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REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: April 29, 2022

To: Mayor and City Council

From: David Cedarholm, City Engineer

Subject: Easement Deed from State Pleasant Street, LLC associated with a Permanent Public Traffic Control Signal Cabinet.

Recommendation

Accept this report authorizing the City Manager to execute an easement with State Pleasant Street, LLC for the installation and maintenance of a new permanent public traffic control signal cabinet and foundation near the southeast corner of the intersection South State and Pleasant Streets.

Background

The traffic signal at the intersection of State Street and Pleasant Street is one of the oldest signals in the City and has been programmed for replacement in CIP 283 for at least a decade. The existing cabinet that houses all the signal control equipment is currently located near southwest corner of the intersection, and is in particular need to replacement due to its crumbling foundation. In addition, the current location of the cabinet is also undesirable because it crowds an already narrow sidewalk making it too tight for a sidewalk plow to properly perform snow removal.

The new traffic signal design includes relocating the signal control cabinet to the southeast corner of the intersection in a motorcycle parking space on opposite side of the sidewalk from the street on property owned by State Pleasant Street, LLC (see attached draft plan). The proposed signal control cabinet and foundation will be no larger than 3.5-feet deep by 4.5-feet wide leaving more than enough space for continued use as a motorcycle parking space.

Discussion

This easement is the result of multiple discussion between the owner and City Staff as part of the planning for both the traffic signal improvements and providing for a new electric service to the Bank of New Hampshire Stage. The location and design of the signal control cabinet was developed with assistance of the City's on-call engineering consultant VHB.

For the reasons stated above, the Engineering Division recommend the Mayor and City Council authorize the City Manager to execute the easement deed. The proposed draft easement deed is attached. The City's legal counsel will be working with State Pleasant Street, LLC's legal counsel to finalize the document.

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