

# Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, ICMA-CM, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer

Date: November 25, 2024

Subject: Adoption of 2025 Fee Schedule

### **Project Overview:**

The 2025 Street Improvement Project includes proposed mill and overlay work for the following segments:

- 79th Avenue NE: Between Able Street and TH-65.
- Taylor Street NE: Between 79th Avenue and Osborne Road.

These improvements are part of the City's comprehensive street maintenance program and are consistent with similar projects completed in previous years.

## Scope of Work:

- Milling and overlay of 2 inches of bituminous pavement.
- Spot repairs to concrete curb and gutter.
- Minimal repairs to pedestrian curb ramps.
- Adjustment of valve boxes and castings as necessary.
- Restoration of disturbed areas with topsoil and seeding.

No water main, sanitary sewer, or major storm sewer work is included in this project, as these systems are in good condition.

#### **Estimated Costs and Assessments:**

The **total estimated project cost** is \$405,400, which includes construction, administrative fees, and contingency.

The assessment policy divides costs as follows:

- 100% of costs for commercial, industrial, school, and church properties based on frontage.
- 45% of costs for residential properties on a per parcel basis.
  The City will cover remaining costs not allocated to assessments.

#### **Proposed Assessment Rates:**

- Single-family residential: \$2,850 per parcel.
- Townhomes: \$1,710 per parcel.
- Non-residential properties: \$84.88 per front foot.

These rates align with the City's assessment practices and reflect inflation-adjusted rates from previous projects.

#### Area to be Assessed:

Properties adjacent to 79th Avenue NE and Taylor Street NE are proposed for assessments. A detailed map and preliminary assessment roll have been prepared and shared with affected property owners.

## Feasibility Findings:

The feasibility study concluded that:

- 1. The proposed improvements are necessary and cost-effective.
- 2. The project adheres to engineering and construction standards.
- 3. The City's assessment methodology ensures an equitable distribution of costs.

## **Next Steps:**

- 1. **Public Hearing:** Gather public input on the proposed project and assessments at the Improvement Hearing being held on December 2, 2024 at 7:00pm.
- 2. **Council Action:** Following the hearing, the Council may:
  - o Approve the project as proposed.
  - o Adjust the project scope or assessment methodology based on feedback.
  - o Order the preparation of detailed plans and specifications for bidding.

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 2024-70, Ordering Improvement and Preparation of Plans – 2025 Street Improvement Project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.