



REQUEST FOR ACTION CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Date: 9/21/2026
Agenda Section: Consent Agenda

Department Origination: Public Works

Agenda Item: Provide Consensus toward accepting a proposed change order moving the Cherrywood Drive work to 2027 for the 2026 Mill & Overlay Improvements

Approval Required: Consensus of Council

BACKGROUND

City staff would like to update the City Council on the recent developments of the 2026 Mill & Overlay Improvements Project. Construction activities are progressing and nearly completed in the Mississippi Meadows and Timberlane Drive areas. The initial delay in the project is that City Staff and Widseth have been working on obtaining temporary and permanent easements for the Cherrywood Drive storm sewer. The residents that the city is obtaining easements from do not have a problem with the proposed work. Three of the five easements have been completed. The delay is with the last two easements, as we are working with the mortgage companies to obtain mortgage consent. The mortgage companies are difficult to work with, and it is taking far longer than anticipated. To avoid going to condemnation, City staff are continuing to coordinate with the mortgage companies to complete the required paperwork. The work on Cherrywood Drive has not started because we are waiting for the easements.

The other item related to the project is the passing of Al DeChantal. DeChantal Excavating is a subcontractor on the project and is focused on the undergrounds work items. This includes coordinating the directional drilling of the storm sewer pipe, the watermain exploratory excavations and any watermain repairs that may be required. To provide DeChantal Excavating some flexibility to complete the work in the area they have already started, City staff is recommending the work associated with Cherrywood Drive be moved to 2027. This would provide City staff with additional time to complete the final easement documents and allow DeChantal Excavating to finish their other work already in progress.

Widseth and Anderson Brothers have been reviewing the impacts to the project associated with pushing the Cherrywood work to 2027. Anderson Brothers reached out to the subcontractors and was able to put together additional costs such as mobilization, labor cost increase, and other costs to complete the work in 2027. The total estimated impact on the project budget would be approximately \$15,000.

Widseth and Anderson Brothers are still working on the finer details of the costs and will bring change orders to the Utility Commission in October and November.

The Public Works Director and Contracted Project Engineer are seeking direction from Council and asking for a general consensus on proceeding with a change order to move the work on Cherrywood Drive to 2027. If the Council does not wish to proceed with the change order, coordination would ne

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The project budget is currently set at \$1,664,147. With the additional \$15,000 (Change Order #2) to move the Cherrywood Drive Work to 2027, and a pending Change Order #1 estimated at \$30,000, the current project

budget is estimated at \$1,527,430. This leaves an additional \$136,717 left in the project budget. The main reason the remaining budget is so high is because the watermain tee replacements in the Timberlane area were not required as all tees were found to be ductile iron. This item added \$70,906 back to the project budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Public Works Director and Contracted Project Engineer recommended the consensus of approving the proposed change order to move the work on Cherrywood Drive to 2027.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED

MOTION to Provide Consensus toward accepting a proposed change order moving the Cherrywood Drive work to 2027 for the 2026 Mill & Overlay Improvements.