

Gale Woods Farm Special Feature, Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund Award (Pieper), Three Rivers Park District

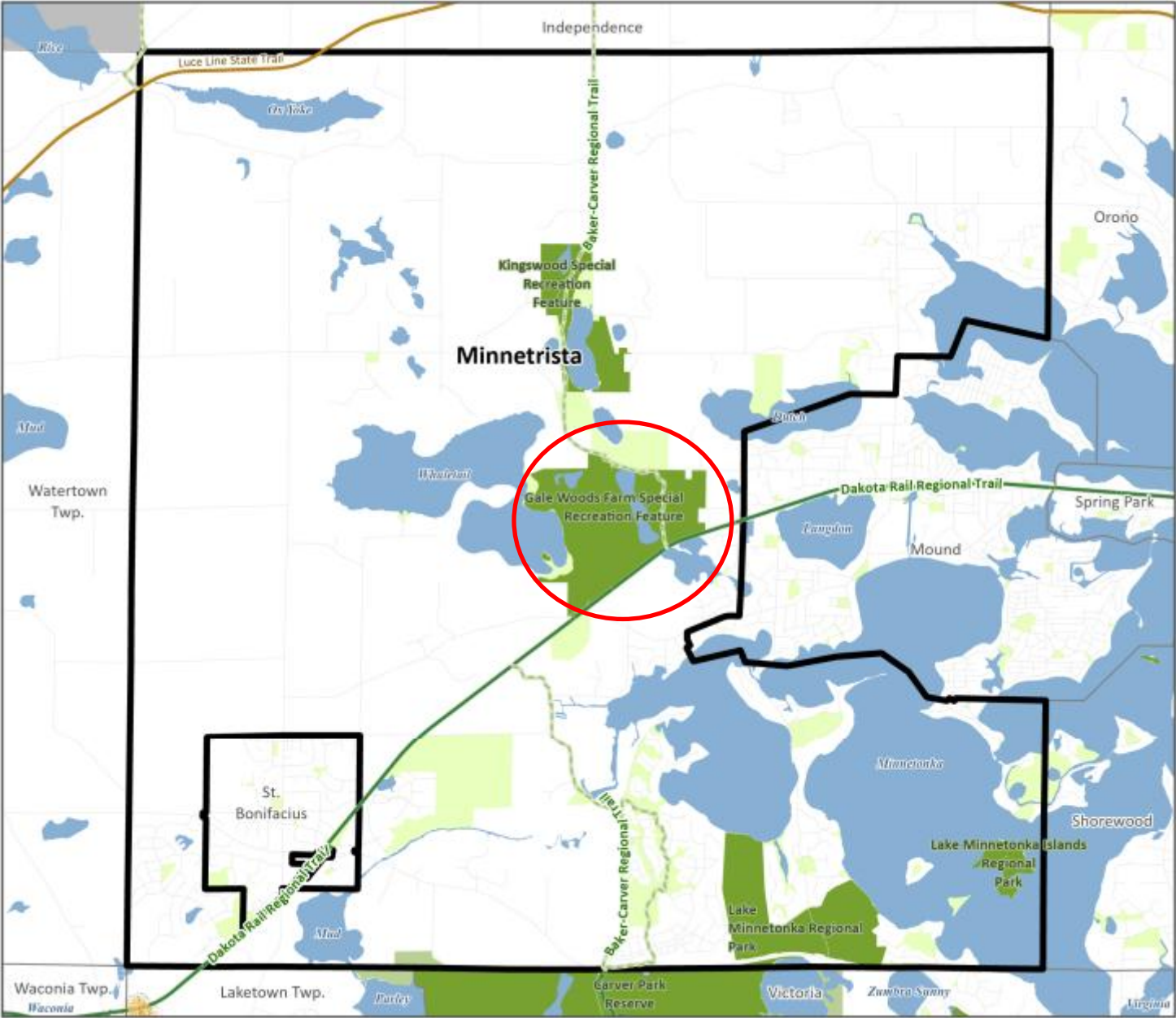
Business Item 2025-269
Community Development Committee

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Gale Woods Farm Special Feature



Project Cost

- Appraised value: \$420,000
- Purchase price: \$420,000
- Total acquisition cost: \$496,711
- Total grant amount: \$365,356
- Three Rivers Park District match: \$121,785



6801 County Road 15
Minnetrista, MN 55364
PID: 1511724430001
1.58 acres

Rationale for recommendation

Consistent with:

- The 2050 Regional Parks Policy Plan;
- The Parks and Trails Legacy Fund
- The Gale Woods Farm Special Feature long-range plan; and
- Three Rivers Park District is within its \$2 million per fiscal year limit for the PTLF Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund.



Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission Recommendation

At the October 2 MPOSC meeting, Commissioners unanimously passed the following resolution:

1. Council staff are directed to proceed with presenting a business item for a PAOF grant to Three Rivers Park District of up to \$365,356 to acquire approximately 1.58 acres located at 6801 County Road 15 in Minnetrista (Pieper property) for Gale Woods Farm;
2. MPOSC supports approval of that acquisition as described in principle; and
3. This should be understood as an unusual circumstance to accommodate a willing seller's wishes, and not an indication of future procedure.

Recommendation



That the Metropolitan Council:

Approve a grant of up to \$365,356 from the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund to Three Rivers Park District to acquire a 1.58-acre parcel located at 6801 County Road 15 in Minnetrista, MN, for Gale Woods Farm Special Feature.