



## CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

**DATE OF MEETING:** May 28, 2024

**ITEM TITLE:** Resolution to provide for a notice of hearing on proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimate of cost for the Independence 8th Avenue NW – IPF Area Stormwater Improvements Project, and the taking of bids therefor

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### **BACKGROUND:**

Last Fall, during the recruitment of Independence Premium Foods to the City to replace Blue Buffalo, the City agreed to provide \$300,000 in funding towards a High-Quality Jobs Act award by the Iowa Economic Development Authority. One of the items used to provide this funding was providing in-kind work improving the storm sewer system in the area.

### **DISCUSSION:**

This is a required step for the Independence 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW – IPF Area Stormwater Improvements Project to move forward. The resolution establishes the date and time for the Public Hearing to be held on June 24, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Contractors will be required to submit their bids to City Hall by 11:00 am on Thursday, June 20, 2024.

### **RESULTS:**

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of Expanding and Enhancing Infrastructure and Engaging and Catalyzing Community. This item helps achieve that vision by resolving the stormwater drainage issues in this neighborhood.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:**

Funding for the engineering for this project will come from the bond issuance done in May 2023. The cash is currently in City accounts for the \$300,000 match needed.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends a motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the resolution that provides for a notice of hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the Independence 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW – IPF Area Stormwater Improvements Project, and the taking of bids therefor.