

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

AGENDA DATE: September 27, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: Consider approving a resolution supporting a driveway application to the

State of Minnesota

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BACKGROUND:

Bob and Lory Warren recently purchased parcel 91-480-2210 located at 415 South Pokegama Avenue. They plan to relocate Rapids Printing to this site. In order to move the business, a parking lot needs to be constructed. Because the property fronts State Highway 169, a driveway/access permit is required from the State of Minnesota. Attached is a resolution that supports this permit application based on the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed entrance aligns with 5th Street Southeast
- 2. Provides an improved ADA access to the business
- 3. Eliminates a safety issue on 5th Street Southwest by removing an unsafe entrance
- 4. Pokegama Avenue has a center turn lane for safe access
- 5. Constructing a roadway behind the business would restrict future building expansion
- 6. Constructing a roadway behind would be more expensive
- 7. Prior to the 2012 reconstruction project, a driveway entrance existed
- 8. The proposed project minimizes impervious surfaces which aligns with the City's MPCA MS4 Stormwater Permit

City staff support this project and the new business.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion approving a resolution supporting a driveway application to the State of
Minnesota