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TO: Eric Campbell, City Manager
FROM: Chris Brown
DATE: 9/19/19
RE: Purchase of land for use in entrance to new high school

Summary: Consider approval and ratification of a real estate purchase agreement dated August 21, 2019 between the City and Bill Neff (the Agreement) for the purchase of 0.751 acre for an entrance to the new high school property.

Background: On January 23, 2018, City council voted to approve the Harrisonburg City School Board's request to fund a second high school and to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to negotiate and execute a contract to purchase real estate necessary for the new high school. On August 22, 2018 the City purchased approximately 60 acres for the new school. The City has now entered into a contract with Bill Neff to purchase 0.751 acre of real estate necessary for the construction of one of the needed entrances to the new high school property. The purchase price for the property is \$150,000. The Agreement is subject to ratification by Council and appropriation of the funds for the purchase.

Key Issues: Ratification of the Agreement for the purchase of the 0.751 acre.

Environmental Impact: None

Fiscal Impact: The City will pay \$150,000 for the property, with closing cost of approximately \$1000.

Prior Actions: Authorization on January 23, 2018 for the City Manager and City Attorney to negotiate and execute a real estate purchase agreement for land necessary for the new high school. Purchase on August 22, 2018 of 60 acres for the new high school.

Alternatives:

- (a) Ratify the Agreement and approve the resolution
- (b); or reject the Agreement and the resolution.
- (c)

Community Engagement: None

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the Agreement and Resolution.

Attachments:

RE: Real Estate Purchase Agreement dated August 21, 2019.

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Review:

The initiating Department Director will place in Legistar, in sequence of transmittal, the names of each department that must initial their review in order for this item to be placed on the City Council agenda. The completion of review only addresses the readiness of the issue for Council consideration. This does not address the recommendation for approval or denial of the issue.

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