



City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council, May 21, 2015

Upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the Office of Planning & Sustainability

Resolved, that

WHEREAS, The Northampton Transportation Plan, adopted in 2005 by the Transportation Parking Commission, Planning Board, Board of Public Works, and City Council recommends a multi-use trail (bicycle path connecting the Manhan Rail Trail on Earle Street with the north campus of Village Hill using a route up the east side of the village and then serving the village); and

WHEREAS, City Council authorized the Mayor to accept deeds and easements for such trails on December 3, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The master plan developed by MassDevelopment and approved by the Planning Board for the build out of a mixed use development at Village hill includes a network of north/south and east/west bicycle and pedestrian paths to connect to the Village Hill bicycle path; and

WHEREAS, Development has proceeded that includes the construction of these path networks that will ultimately be completed to create an integrated bicycle/pedestrian network tied to the overall citywide system; and

WHEREAS, Some of these links will cross private property that will not be owned by the City and the property owners have offered to grant easements for the public to use these bicycle/pedestrian connections to be integrated into the public network;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the City of Northampton City Council authorizes the Mayor to accept deeds and easements with conditions determined by the Mayor as may be beneficial for the City for said multi-use paths within and surrounding Village Hill and immediately adjoining areas subject to such terms and conditions agreed to by the Mayor.

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Passed First Reading, on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No

Attest: Samuel H. Povey, Clerk of Council

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Passed Second Reading, on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No

Attest: Samuel H. Povey, Clerk of Council

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled

I hereby certify that the above Resolution passed the Northampton City Council on May 21, 2015

David J. Narkewitz, Mayor approved the Resolution on May 22, 2015

Attest: Samuel H. Povey, Clerk of Council