

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: December 11, 2017

To: The City Manager

From: S. Kirk Bjorling, Real Estate Administrator

Council Action Requested:

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance by Donation of Permanent Easements from Old Salem, Inc. and Salem Academy and College for the Old Salem Infrastructure Bond Project (South Ward)

Strategic Focus Area: Healthy Environment

Strategic Objective: Manage Water Quality and Quantity

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: Yes



Summary of Information:

The Old Salem Infrastructure Bond Project scope was developed to address sidewalk safety, street tree health and longevity, and street lighting concerns. Two additional types of work were incorporated into the project through the design process for Stormwater and Water and Sewer Infrastructure.

The existing street lighting system is managed with a complicated partnership between the City, Old Salem, Inc., and Salem Congregation, and Duke Energy. The proposed plan develops a new street lighting system owned and maintained by the City. Easements are required to route power from Duke Energy transformers placed in discrete locations in the historic district to Church and Walnut Streets. A Stormwater easement is also required at the southern end of Church Street. An existing draining pipe crosses the corner of the property. There is not an existing easement and a portion of the pipe is in need of replacement. Old Salem, Inc. and Salem Academy and College have agreed to donate the easements necessary for this project.

The attached resolution authorizes the acquisition by donation from Old Salem, Inc. and Salem Academy and College of permanent easements as shown on the attached Exhibit A.

Committee Action:

Committee	Finance 12/11/17 Public Works 12/12/17	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	

Remarks: