

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: February 10, 2020

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Damon C. Dequenne, Assistant City Manager
S. Kirk Bjorling, Real Estate Administrator

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Permanent Gas Easement, Temporary Construction Easement and Permanent Access Easement to Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Relating to the US Highway 52/Future I-74 Interchange with the Winston-Salem Northern Beltway (Northeast Ward)

Strategic Focus Area: Quality Transportation

Strategic Objective: Improve Integrated Road Network

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is preparing to construct the US Highway 52 Interchange (Project R-2247EB) with the Winston-Salem Northern Beltway. Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (PNG) previously obtained easements in September 2019 and have requested additional easements for the relocation of the pipeline. They are now requesting to obtain a permanent gas easement and temporary construction easement on Tax PIN 6819-83-2244 in order to relocate a gas line prior to NCDOT continuing construction.

PNG has made an offer of \$1,633 to purchase approximately 1,660.90 sq. ft. of permanent gas easement and approximately 2,104.40 sq. ft. of temporary construction easement. In addition, PNG is requesting to purchase the use of a non-exclusive, 20-foot-wide permanent access easement, containing approximately 16,494.20 sq. ft. This easement overlaps another already-existing easement in which NCDOT may have an interest and, therefore, the grant of an access easement to PNG will be made contingent on NCDOT's abandonment of any interest it may possess in the existing easement. The City would, itself, still retain use of the permanent access easement, as needed. PNG has offered \$13,752 for purchase of the access easement. These acquisitions are further described in the attached Exhibit A. Staff is supportive of this request.

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>Finance 2/10/2020</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
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For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>
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Remarks:

The attached resolution requests that the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem authorize the sale of a permanent gas easement, temporary construction easement, and permanent access easement to Piedmont Natural Gas Company, as described in the attached Exhibit A.