City Council Item

June 9, 2025

Item	Resolution 2025-XX: Frontier Trail Association - Easement Agreement and Easement Vacation	
File No.	ENG 25-01 and Vacation 25-04	**Item No:** F.1
Agenda Section	**PUBLIC HEARINGS**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION

"The Chanhassen City Council approves an agreement with the Frontier Trail Association and approves a resolution authorizing the vacation of the public drainage and utility easements required as part of the agreement in conjunction with the 2025 Street Improvement Project."

Motion Type	4/5 Vote
Strategic Priority	Asset Management

SUMMARY

Approving an agreement and vacating existing public drainage and utility easements required as part of the 2025 Street Improvement Project. The easement agreement also includes a reconfiguration of an existing sanitary sewer easement located within the property.

The easement vacation action requires a Public Hearing which has been appropriately noticed.

BACKGROUND

The city is undertaking a street improvement project on Frontier Trail which affects the Frontier Trail Association (FTA) property. The FTA property was assessed with the project the same flat rate as the rest of the assessable properties. The work on the FTA property primarily consists of constructing a stormwater filtration basin, which is needed as part of the stormwater permitting for the project. There

is an existing stormwater easement established back in 1977, however there is ambiguity in the language on what storm water scope of work can be done within the easement.

In an effort to "clean up" a few items, an agreement was needed. The agreement addresses three things:

1. Allows the city to construct the stormwater BMP, and establishes the appropriate public drainage and utility easement
2. Reconfigures an existing sanitary sewer easement to properly align it with the actual sanitary sewer forcemain located on the property
3. Resolves the formal objection to the assessment on the property

DISCUSSION

The agreement essentially washes out the cost for the city to properly encumber the proposed stormwater improvements and the assessment levied against the FTA property. The city will deliver payment to the FTA upon approval of the agreement, and the FTA will then pay the assessment levied against their property.

The agreement and easement documents were prepared and reviewed by the City Attorney's office.

BUDGET

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the agreement, and the vacation of the public drainage and utility easements.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution 2025-XX Resolution Vacating a Public Drainage Utility Easements
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR VACATION (PAPER) Frontier Trail
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR VACATION (MAIL) Frontier Trail
Auditor's Subdivision Number 2 Plat
Grant of Permanent Easement D&U Frontier Trail
Agreement to Convey Easement and Assessment Frontier Trail Association