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REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: David Cedarholm, PE, City Engineer

DATE: June 15, 2018

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Public Utility Easement Deeds from the Concord School District

2018 CIP # 85 – Water Main Replacement Project – Warren Street

Recommendation

Accept this report, which recommends that the City Manager be authorized to accept two public utility easement deeds from the Concord School District for the installation of two hydrants across a portion of its land on Warren Street known as 170 Warren Street (Map 40, Block 4, Lot 1), and the other known as 115 Warren Street (Map 41, Block 1, Lot 5).

Background

As part of the 2018 Water Main Replacement Project (CIP # 85), a hydrant was replaced at the southwest corner of the Concord School District's property known as 170 Warren Street, (Map 40, Block 4, Lot 1) at the corner of Warren Street and North Fruit Street. The former hydrant was located on School District property; however, an easement deed was never located. The proposed easement deed will formalize the new hydrant. In addition, a second new hydrant was installed on another property owned by the School District on the south side of Warren Street, known as 115 Warren Street (Map 41, Block 1, Lot 5).

Discussion

Included in the design of the annual Water Main Replacement Projects, out dated hydrants are replaced with new hydrants, and additional hydrants are installed to reduce the distance between hydrants in accordance with state regulations and to increase the accessibility of the Acceptance of Public Utility Easement Deed Concord School District 170 Warren Street and 115 Warren Street June 15, 2018 Page 2 of 2

municipal water system to the Fire Department. The hydrants are typically placed far enough from the edge of the street so they are not an obstruction to our winter snow removal operations. In some cases, this results in hydrants being placed on private property necessitating a utility easement.

Staff has been working with the School District to finalize the easement deeds so that they are acceptable to both parties. Therefore, staff recommends that the City Manager be authorized to accept the easement deeds from the Concord School District, and have them recorded at the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds.

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