
Sponsor: Property Management

Meeting Date: 12/2/2025

Title: Memorandum of Understanding, and Perpetual and Temporary Construction Easements with the City of Saint Paul for 402 University Avenue East Road Improvements

File Number: 2025-493

Background and Rationale:

The city of Saint Paul is reconstructing University Avenue from Interstate 35E to Lafayette Road starting in 2026 with completion scheduled in 2027. The reconstruction is comprised of road improvements such as improved curbs, pedestrian ramps, sidewalk updates, new road surface, additional trees, a shared walk/bike path, new street lighting, and replacement of underground utilities. 402 University Avenue abuts University Avenue and, due to the nature of improvements needed, the city of Saint Paul has requested a perpetual easement of approximately 2,362 square feet of land use to complete the necessary improvements. In addition to the perpetual easement, the city of Saint Paul has requested a temporary construction easement along University Avenue, of approximately 1,827 square feet of land use, to supply sufficient workspace to complete the necessary road improvements.

Property management has negotiated a fair market price for the perpetual easement in an amount of \$35,000. A memorandum of understanding is requested for the mutual agreement of compensation and the collaboration of site work for the reconstruction.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the easements and memorandum of understanding with the city of Saint Paul, 15 West Kellogg Blvd., Saint Paul, MN 55102, for a perpetual right-of-way, sidewalk, drainage and utility easement, and temporary construction easement, at 402 University Avenue East, for an amount of \$35,000.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the easements and memorandum of understanding.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McMurtrey, seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Jebens-Singh, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

Excused: - 1: McGuire

By: 
Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board