

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: August 14, 2018

To: The City Manager

From: Damon Dequenne, Assistant City Manager
Robert Prestwood, City Engineer

Council Action Requested:

Consideration of a resolution authorizing the conveyance of an easement for an underground tunnel and utility lines beneath Main Street and Church Street (South and East Wards).

Strategic Focus Area: Quality Transportation

Strategic Objective: No

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

SI Winston Salem, LLC owns Tax PIN 6835-25-4977.00, the location of the Wells Fargo Center. In 1994 Wachovia Bank of North Carolina, N.A. constructed their headquarters on Tax PIN 6835-25-4977.00. At the same time Forsyth County constructed a parking deck off of Church Street and leased a portion of the spaces for Wachovia Bank employees. The cooling tower system for the building is located on top of the parking deck. During construction of the building and parking deck an underground tunnel was constructed. This tunnel crosses under Main Street, the parking lot north of City Hall, and Church Street. This underground tunnel serves as a pedestrian walkway between the building and the parking deck, as well as a conduit for pipes and lines to the cooling tower. In 1994 an encroachment agreement for the underground tunnel was granted by the City for Church Street and by NCDOT for Main Street. Both streets are now maintained by the City of Winston Salem. SI Winston Salem, LLC has requested that the City of Winston Salem grant an easement for the tunnel and the utility lines that crosses beneath Main Street and Church Street.

Staff recommends granting these easements SI Winston Salem, LLC.

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>Public Works 8/14/18</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
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