## Condemnation Ordinance for Fire Station 10

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#### **Key Project Milestones**

- Fire Facilities Master Plan (2014) -- Build new Fire Station 10
- Land Acquisition funding in 2015-21 CIP
- Council Presentation on Selected Site (Sept. 2016)
- Community Meeting (Oct. 2016)
- Fire Facilities Levy approved by Voters (Nov. 2016)
- Council Presentation on Site Selection Process (Mar. 2017)
- Property Acquisition (June 2017-Current)
- Design Contract (Mar. 2018)

#### Fire Station 10 Site

- Nine parcels, six owners
- Northwest corner of 112<sup>th</sup>
  Ave NE and NE 12<sup>th</sup> St



#### **Property Acquisition Timeline**

- Introduction Letter/Initial Discussions (Aug 2016)
- Due Diligence and Appraisals (Oct 2016-July 2017)
- Offers Made (June-August 2017)
- Negotiations (Varies by parcel, June 2017-Current)
- Two signed Purchase and Sales Agreements, Third agreement nearing completion (Feb 2018)
- Condemnation Ordinance (Tonight)

## Condemnation Ordinance Overview

- Standard Practice for CIP projects
- Authorizes Civic Services Director to execute Purchase and Sale Agreements
- Authorizes City Attorney to initiate condemnation proceedings if negotiations unsuccessful
- Provides tax benefits to property owners sale in lieu of condemnation

# Next Steps

#### If the Ordinance is approved...

- City signatures on two Purchase and Sale Agreements that have already been signed by property owners
- Finalize third Purchase and Sale Agreement and execute
- Close on first three acquisitions (April 2018)
- Continue voluntary negotiations with remaining three owners
- If agreements cannot be reached by mid-2018, pursue eminent domain lawsuits on remaining properties

## **Council Action**

Staff seeks Adoption of the Ordinance authorizing and providing for the acquisition of interests in land for the purpose of constructing the Fire Station 10 Project; providing for condemnation, appropriation, taking of land and property rights necessary therefore; providing for payment; directing the initiation of appropriate proceedings in the manner provided by law for said condemnation; and establishing an effective date.

## Next Steps

#### If the Ordinance is NOT approved...

- The agreements that have already been signed by the owners would require separate approval by Council
- Some of the terms of those agreements would need to be renegotiated
- Staff would continue with voluntary negotiations unless Council provided alternative direction