



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: May 19, 2015

To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: Honorable John Quincy, Chair Ways and Means

Subject: **Agreement with Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board to Perform Work and Maintain Center Median within Park Board Land on 26th Avenue North**

Recommendation:

Authorize the proper City Officials to execute an agreement with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to permit the City to perform work in Theodore Wirth Park and Farview Park and require the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board to maintain the center median of 26th Avenue N in Theodore Wirth Park for the 26th Avenue N Renovation Project

Previous Directives:

May 1, 2015 – City Council Resolution 2015R-193, Ordering the work for 26th Avenue N Renovation Project to proceed.

May 1, 2015 – City Council Resolution 2015R-194, Requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation to issue and sell Assessment Bonds for the 26th Avenue N Renovation Project.

March 20, 2015 – City Council Resolution 2015R-123, Designating the location and streets to be improved and setting the date of the Public Hearing.

March 20, 2015 – City Council Resolution 2015R-124, Combining the 2014 and 2015 adopted appropriations, funding sources, and bonding authority for the two approved 26th Ave N Projects.

January 30, 2015 - Council adoption of T&PW Committee report approving the project layout, authorizing to negotiate with public property owners (Minneapolis Parks and Recreational Board and Minneapolis Public Schools) to acquire a permanent easement for sidewalk purposes, and authorizing to negotiate with private property owners to acquire temporary construction easements and additional right of way.

December 11, 2013 - City Council Resolution 2013R-573, Adopting the 2014 – 2018 Five Year Capital Program and fixing the maximum amounts for 2014 to be expended by the various funds under the jurisdiction of the City Council.

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Financial Impact

- Action is within the Business Plan

Community Impact:

- Neighborhood Notification
 - Hawthorne Area Community Council and Jordan Area Community Council 26th Ave Bikeway/Greenway Plan developed in May 2004 and August 2009, respectively
 - PAC and BAC presentations and meetings – Spring/Summer 2014
 - Two Neighborhood Public Informational Meetings - 6/23/14 and 8/14/14
 - Jordan Area and Hawthorne Community Council meetings and presentations
 - Minneapolis Parks and Recreational Board and AFCAC presentations, fall 2014
 - CM Yang Facilitated Neighborhood Groups meeting presentation, 9/29/14
 - Electronic Neighborhood Survey via Hiawatha, Jordan, Willard-Hay Neighborhood Associations and Council Member Yang's Office, 10/17/14
- City Goals
 - Living well: Minneapolis is safe and livable and has an active and connected way of life. High-quality and convenient transportation options connect every corner of the city.
 - A hub of economic activity and innovation: Businesses – big and small – start, move, stay and grow here. Infrastructure, public services and community assets support businesses and commerce.
 - Great Places: Natural and built spaces work together and our environment is protected. We manage and improve the city's infrastructure for current and future needs.

Background/Supporting Information

On March 20, 2015, the City Council designated the locations, streets and improvements proposed to be made in the 26th Av N neighborhood. The cost estimate for the project is \$3,435,000 and is financed by net debt bonds, municipal state aid, special assessments and stormwater revenue.

The proposed project consists of renovating 26th Avenue North between Theo Wirth Parkway and West Broadway Avenue and between Lyndale Avenue North and 2nd Street North. This project has been previously described as PV086 26th Ave N (Wirth Pkwy to Brdwy/Lyndale to River). The 26th Avenue North roadway is a Municipal State Aid street (MSA 240 and 301) from North Pacific Street to West Broadway Avenue and a Metro Transit bus route (Route 5E) from Emerson Avenue North to West Broadway Avenue. The project will include new pavement, curb, gutter, off-street bike path, ADA compliant pedestrian ramps, storm drain, signing, striping and related items and work.

The final design for the 26th Avenue North renovation project is scheduled to be complete in May, 2015. The renovation work is anticipated to start in July 2015 and conclude in fall 2015. The coordinated reconstruction project is anticipated for construction in 2016.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board (MPRB)

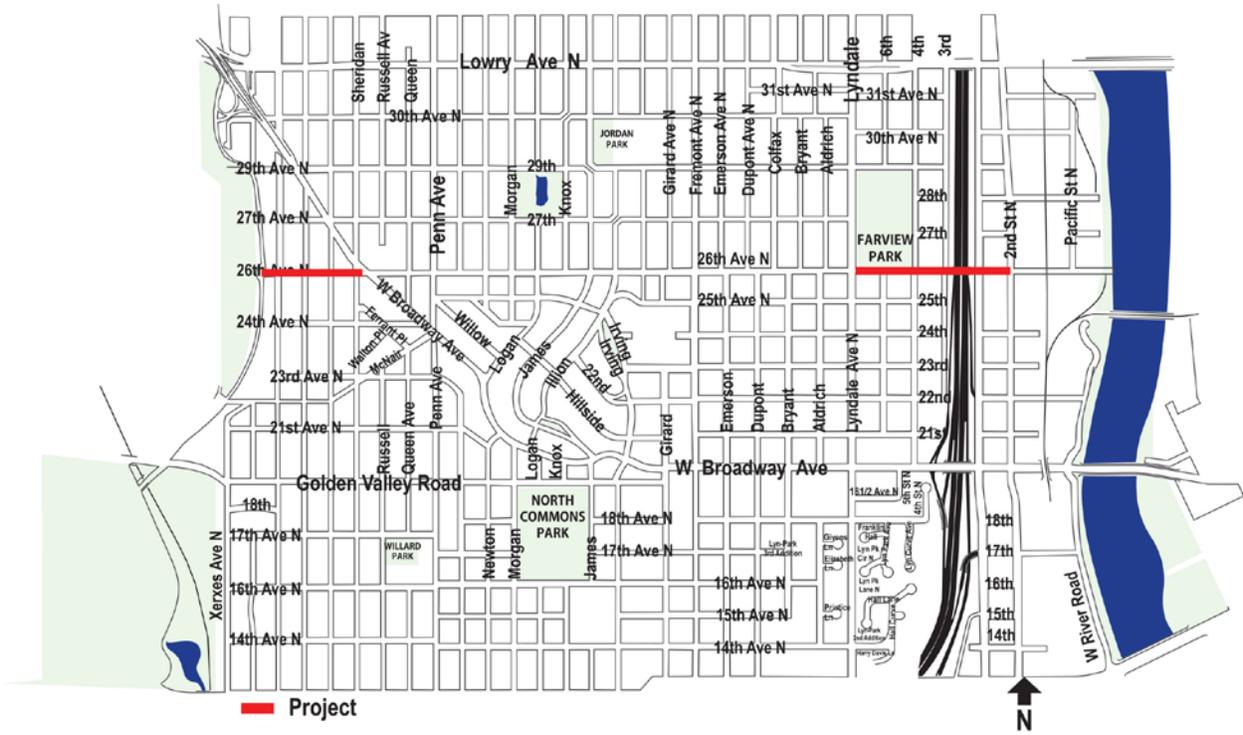
The project limits for the renovation project include portions of property in Theodore Wirth Park and Farview Park owned by the MPRB. The MOU will permit City forces to perform project work within Theodore Wirth Park and Farview Park. It will also require the MPRB to maintain groundcover and trees within the center median on 26th Avenue N within Theodore Wirth Park.

Attachments:

Project Location Map
Draft Memorandum of Understanding

cc: Council Member Yang, Ward 5
Council Member Johnson, Ward 4

PROJECT MAP



T&PW and W&M – Your Committees recommend passage and summary

publication of the accompanying Resolution:

1. Authorize the proper City Officials to execute an agreement with Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board to permit the City to perform work in Theodore Wirth Park and Farview Park and require the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board to maintain the center median of 26th Avenue N in Theodore Wirth Park for the 26th Avenue N Renovation Project

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**26th Av N Renovation Project,
Special Improvement of Existing Street No 9929**

Authorize the proper City Officials to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board to Perform Work and Maintain Center Median for the 26th Avenue North Renovation Project

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis wishes to renovate 26th Avenue North between Theodore Wirth Parkway to West Broadway Avenue and Lyndale Avenue North to 2nd Street North; and

Whereas, the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board is the owner and operator of Theodore Wirth Regional Park (Wirth), and of Farview Park (Farview), which parks are located in the City of Minneapolis; and

Whereas, the City is working on the 26th Avenue North Renovation Project, involving property located near Wirth and Farview and other land extending east to the Mississippi River; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City Engineer is hereby ordered to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board that will permit City public works forces to perform project work within Theodore Wirth Park and Farview Park and that will require Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board to maintain groundcover and trees within the center median on 26th Avenue within Theodore Wirth Park.