



Engineering Memorandum

March 10, 2025

RE: March 18th Commission Meeting

DICKINSON HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

For your consideration is a development agreement with Dickinson Public School District #1 (Owner) to extend a new looped 6-inch PVC watermain from Fairway Street to Empire Road across the property legally described as Block 1, Senior High School Addition. This development agreement was approved by the Dickinson Public School District #1 Board meeting on Monday March 10, 2025. The intent of the new looped 6-inch PCV watermain is to supply water for the new high school expansion. The Owner will be required to provide a utility easement which will be dedicated to the City of Dickinson after the watermain is installed. The utility easement will provide the City of Dickinson access to the new watermain to own and maintain the system. The looped watermain from Empire Road to Fairway Street will minimize any potential future risk of not supplying water to the High School if there were to be an issue with the City of Dickinson infrastructure.

As specified in Section 2 of the Development Agreement, the City of Dickinson will bid the watermain extension project as a City of Dickinson Capital Improvement project which has been designated as project number 202511. The City of Dickinson will aid the Owner in submitting a cost share application to the North Dakota Department of Water Resources (NDDWR) which is anticipated to fund approximately 60% of the project. If the cost share funding is approved by the North Dakota State Water Commission, the City of Dickinson will execute the watermain extension project 202511, submit the cost share request documentation to the NDDWR, and then invoice the Owner for all remaining project expenses that were not funded by the NDDWR. The NDDWR cost share application has been submitted for a cost share amount of **\$486,729**. The remainder of the project cost is estimated to be **\$359,486** which will be invoiced to the Owner based on the actual project expenses.

The City Engineering staff recommends approval.

