



MEMORANDUM

To: Saint Anthony Village City Council
From: Charlie Yunker, City Manager
Date: October 26, 2021 City Council Meeting
Request: Salo Park Maintenance Agreement

BACKGROUND

Staff has been working with the property owners of the storm water ponds, Doran SLV III, LLC and SVAP III Silver Lake Village, LLC, that serve the Silver Lake Village area which has been known for many years as Salo Park, to come to an agreement to allow the City to handle the maintenance of the area around those ponds.

The intent of the Salo Park area from its inception was to be an amenity for the retail area, and the City as a whole. As a result, the expectations of the residents is for the area to be maintained at the same level as any other City park. However, given the changes in ownership over the years, the maintenance of the area has suffered, and City staff is often put in position to address issues through code enforcement or simply stepping-in and performing maintenance to address resident concerns. Staff feels it would be more efficient for all parties if the maintenance activities were integrated into the overall City parks maintenance activities.

The City's legal counsel has been an active participant in these discussions, and the recommended avenue for this is for the property owners to grant an easement to the City for the purposes of performing those routine maintenance activities. The property owners would retain ownership of the Salo Park area, as well as the responsibility for maintenance of the storm water ponds, while granting a perpetual easement to the City for maintenance activities. A summary of the responsibilities is listed below:

City of Saint Anthony Responsibilities

- Landscaping maintenance
- Irrigation repairs
- Lighting repairs
- Trash collection
- Concrete replacement

Property Owners Responsibilities

- Storm water ponds water quality
- Storm water ponds dredging
- Alum water management system
- Drainage facilities entering and exiting the ponds
- Interconnection of the ponds under 39th Ave NE

RECOMMENDATION

Staff is recommending approval for entering into the Maintenance Agreement. Staff believes this will make maintenance more efficient and better meet the expectations of the residents in the area to maintain Salo Park at the same level of maintenance as all other parks in the City.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Maintenance Agreement