Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: May 13, 2025 Resolution No. 25-220
Offered by Commissioner: Jugovich

Purchase of Property from the Wisconsin Central Railroad, Ltd. for Railroad Crossing Improvements on CSAH 100 in the City of Aurora; CP 0100-878324

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Board Resolution No. 18-165, adopted on March 20, 2018, authorized the purchase of a 3.39 acre tract of land in the City of Aurora from the Wisconsin Central Railroad, Ltd. (dba Canadian National); and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the proposed purchase was to facilitate improvements to the existing at-grade intersection of the railroad with County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 100; and

WHEREAS, Since 2018, the scope of the proposed improvements to the CSAH 100/CN Railroad intersection in Aurora has changed to include further improvements to this intersection; and

WHEREAS, The property to be purchased remains as proposed in March, 2018 to wit:

That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 58 North, Range 15 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, described as lying West of the east line of Old Aurora Road as shown in Doc. No. 22735; lying North of the Duluth Iron Range Railroad Company right of way; and lying East of the west right of way line of South 1st Street West (FKA Old Road and FKA Vermilion Road); and lying South of the south right of way line of Central Avenue.

EXCEPT that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 58 North, Range 15 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly right of way line of Central avenue, which is 140 feet westerly from the center line of Main Street; thence southerly 125 feet a right angle to the last described line; thence easterly at right angle to last described line, to the westerly right of way line of Main Street; thence northerly along the westerly right of way line of Main Street to its intersection with the southerly right of way line of Central Avenue; thence westerly along the southerly right of way line of Central Avenue to the point of beginning.

(Parcel ID No. 100-0080-00630)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board reaffirms Resolution No. 18-165 and authorizes the Public Works Director, or his designee, to complete the purchase of the described property from Wisconsin Central Railroad, Ltd. and to execute and record, on behalf of the county, any documents as may become necessary.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That right-of-way acquisition is payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

Commissioner Jugovich moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Boyle, Grimm, McDonald, Musolf, Nelson, Jugovich and Chair Harala – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

I, **NANCY NILSEN**, Auditor of the County of St. Louis, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 13th day May, A.D. 2025, and that this is a true and correct copy.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of May, A.D., 2025.

NANCY NILSEN, COUNTY AUDITOR

By: _____
Clerk of the County Board/Deputy Auditor