpark Project for the purchase price of \$59,300, as established by the County; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Saint Paul does hereby approve the following actions:

- 1) Approve the County's classification of the Property as "non-conservation land;"
- 2) Request that the County convey the Property to the City; and
- 3) Authorize the proper city officials to submit to the County at the earliest possible date an application to purchase the Property, along with a certfied copy of this resolution and payment of Fifty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$59,300.00), plus closing costs, said sum to be charged to the Lowertown Ballpark project.