

City Council Meeting

Agenda Item

Data Sheet

Meeting Date: February 17, 2025

Topic:

Approve a Pipeline License Agreement with BNSF Railway Company for the installation of a water line along E. Hufsmith crossing under the BNSF railroad crossing, Project Number 2024-10002, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$5,000, authorize the expenditure of funds therefor, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. This project was included in the FY 2023-2024 capital budget.

Background:

The City completed and adopted an update to the Water Master Plan in 2023 (Resolution Number 2023-48). The proposed 16-inch water line extension along E. Hufsmith was identified in the Water Master Plan as a high-priority project to be completed within five years.

The project is to install a 16-inch water line along E. Hufsmith from the current end of the existing 16-inch line at Timber Trails Lake Place extending to the intersection of Ulrich Road/S. Cherry Street and crossing under the BNSF railroad crossing. The recommendation for the project will ensure the ability to serve future peak hourly demand and provide distribution system capacity for maintaining the Ulrich elevated storage tank (EST) water level and increasing available fire flow.

In February 2024, City Council approved a professional services agreement with Oller Engineering, Inc. (OEI) to complete the design of the water line and aspects required for project completion. OEI has been working to complete the design, including coordination with BNSF to obtain permission for crossing under the BNSF railroad crossing.

As part of the permission for the railroad crossing the City must execute a Pipeline License agreement for the construction, installation, and maintenance of the water line along BNSF’s right-of-way. The agreement will provide the necessary legal access, ensure safety compliance, and outline the responsibilities and obligations of both parties for the successful completion and ongoing maintenance of the water line project.

The proposed Pipeline License Agreement with BNSF Railway Company is for a not-to-exceed amount of \$5,000.

Project Cost	FY 2024 Expenditures	FY 2025 Anticipated Expenditures
Engineering – OEI	\$45,217.08	\$301,164.92
BNSF Railway Company	\$0.00	\$4,966.00
Proposed Construction (estimate)	\$0.00	\$2,205,652
Total Cost	\$45,217.08	\$2,511,782.92
FY2024:	FY2025 Funding (Impact Fees):	Total Project Budget:
\$45,217.08	\$2,511,782.92	\$2,557,000

