



Legislation Text

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Authorization to Acquire a Tax Forfeited Property at 0 Minnehaha Avenue East and Subsequently Convey Same to Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Housing Services for Development and Use a Community Solar Garden in the Area of the Rivoli Bluff Development. Payne-Phalen District 5, Ward 5
WHEREAS, Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Housing Services ("DBNHS") is in the process of development of housing in the Rivoli Bluff area; and

WHEREAS, there is a nearly 2 acre vacant parcel of tax forfeited land ("Land") in the vicinity of Minnehaha Avenue East, in the Rivoli Bluff area that is currently available; and

WHEREAS, due to poor soil conditions from past use, the Land cannot be used for housing development; and

WHEREAS, with the assistance of Xcel Energy and other partners, DBNHS is prepared to pay all costs of acquisition and to develop the Land as a community solar garden; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota ("HRA") is empowered to accept conveyance of the Land from State of Minnesota Trust Exempt and convey same to DBNHS. Upon delivery by DBNHS of the application and funds to purchase, HRA now desires to accept conveyance of the Land from the State of Minnesota Trust Exempt and subsequently convey the Land to DBNHS; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on this acquisition and conveyance of the Land was held on June 14, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the HRA Board of Commissioners finds a public purpose for the actions being taken in this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota,

1. That the HRA acquisition of the Land by transfer from the State of Minnesota Trust Exempt and subsequent conveyance to DBNHS is approved. The Land is legally described as follows:

Lots 1 thru 6, Block 2, and Lots 11 thru 16, Block 2, all in Warren & Winslows Addition to the Town of St. Paul.

2. That the HRA acquisition and subsequent conveyance is contingent upon receipt of the DBNHS application, the approval of the application by Ramsey County Board, upon the receipt by HRA of the funds for acquisition and all costs related to completing the transaction from DBNHS, and DBNHS complying with all applicable compliance requirements in the improvements to the Land.

The HRA Executive Director and staff are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution, and the Executive Director is authorized to execute all documents and instruments in connection herewith.