



Council Agenda Item

Meeting Date:	February 17, 2026
Agenda Item:	Putnam Street Reconstruction
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BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what when, where, why)

Putnam Street is planned for reconstruction in 2026. Work includes installing water main, storm sewer, curb & gutter and asphalt pavement. The project also includes some work on Walworth Avenue between Putnam Street and Scott Street. Work in this section includes replacing storm sewer and asphalt pavement. The project had a bid opening on Wednesday, February 4, 2026. 6 bids were received.

- CJP Excavating \$554,184.05
- RR Walton & Company \$587,024.25
- Forest Landscaping & Construction \$598,594.00
- Rock Road Companies \$660,490.50
- Fischer Excavating \$662,467.50
- The Wanasek Corporation \$678,467.00

PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

The design of this project was approved in the 2022-2023 CIP budget with the Task Order approved by the Public Works Committee and Common Council in August 2022. The project was originally scheduled for construction in 2024, but discussions with the railroad about storm water drainage resulted in the project being delayed. The construction project was approved as part of the 2026-2027 CIP budget. The Public Works Committee recommend approval of the contract to the low bid submitted by CJP Excavating at their February 10, 2026 meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

The low bid is a bit higher than the budgeted amount. Below is a breakdown by account.

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Bid</u>
Levy	\$235,100	\$277,111.65
Water	\$176,000	\$130,657.80
Storm Sewer	<u>\$90,800</u>	<u>\$146,414.10</u>
	\$501,900	\$554,184.05

The big difference in the Levy amount is in the asphalt price where the estimated cost of \$79/ton jumped to \$103.5/ton for a difference of \$32,400. In the storm sewer amount, the design was changed after discussions with the railroad forced us to run the storm sewer to the north to Walworth Avenue. There are remaining borrowed funds from last year's Stormwater Detention Maintenance project that can be used to offset the difference. On the Levy side, there are additional paving projects that could be delayed, if need be, to offset the difference.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

CJP Excavating is located in Helenville, WI. They were prequalified to submit a bid on this project. Though this project came in slightly over budget, there are funds available. Staff recommends a motion to accept the low bid from CJP Excavating award the Putnam Street Reconstruction contract to CJP Excavating.

ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

1. Bid Summary Letter
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