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Community Development Department

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City Engineer

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: David Cedarholm, PE, City Engineer

DATE: June 18, 2018

SUBJECT: Report from the City Engineer recommending that the City Manager be authorized to accept a public storm drainage easement deed from the Blye Farm Condominium Association of 203 – 221 Mountain Road.

Recommendation

Accept this report, which recommends that the City Manager be authorized to accept a public drainage easement deed from the Blye Farm Condominium Association, 203 – 221 Mountain Road, for the installation of a drainage swale and a 6” underdrain system.

Background

As part of the 2017/2018 Mountain Road Drainage Project (CIP # 83), staff has designed a proposed drainage swale and a proposed 6” underdrain. The purpose of the project is to alleviate flow of storm water drainage from Mountain Road and the subdivision known as Country Club Estates, which impacts the abutting properties to the south at 195 and 197 Mountain Road.

Discussion

The NHDOT currently maintains an 18-inch culvert under Mountain Road just north of Country Club Lane. The culvert conveys stormwater from Country Club Lane and Mountain Road and discharges onto the land of the Blye Farm Condominium Association (Blye Farm). This culvert has been in place for many years and there is not a recorded easement for it, nor is there a drainage easement for the receiving area on the Blye Farm property. The owners of 197 Mountain Road and 195 Mountain Road have contacted the City multiple times over the past several years with complaints that discharge from the culvert is not being contained on

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the Blye Farm Property, but migrating onto their property and causing drainage issues for them. The proposed drainage improvement project is intended to alleviate the storm water from migrating onto the abutting property and causing problems. As part of the project, the City needs an easement from Blye Farm to allow for the construction and/or maintenance of the culvert, stone protection, drainage swale, and underdrain system. Staff has been working with the condominium association to obtain an easement and finalize the easement deed so that it is acceptable to both parties. Therefore, staff recommends that the City Manager be authorized to accept the easement deed from the Blye Farm Condominium association, and have it recorded at the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds.

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