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CC Regular Session

4. 2.

Meeting Date: 02/24/2015

By: Jo Thieling, Administrative Services

Information

Title:

Consider Acquisition of Tax Forfeit Properties

Purpose/Background:

Purpose: The purpose of this case is to ask Council to consider acquiring a tax forfeit parcel for public purpose and to approve tax forfeit classification of three other parcels.

Background: The City has received notification from Anoka County Property Records and Taxation of four (4) parcels in tax forfeit. State Statutes requires that the governing body of a municipality must approve the classification and sale of forfeit parcels that lie within their jurisdiction. The City is also offered the first right to acquire the tax forfeit properties.

Upon staff review, it appears one (1) of the parcels could be acquired for public purpose, and three (3) would serve no public purpose and should therefore be classified as tax forfeit and offered for sale.

For Council's information, the information related to the tax forfeit properties, Policy for the Acquisition of City Owned Land, and the Minnesota State Statute related to conveyance of tax forfeit land to public entities is attached to this case.

Observations/Alternatives:

Attached to this case are profiles for each of the four (4) tax forfeit properties, which include a GIS image and Anoka County property record.

35-32-25-32-0036 - AUDITORS SUBDIVISION NO. 96

Upon review, staff has determined this parcel could be acquired for future roadway/trail purposes.

23-32-25-44-0042 - LOT 3 BLK 3 PONDVALE ESTATES 2ND ADD SUBJ TO EASE OF REC

Upon review, staff has determined that this parcel is not needed for public purpose, and therefore, recommends that it not be acquired

28-32-25-21-0007 - LOT 1 BLOCK 1 RAMSEY TOWN CENTER 8TH ADD

Upon review, staff has determined that this parcel is not needed for public purpose, and therefore, recommends that it not be acquired.

26-32-25-24-0070 LOT 6 BLOCK 3 THE VILLAGE OF SUNFISH LAKE, EX RD SUBJ TO EASE OF REC

Upon review, staff has determined that this parcel is not needed for public purpose, and therefore, recommends that it not be acquired.

Two resolutions, one for the acquisition of the one parcel, and one for the classification of tax forfeit and sale of the other three (3) parcels are attached to this case for Council action.

Staff will complete the additional responses requested by Anoka County administratively as part of the regular tax-forfeit parcel review process.

Funding Source:

Any costs to the City of acquiring tax forfeit parcels are typically minimal, e.g. filing fees, etc. Funding would come out of the Public Improvement Revolving Fund for Parcel 35-32-25-32-0036.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council adopt the Resolution to acquire one (1) of the tax forfeit properties and adopt a second resolution classifying the other three (3) parcels as tax forfeit and allow sale.

Action:

Motion to adopt Resolution #15-02-053 Requesting Anoka County to Withhold Certain Tax Forfeit Land from Public Sale and Authorizing Acquisition of Tax Forfeit Property for Public Purpose

- and -

Motion to Adopt Resolution #15-02-054 Approving the Classification and Sale of Tax-Forfeit Parcels in the City of Ramsey

Attachments

Info re Tax Forfeit Properties

Policy for Tax Forfeit Property

MN SS re Tax Forfeit Property

Res to Purchase Tax Forfeit Property

Res Declaring No Public Use for Tax Forfeit Properties

Form Review

Inbox

Kurt Ulrich

Form Started By: Jo Thieling

Final Approval Date: 02/19/2015

Reviewed By

Kurt Ulrich

Date

02/19/2015 08:39 AM

Started On: 02/18/2015 03:21 PM

Councilmember LeTourneau introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #15-02-053

RESOLUTION REQUESTING ANOKA COUNTY TO WITHHOLD CERTAIN TAX FORFEIT LAND FROM PUBLIC SALE AND AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF TAX FORFEIT PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, AUDITORS SUBDIVISION NO 96, City of Ramsey, Anoka County, Minnesota, PIN #35-32-25-32-0036, has forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of taxes (The "Subject Property A"); and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interest of the City to acquire the Subject Property A for future roadway/trail purposes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESTOA, as follows:

- 1) That the Mayor and City Administrator are hereby authorized to complete the application for a state use deed and any other necessary paperwork to secure ownership of the Subject Property A for future roadway/trail purpose.
- 2) That the Council hereby authorizes the costs the City would incur by acquiring the tax forfeit properties to be taken from the Public Improvement Revolving Fund for the acquisition of Subject Property A.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Kuzma, and upon-vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Mayor Strommen
Councilmember LeTourneau
Councilmember Kuzma
Councilmember Johns
Councilmember Riley
Councilmember Shryock
Councilmember Williams

and the following voted against the same:

None

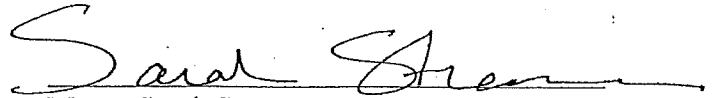
and the following abstained:

None

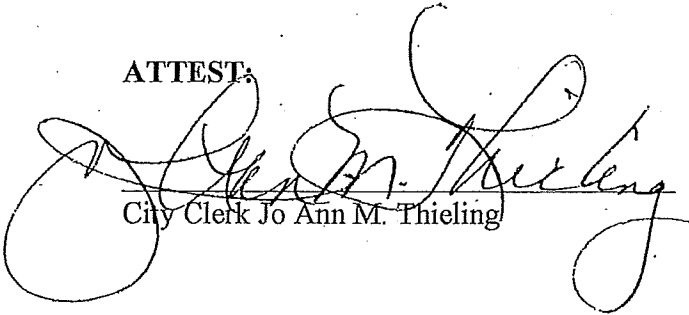
and the following were absent:

None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council the 24th day of February, 2015.


Mayor Sarah Strommen

ATTEST:


City Clerk Jo Ann M. Thieling