

City of Northfield

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Legislation Text

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To: Mayor and City Council

From: Dave Bennett,

City Engineer/Public Works Director

Consider Motion Approving Permanent Public Trail Easements and Drainage and Utility Easement related to the Spring Creek Townhomes 1st Addition.

Action Requested:

The Northfield City Council approves Permanent Public Trail Easements and Drainage and Utility Easement related to the Spring Creek Townhomes 1st Addition.

Summary Report:

Staff has been working with Three Rivers Community Action related to the Spring Creek II development. As part of the development, it is proposed to construct a trail segment that is part of the City's greenway along Spring Creek.

In order to construct the trail, an easement is being granted to the City, which will allow for the construction and long-term operation and maintenance of the trail to the City. The easement will be granted from Spring Creek Townhomes in the first addition previously constructed.

In addition to the trail easement, a drainage and utility easement is being provided to facilitate the installation of a storm sewer line. The City will own and operate the line. This easement will allow for the City to have future access to maintain this line.

Alternative Options:

The City Council could decide not to accept this easement; however, a modification to the trail would need to be made and a storm sewer line would need to be rerouted. This would cause issues with the proposed Spring Creek II development.

Financial Impacts:

The agreed upon price for the easement is \$1.

Tentative Timelines:

Once the easement is signed by all parties, it will be sent to Rice County for recording.