



## ITEM REPORT UTILITIES COMMISSION

Agenda Date: 3/4/2026  
Agenda Section: Business Item

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**Department Origination:** Public Works

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**Agenda Item:** Approve the Widseth Proposal for Professional Design and Bidding Related Engineering Services for the Industrial Park Road Full Depth Reclamation and Storm Sewer Improvements in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$42,500

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**Approval Required:** Simple Majority Vote

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### **BACKGROUND**

In response to staff request, Widseth has submitted the attached proposal for Design and Bidding related services for the improvement of Industrial Park Road from College Road to Widseth entrance. The project was originally scheduled for 2027 as part of the Pavement Management Plan and draft CIP.

The project is being separated from the other 2027 street projects for the following reasons:

- Storm sewer modifications are necessary to accommodate stormwater overflow from the TH 371 and TH 210 interchange project. A series of infiltration basins are proposed along the east side of TH 371 north of Industrial Park Road. WSB is designing the basins with an overflow to the south into the storm sewer system on Industrial Park Road which will require storm sewer and pipe sizing modifications. Stormwater overflows are planned to be routed into the MnDOT stormwater basin located at the south end of their parking lot and then into the College Road stormwater basin.
- The City submitted a PROTECT grant application for Phase 2 of the stormwater outlet project that will ultimately route stormwater overflows from the College Road basin to the Mississippi River. The City was the only grant applicant in the latest round of funding applications. The City is currently working with MnDOT staff to either modify the current grant application or submit a second application to securing funding for the remaining phases of the project. It is very likely the City will be successful in this effort.
- MnDOT may be able to utilize LRIP funding by completing a cooperative roadway and storm sewer project with the City vs. paying an assessment on a City lead project. Utilizing the LRIP funding source is a benefit to MnDOT as they have limited funding sources to pay for local assessments.
- It may be possible to accelerate the project with construction in 2026.

The project limits will be modified and include only roadway that abuts the College Road stormwater basin to the Widseth entrance as this corresponds with the area needed for the storm sewer modifications. The remaining southern portion of the roadway would be reconstructed with the proposed roundabout at the College Road and Douglas Fir Drive intersection scheduled for construction in 2027.

Widseth proposes to perform scope of services outlined in their proposal for the **Not to Exceed Amount of \$42,500**. Widseth is prepared to begin work immediately after issuance of the notice to proceed.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

City staff is exploring grant opportunities to help pay for the project. Depending on what comes from the grant possibilities, there may need to be special assessments and other funding options.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends approving the Widseth proposal.

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

**MOTION** to Approve the Widseth Proposal for Professional Design and Bidding Related Engineering Services for the Industrial Park Road Full Depth Reclamation and Storm Sewer Improvements in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$42,500.