



ITEM REPORT UTILITIES COMMISSION

Agenda Date: 11/7/2024
Agenda Section: Business Item

Department Origination: Public Works

Agenda Item: Approve the Widseth Agreement for Professional Engineering Services in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$155,400 for the 2026 Evergreen Drive Stormwater Outlet Improvements Project

Approval Required: Simple Majority Vote

BACKGROUND

In response to staff request, WIDSETH is pleased to submit their Proposal for Design and Bidding related services for the 2026 Evergreen Drive Stormwater Outlet Improvements Project. Widseth is familiar with this project and has assisted with the following tasks to date:

- Preparation of the Feasibility Report accepted by the Council on September 19, 2023.
- Preliminary topographic survey of the project area
- Assistance with layouts and cost estimates associated with the potential sale of the City owned property located in the project area.
- Wetland delineation services on the City owned property in the project area.
- Wetland mitigation services on the City owned property located south of Hastings Road.

Widseth also assisted with the preparation of a grant application to the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative Efficient and Cost-saving Transportation Program (PROTECT). On June 25, 2024, the City was notified by letter from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) the project was selected for funding by the Central Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership (ATP). A total of \$900,000 in Federal PROTECT funds was made available to the Central Minnesota Region, of which, the City was awarded \$324,896.

The project includes the construction of a surface water overflow from the College Road stormwater basin to the wetland located west of Evergreen Drive and north of CSAH 48 (Highland Scenic Drive). Exhibit A illustrates the project area and completed overflow construction through the North Forestview area to the Mississippi River. Exhibits 2 and 3 show additional detail on the proposed improvements associated with this project

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Widseth proposes to perform the services outlined in the attached Proposal for the Not to Exceed Amount of \$155,400. Costs for the report will be tracked and rolled into the future project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends approval of the Widseth Agreement in the amount of \$155,400.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED

MOTION to approve the Widseth Agreement for Professional Engineering Services in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$155,400 for the 2026 Evergreen Drive Stormwater Outlet Improvements Project.