



Legislation Text

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ACTION REQUESTED:

Adopt the resolution authorizing the conveyance of real property on Mill Street to the Naperville Park District

DEPARTMENT: Transportation, Engineering and Development

SUBMITTED BY: William J Novack, Director of TED/City Engineer

BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:

N/A

BACKGROUND:

The Naperville Park District purchased the building and property at 219 S Mill Street in 2002 and has been using it as the North Maintenance Facility. The Park District initiated design development for renovations to the facility and discovered that there is a 17-foot wide parcel of land owned by the City between the property and the Mill Street public right-of-way. The City parcel includes the front yard and asphalt driveway connection for the North Maintenance Facility.

DISCUSSION:

Staff researched why the land was acquired and if it is still needed by the City. While staff has not been able to definitively confirm why the parcel was acquired, it is believed that the City was attempting to gain additional right-of-way along Mill Street for potential future improvements. The 17-foot depth, when added to the existing 33-foot depth from the centerline of Mill Street, would provide a 100-foot wide right-of-way. In the 1960's and 1970's there were thoughts about connecting Mill Street to West Street at Aurora Avenue. This parcel may have been acquired in anticipation of that improvement, however it was not implemented.

The City has no plans to make that connection today and has no use for the 17-foot wide parcel. The best use would be to convey ownership to the Naperville Park District. This will allow the Park District to renovate and continue using the North Maintenance Facility at this location.

On July 22, 2021 the Naperville Park District Board approved Ordinance #1004 declaring the necessity of the land and authorizing the transfer of the property to the Park District.

State law allows these types of real estate transfers. Staff is not recommending charging the Park District for this land as this is a minor transaction and both entities have essentially the same property taxing boundaries.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A