

# AGENDA ITEM MEMORANDUM

DATE: 3/5/2025

TO: Public Works Committee

FROM: Kevin Jump, PE - City Engineer

SUBJECT: Resolution 182-24-25 - Releasing a property owner from liability related to the soil borings.

## <u>ISSUE</u>

Should the Public Works Committee recommend releasing a property owner from liability associated with employees and/or agents of the City of Sheboygan entering upon the owner's land to obtain soil borings in conjunction with the Southside Interceptor Project?

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of releasing the property owner from liability related to the soil borings.

## BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

As a part of the ongoing design of the proposed Southside Sewer Interreceptor, the design consultant has sub-contracted with a geotechnical company to perform soils borings. The soil borings provide both the design consultant and construction contractors information pertaining to the expected construction conditions.

One soil boring is proposed on property owned by Dan Casper (Parcel 59281472507). Mr. Casper was contacted by City staff requesting permission to perform the soil boring on his property. During this conversation, Mr. Casper asked for a document to be provided, prior to any work being completed on his property, indicating he would not be liable for any issues related to the completion of the soil borings.

## FUNDING IMPACT

There is no immediate impact, but not being able to provide prospective bidder's information on the soil conditions expected during construction, may result in increased construction costs.

## IF APPROVED, NEXT STEPS:

A copy of the approved resolution will be provided to Mr. Casper, followed by soil boring occurring in the next few weeks.

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