

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 17, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the Department of Public Works

21.297 An Order to Authorize Damon Road Sewer Line Taking

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Damon Road and Bridge Road are public ways in and for the city of Northampton; and,

WHEREAS, the city, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, is undertaking the reconstruction of Damon Road and Bridge Road, including drainage and utility improvements and slope stabilization, from the Norwottuck Rail Trail crossing to the easterly section of Bridge Road west of King Street (Routes 5 and 10) (“the Project”); and,

WHEREAS, within the layout of Damon Road are two privately-owned pressure sewer force mains that are approximately 50 years old and are near the end of their expected design life. The lines are scheduled to be replaced in conjunction with the Project; and

WHEREAS in order to proceed with the replacement of the sewer lines, the city must acquire title to the sewer lines and appurtenances; and

WHEREAS, the sewer lines are shown on the sketch plan (“the Plan”) entitled Damon Road Sewer Force Main Proposed Takings, dated June 10, 2021 as “River Run Condominium Trust Sewer Force Main ~420 LF” and “Easthampton Mahadev LLC Sewer Force Main, ~490 LF”; and

WHEREAS, no appropriation is required as the damages awarded for the taking authorized herein is nominal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED

That the City Council authorizes the acquisition by purchase, gift, eminent domain, or otherwise, permanent fee interests, in fee simple absolute, for and on behalf of the Inhabitants of the City of Northampton of the sewer lines, including pipes, fixtures, equipment and appurtenances shown on the Plan as “River Run Condominium Trust Sewer Force Main ~420 LF” and “Easthampton Mahadev LLC Sewer Force Main, ~490 LF.” As damages for this taking, the City Council awards One Dollar (\$1.00) to River Run Condominium Trust and One Dollar (\$1.00) to Easthampton Mahadev LLC.