



ITEM REPORT UTILITIES COMMISSION

Agenda Date: 8/7/2025
Agenda Section: Information Only

Department Origination: Public Works

Agenda Item: 2025 Design Road & TH 371 Stormwater Improvements Project Monthly Update

Approval Required: No Action Required

BACKGROUND

The Project was awarded to JR Ferche by the City Council on July 15th. Widseth has been working with MNDOT and JR Ferche to complete all the required submittals and only one submittal is remaining. MNDOT issued a Notice to Proceed on July 18th. The Pre-Construction and Public Informational meeting were held on July 24th at City Hall. There were approximately 8 individuals representing approximately 5 of the businesses along Design Road at the meeting. The biggest concern brought up was the potential water shutdowns and we noted we will try to keep the shutdowns to a minimum and the City would provide a 48-hour notice prior to any disruptions in water service.

The Contractor is starting with setting up the road closures and removals the week of the 28th. This will be followed by setting up dewatering, temporary water service, completing the sanitary and water service replacements and the watermain lowering. City staff is having trouble fully closing gate valves outside the project area which may require additional valve replacements in order to properly isolate the Design Road corridor. This will likely increase the potential water shutdown area. Once the services and watermain lowering's are completed, mainline sanitary sewer, storm sewer and jack and bore is planned to start the week of August 11th.

Widseth has Construction Observation staff on site daily. Widseth has also been reviewing with the property owners and making sure they are updated on project details.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED