



## CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	Tuesday, February 12, 2019
<b>Category:</b>	NEW BUSINESS
<b>Type:</b>	INFO
<b>Subject:</b>	Wetland Mitigation HRA Owned Property Located in Sonstegard Subdivision
<b>Background Information:</b>	<p>HRA has received an offer to purchase HRA owned property located in Sonstegard Subdivision. That property contains 0.43 of designated wetland. The existence and location of the designated wetland makes the property difficult to develop as the wetland is located in the center of the property.</p> <p>The EDA has retained the services of wetland delineator employed with Bolton &amp; Menk engineering firm. The 0.43 acre wetland has been identified as Types 1 and 2 wetland. The local, state and federal agencies have agreed that the wetland has been properly identified by size and type. The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources has state jurisdiction over the designation of wetlands. The basic wetland policy for the state of Minnesota is zero net loss of wetlands. Minnesota state law does require that Types 1 and 2 wetlands may be filled if they are replaced on a 2:1 basis. Therefore, 0.86 acres of wetland bank credits have been identified and the City is prepared to purchase the wetland credits from the wetland bank. The Lyon County Soil and Water District has signed off on the appropriate forms. It is hereby requested that the City Council approve the following payments for the acquisition of wetland bank credits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Non-Corps of Engineers jurisdiction wetlands may be acquired from wetland bank credit at a rate of \$19,000 per acre. Total purchase to Hultgren Farms for 0.86 wetland credits is \$16,340.00.</li><li>2. State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources requires payment of \$2,519.80 as the appropriate state fee for acquisition of 0.86 acres of wetland bank credit.</li></ol> <p>The wetland bank purchase form has been signed by all local officials. The bank purchase form is ready to be sent into the wetland bank credit manager. For informational purposes, City Attorney is requesting that the two checks in the above stated amounts be approved so that those checks can be forwarded with wetland bank credit to the wetland bank manager and subsequent submittal to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources.</p> <p>Sale of property is contingent upon wetland bank mitigation approval and approval by property owner after public hearing.</p>
<b>Fiscal Impact:</b>	Costs to the City in the amounts as set forth above. Sale of property yields sale price of \$59,115.
<b>Alternative/ Variations:</b>	None recommended.
<b>Recommendations:</b>	Information purposes only to explain to HRA and Council the wetland bank credit issue necessary to be complete prior to sale of property.