



City of Winston-Salem City Council
Council Agenda Item Summary

Title	Resolution Authorizing Acquisition of Easements by Deed or Condemnation for the Twenty-Seventh Street Drainage Improvements Project
City Council Committee	Committee of the Whole
Meeting Date	May 11, 2026
Staff Lead (Presenter)	Martin Potter, Real Estate Supervisor
Department Head	Michael Stover, City Engineer
City Manager/ACM	Aaron King, ACM

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Recommended Council Action	Resolution Approval
Suggested Action/ Motion Options	I move to approve this resolution authorizing acquisition of easements by deed or condemnation for the Twenty-Seventh Street Drainage Improvements Project.
Strategic Focus Area	Livable Community
Strategic Plan Objective	GG1: Delivering Efficient and Effective Core Services
Anticipated Fiscal Impact	No Material Fiscal Impact

Summary of Information

The City of Winston-Salem owns and maintains Twenty-Seventh Street in the North ward of the City. The Twenty-Seventh Street Drainage Improvements project involves the replacement of aging and severely deteriorated metal storm drainage pipes crossing under and along Twenty-Seventh Street and within the adjacent Greenway Park. The failing pipes are creating sinkholes in the park and contributing to asphalt cracking in the road. The work includes removal and replacement of the existing stormwater pipes and appurtenances within the street right-of-way and within the acquired easements. The project also entails the restoration of other affected public infrastructure features, such as pavement, utilities, water and sewer utilities, pavement markings and signage. It is necessary that the City of Winston-Salem acquire easements for the Twenty-Seventh Street Drainage Improvements Project. To meet the schedule for the project and ensure access is available when needed, authorization for acquisition by deed or condemnation is requested. An independent fee appraiser has appraised each parcel claim for the fair market value acquisition. Real Estate staff finds these appraisals consistent with other easement acquisitions of comparable properties. This resolution authorizes the acquisition of easements shown and attached in Exhibit A in the amount of \$5,600.



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Mission: To provide impactful services that enhance the quality of life for current and future generations
Values: Teamwork * Responsibility * Respect * Integrity * Customer Service

Analysis of Fiscal Impact

No Material Fiscal Impact.

Attachments

Committee Action	COTW 5/11/2026
For:	Against:
Remarks: Unanimous Approved	