

December 3, 2013

TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive Paul Holzen, Director of Engineering Patricia Proctor, Utilities Engineer II

SUBJECT: Consideration of Resolution 2013-82 - A Resolution Authorizing Condemnation for

the Acquisition of Property for Sidewalks Along 11th Avenue South

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) with information to consider Resolution 2013-82 - A Resolution Authorizing Condemnation for the Acquisition of Property for Sidewalks Along 11th Avenue South.

Background

BOMA approved Resolution 2013-36 on June 25, 2013, to include street, sidewalk and drainage improvements into the 11th Avenue Improvement Project. In order to tie in the sidewalk at the intersection of 11th Avenue and Natchez Street, additional right-of-way must be obtained. The bids for the 11th Avenue Improvements Project were opened on November 26, 2013. In an effort to prevent the acquisition process from creating a potential delay, Staff has written Resolution 2013-82 to authorize condemnation proceedings. Staff will continue to work diligently with all property owners and use condemnation only as a last resort.

Financial Impact

The cost for the acquisition of the necessary easements for this project is not anticipated to exceed \$1,000.00 and will paid from the project budget.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 2013-82 - A Resolution Authorizing Condemnation for the Acquisition of Property for Sidewalks Along 11th Avenue. At this point, approval of this Resolution will only help staff to maintain the current schedule in the event negotiations falter.