



Request for Council Action

Originator Planning	Item Resolution of Support for the Minnesota Valley State Trail segment in Bloomington
Agenda Section CONSENT	Date 1/5/2015

Description

At the November 24, 2014 City Council Study Meeting, representatives of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) gave an overview of the proposed Minnesota Valley State Trail (State Trail). Funding to develop the Bloomington segment of the State Trail was approved by the State Legislature in its 2014 Bond Appropriations bill, which allocated \$2.165 million to DNR to design and implement the project.

DNR has begun preliminary work on the State Trail alignment through Bloomington. However, before proceeding with more detailed project design, DNR has requested a resolution of support from the City of Bloomington and US Fish & Wildlife Service, providing general assurance that key property owners support development of the State Trail.

The attached resolution stipulates that DNR will provide City officials and the general public ongoing information and opportunities to provide input on the State Trail project. Once detailed design plans are completed and prior to construction, DNR will execute a cooperative agreement with the City of Bloomington addressing City review and approval of the final State Trail alignment; DNR obligations for construction, operations and maintenance; and any additional provisions needed for building, operating and maintaining the trail.

Requested Action

Approve a Resolution of Support of the Minnesota Valley State Trail in Bloomington.

Attachments:

Resolution of Support