

October 6, 2026

ITEM: New Business – Resolution 10.26.09: Ordering Preparation of Report on Improvement for 1st Avenue South Improvements

BACKGROUND: The city is considering potential improvements to 1st Avenue South (CSAH 56) from 10th Street to 11th Street. The proposed project may include sanitary sewer, watermain, storm sewer, street, sidewalk, turf establishment, erosion control, and related improvements.

Because the city is considering assessing benefited properties for all or a portion of the project costs pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 429, the next step is to authorize preparation of a preliminary engineering report.

The attached resolution directs the City Engineer to study the proposed improvements and report back to the City Council regarding the necessity, cost-effectiveness, and feasibility of the project; whether the improvement; the estimated project cost; and the methodology that would be used to calculate individual assessments for affected properties.

Approval of this resolution does not authorize construction of the project or establish assessment against affected properties. Rather, it authorizes the engineering study necessary to provide the Council with additional information before determining whether to proceed with the proposed improvement.

Once preliminary engineering report is completed, it will be presented to the City Council for review and consideration of the next steps in the Chapter 429 improvement process.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve/Deny Resolution.