

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date September 11, 2025

Originating Department Public Works

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Title Resolution 25-2025/Accepting the 35th Ave NE Drainage Improvements

Project

Legislative History

First Presentation – September 11, 2025, Regular Meeting

Attachments:

1. Resolution 25-2025

Executive Summary

The Department of Public Works (DPW) recommends approving the 35th Ave NE Drainage Improvements project (Project). Once the City Council accepts the Project as complete, city staff will be able to close out the public works contract for it.

Background

The City entered into a public works contract with RW Lockwood Construction, Inc. (Contractor) in October 2024 to install approximately 300 linear feet of storm drainpipe with connected catch basins and manholes, complete surface restoration there, and carry out other related work. The project was located at 16518 35th Ave NE and 16512 35th Ave NE, as well as the adjacent right-of-way. Construction started in October 2024 and was physically completed by March 2025.

The original contract value for the Project was \$275,104.35. After completing the work, the Contractor disputed the original contract amount but did not provide enough documentation to support its claim. Due to a design error by the consulting engineer, the final Project cost increased by \$2,930.12 to \$278,034.47. Our consulting engineer has compensated the City with a \$2,930.12 payment. Additionally, the City and our consulting engineer took steps to prevent the Contractor from further disputing the contract value.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

With the payment from our consulting engineer covering the contract value overages, the project has been executed according to the approved capital budget and does not require additional funding.

Alternatives

Options	Results
Adopt Resolution	The City will close out the public works contract with the Contractor and remit retainage for the Project.
No Action	The City will not close out the publics works contract with the Contractor and will not remit retainage for the Project.

Staff Recommendation

Move to adopt Resolution 25-2025, confirming the Project's completion.