

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: ENCROACHMENT PERMIT FOR FOUNDATION ANCHORING SYSTEM AT 3707 TRIPP STREET

BACKGROUND:

On September 10, 2007, the owner of the home at 3545 Tripp Street inquired about installing anchors to stabilize the west wall of his basement, which had started to buckle under hydrostatic pressure. The anchoring system that was designed needed to extend beyond the property line and into a City-owned strip of land at 3707 Tripp Street, which affords access to Franklin Park. An excavation permit was issued by the Department of Public Works, under the conditions that all work be done east of the existing multi-use path so it would not cross the underground water main.

In accordance with those conditions, three rods were installed in the foundation of the home. They extend approximately four feet into the City's property and are anchored by 2-foot by 2-foot square plates, the top edges of which lie 33-34 inches below the ground. The anchoring system rests east of the multi-use path and the water main. An encroachment permit is required for permanent installations of this nature, and the homeowners completed the application on September 20.

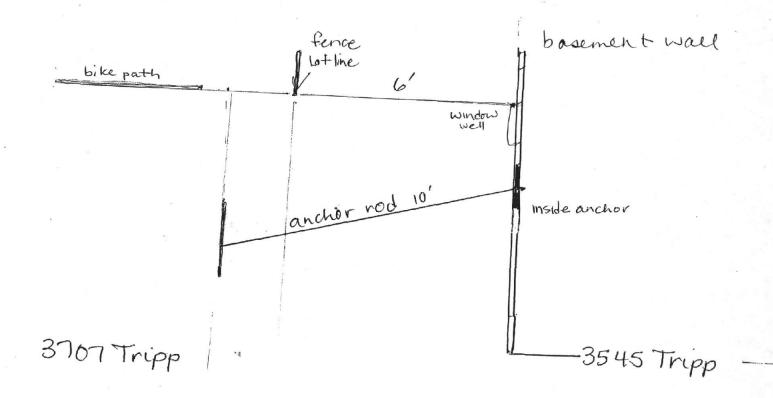
The foundation anchoring rods and plates, as installed, should not impact the City's utilities or use of the property by citizens. The requirements of Section 22.3 of the Municipal Code have been met with the submittal of a hold-harmless agreement signed by the property owner and a certificate of liability insurance coverage naming the City as additional insured. The fee for this permit was calculated at \$28 and the full amount has been received by the City Clerk.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Approve the request for an encroachment permit at 3707 Tripp Street.
- 2. Deny the request for an encroachment permit.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative #1, thereby granting the encroachment permit for a foundation anchoring system at 3707 Tripp Street.



3 anchor rods - 6' apart inside plates - 2'x2' 23' basement wall

