TO: City Council

FROM: Tyle Zuchowski, Water Resources & Sustainability Deputy Director

DATE: November 2, 2026

SUBJECT: Resolution No. R2026-016 Emergency Declaration Clark Place Sewer Repair Project

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1) Recommended Action:

Adopt Resolution No. R2026-016, Emergency Declaration Clark Place Sewer Repair Project.

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2) Background:

Through video inspection, it was discovered that there is significant degradation of the gravity sewer line located on Clark Place. The sewer line is in close physical proximity to a parallel primary municipal water main, creating an immediate threat of cross-contamination to the local potable water supply if the sewer line were to fail. It is still functioning though needs to be replaced as soon as possible to reduce the likelihood of a collapse, resulting in a sewer overflow.

This item did not first go to Public Works Committee due to scheduling constraints, as Council must adopt the Resolution with 14 days of contract award.

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3) Policy Support:

RCW 39.04.280 - Competitive bidding requirements – Exemptions and Sections 2.7 and 3.5.5 of the Tumwater Purchasing Manual provide for an emergency exemption to competitive bidding requirements for public works.

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4) Alternatives:

- ❑ Do not approve resolution.

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5) Fiscal Notes:

A contract with Black Hills Excavating in the amount of $369,806.40 including sale tax was signed on October 29, 2026.

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6) Attachments:

A. Resolution No. R2026-016 Emergency Declaration Clark Place Sewer Repair Project
B. Public Works Contract Clark Place Sewer Repair Project