



City of Sunfish Lake
City Council Agenda Report

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TO: Mayor Daniel O’Leary and Members of the Sunfish Lake City Council
FROM: Kori Land, City Attorney
DATE: May 13, 2025
RE: Ordinance Renaming Salem Church Road/55th Street West to Labyrinth Lane

BACKGROUND

There has been confusion surrounding the name of Salem Church Road/55th Street West. It is identified as Salem Church Road on the official city maps by the Minnesota Department of Transportation (“MnDOT”), but is identified as 55th Street West on the Dakota County Property Records as well as by the posted street sign (the “Road”). James B. Naves and Jeannine M. Naves, one of the three property owners who abut the Road, have petitioned the City to change the name of the Road to Labyrinth Lane.

DISCUSSION

Street naming is a function of the City and must be done by ordinance. The Petitioners, who are the lone residential property, have requested the name change and the other two abutting property owners (both churches) do not object. Neither of the churches are addressed off of the Road, so it will have no impact on their existing addresses. The petitioners have agreed to pay for the costs associated with the petition, including the costs of the new street sign and its installation.

Upon approval of Ordinance:

- The City Engineer will order the new sign as well as contract for its installation and will invoice the petitioners for the costs.
- The City Clerk will update the Official City Map to reflect the street name change.
- The Ordinance will be sent to the Dakota County Recorder and the MnDOT Mapping Department with the request that all County and State maps reflect the street name change.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Ordinance renaming Salem Church Road/55th Street West to Labyrinth Lane

ATTACHMENT

An Ordinance of the City of Sunfish Lake Renaming Salem Church Road/55th Street West to Labyrinth Lane

**CITY OF SUNFISH LAKE, MINNESOTA
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-__**

**An Ordinance of the City of Sunfish Lake Renaming Salem Church Road/55th Street West to
Labyrinth Lane**

WHEREAS, the City of Sunfish Lake, Minnesota (“City”), has the power by ordinance, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 412.221, subdivision 18, to rename streets; and

WHEREAS, Salem Church Road is in the City limits, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation (“MnDOT”) Right-of-Way Map attached as Exhibit A, and is identified as 55th Street West, according to the Dakota County Property Map attached as Exhibit B (collectively, Salem Church Road and 55th Street West shall be referred to as the “Road”); and

WHEREAS, one of the three property owners who abut the Road, James B. Naves and Jeannine M. Naves (the “Petitioner”), has petitioned the City to change the name of the Road to Labyrinth Lane (“Petition”); and

WHEREAS, the two other property owners do not object to the Petition; and

WHEREAS, the Petitioner has agreed to pay for the costs associated with the Petition, including the costs of the new street sign and its installation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the Petition and has determined it is in the best interests of the citizens of Sunfish Lake to approve the Petition.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNFISH LAKE THAT:

SECTION 1. ROAD RENAMED. The Road known as Salem Church Road/55th Street West is hereby renamed to Labyrinth Lane, and the City Engineer is hereby authorized to effectuate the purchase and installation of the new sign and invoice the Petitioner for the costs.

SECTION 2. CITY MAP UPDATED. The City Clerk shall cause the Official City Map to be updated to reflect the street name Labyrinth Lane.

SECTION 3. TRANSMITTED TO COUNTY. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be transmitted to the Dakota County Recorder and the MnDOT Mapping Department with the request that all County and State maps reflect the street name approved in this Ordinance. The City Clerk shall send a copy of this Ordinance to the Dakota County Auditor’s Office, in compliance with Minnesota Statute, Section 201.11, Subd. 2.

SECTION 4. SUMMARY PUBLICATION. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 412.191, in the case of a lengthy ordinance, a summary may be published. While a copy of the entire ordinance

is available without cost at the office of the City Clerk, the following summary is approved by the City Council and shall be published in lieu of publishing the entire ordinance.

The name of the road located southeasterly of Highway 494 that is identified as Salem Church Road and/or 55th Street West, is renamed Labyrinth Lane.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance becomes effective from and after its passage and publication.

Adopted by the Sunfish Lake City Council on this ____ day of _____, 2025.

CITY OF SUNFISH LAKE

Daniel O'Leary, Mayor

ATTEST:

Christy Wilcox, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

MNDOT RIGHT-OF-WAY MAP

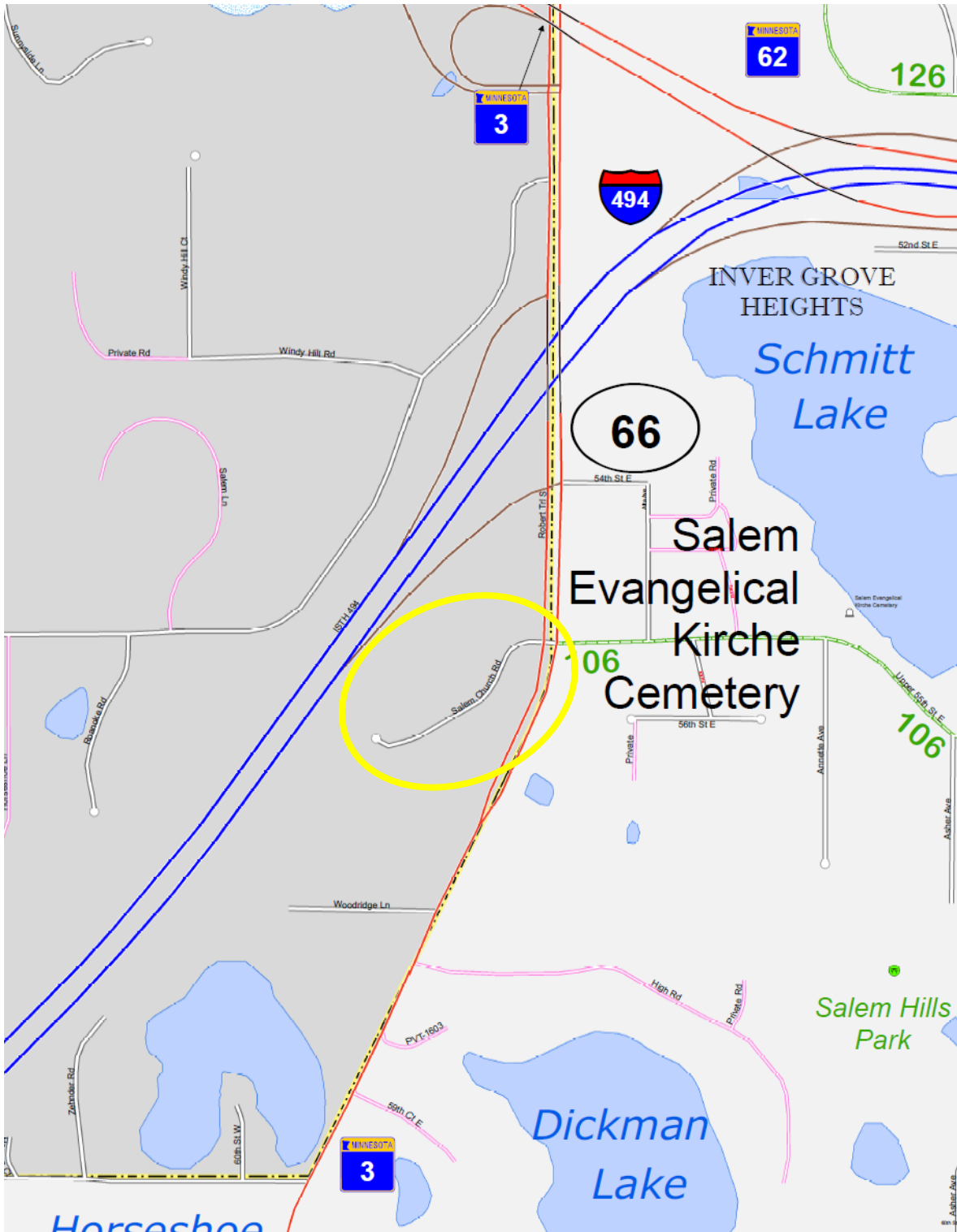
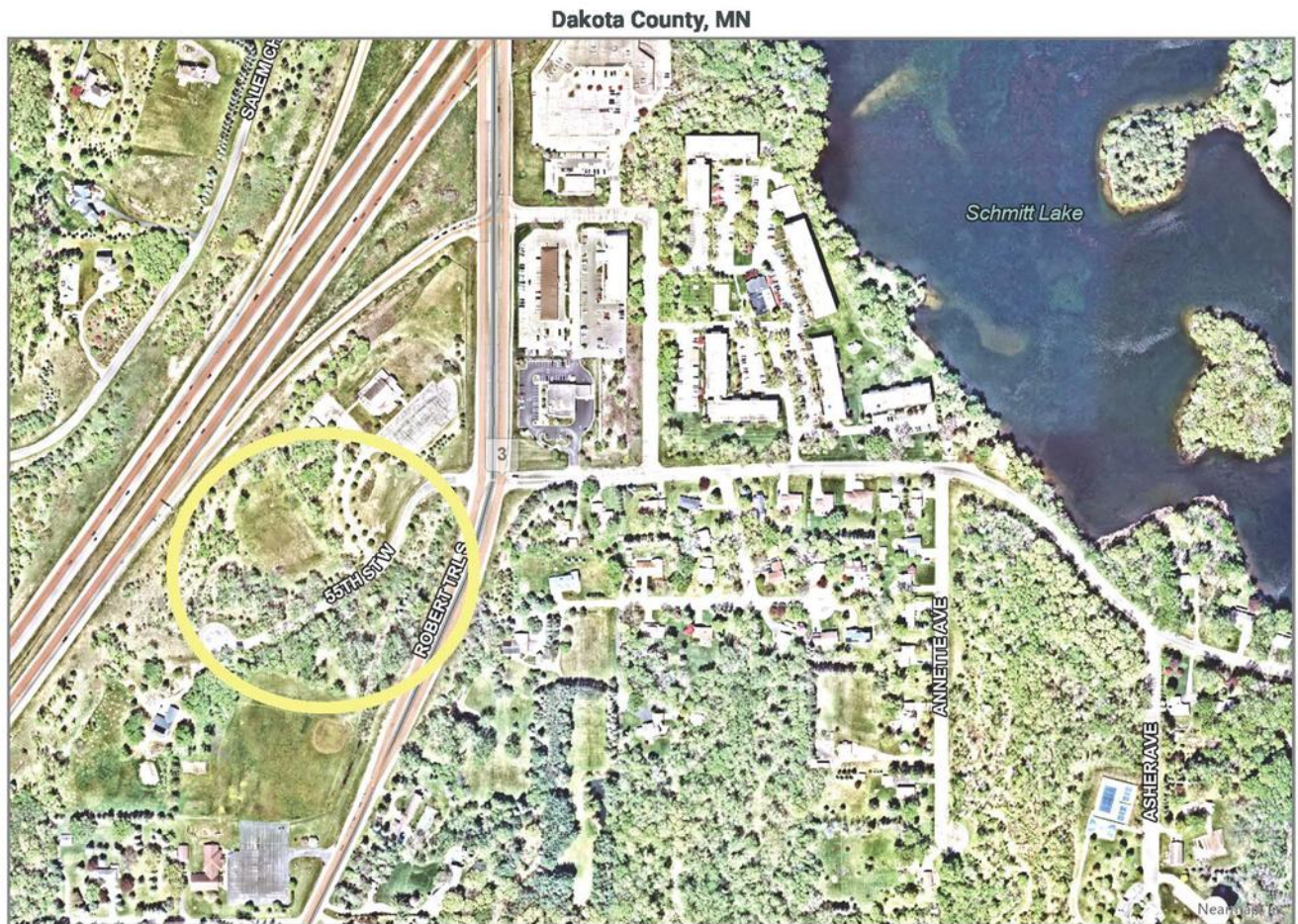


EXHIBIT B

DAKOTA COUNTY PROPERTY MAP



Disclaimer: Map and parcel data are believed to be accurate, but accuracy is not guaranteed. This is not a legal document and should not be substituted for a title search, appraisal, survey, or for zoning verification.

Map Scale
1 inch = 400 feet
4/10/2025