



Meeting Date: May 16, 2016

Report No. CC-16-60

Agenda Item No. 7-a

Status: General Orders

Purpose: Consider sale of City property at 301 S. Washington

Background Summary: The City of Stillwater purchased this property in 2008 at a cost of \$475,000. The funds for this purchase came from the Transportation Sales Tax. The property was purchased as right-of-way for connecting 3rd Avenue from Hester to Washington. The transportation project has since been dropped and is no longer viable due to other current and proposed development in the area. The property is currently paved and provides 8 public parking spaces.

The purchase price of the property included a building that was demolished to accommodate the planned street extension. With the demolition of the building, the value of the property was reduced and is expected to be less than the \$250,000 ordinance threshold established in the City Charter.

Budget Impact: The funding for purchase of this property came from the Transportation Sales Tax.

Alternatives:

1. Continue to use the property as public parking. At issue is whether or not this is an appropriate use of funds intended for transportation projects.
2. Declare the property surplus, sell it at a public auction, and return the proceeds to the Transportation Sales Tax Fund for use on other transportation projects.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that Council declare the property surplus, sell it at a public auction, and return the proceeds to the Transportation Sales Tax Fund for use on other transportation projects.

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