

Engineering Memorandum

March 27, 2024

RE: April 2nd Commission Meeting

202405-1 SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - RESOLUTION:

For your consideration is Resolution 202405-1 for the 2024 Sidewalk Improvement District. This Resolution is to create the sidewalk improvement district of the City of Dickinson and authorizing the improvements and assessments as a voluntary funding option for all citizens. The SID is payable over a 10-year period at an interest rate of 5.9%. Special assessments paid in full by October 1, 2025, will not be charged interest and no penalty would be levied for paying the special assessments early.

This mechanism will allow citizens to make improvements to sidewalks, curbs, gutters and driveways which are within the street right of way through a voluntary special assessment process and have the cost thereof assessed as special assessments against the improved parcel, upon compliance with certain requirements of the City. This resolution will create the legal authority for the City of Dickinson to assess costs for sidewalks and curb and gutter improvements to properties within the City of Dickinson pursuant to N.D.C.C. Section 40-31 and Dickinson Municipal Code § 33.04.180 which will encompass all property within the corporate limits of the City of Dickinson. The advertisement for bids together with the plans and specifications for this project will be authorized to proceed. This is a voluntary program, and no property owner will be required to participate in this district. These improvements to sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and driveways as provided in this resolution will be limited to developed properties. Property owners engaging in new construction will not be eligible to participate in sidewalk improvement district.

Construction will occur during the construction season of 2024.

The city engineering staff recommends approval.

