

**A G E N D A**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023**  
**5:30 P.M.**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Call to Order.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Oath of Office: Jeff Austin, Jason Baskin, Laura Helle and Joyce Poshusta

Roll Call.

(mot) 1. Adoption of Agenda.

(mot) 2. Approving minutes from December 19, 2022

3. Recognitions and Awards.

Welcoming George Thomas as the Honorary Council Member

(mot) 4. \*Consent Agenda

Licenses:

Food: Aldi, 1700 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW

Food: C & S Vending Co., Inc, 1900 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE

Food: Dollar General, 101 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW

Food: Grinders Deli, 604 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NW

Food: KFC, 1401 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW

Garbage Service: Waste Management of So. MN, Clarks Grove

Lodging Establishment: Greenwich Guest House

Massage Therapist: Jennifer Hatfield, 1802 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW

Right of Way: Consolidation Communications Enterprise Services, Mattoon, IL

Taxi Driver: Irma Diego Pedro

Temporary Liquor: Pacelli Catholic Schools on January 28, 2023

Claims:

- a. Pre-list of bills
- b. Credit Card Report.

**PETITIONS AND REQUESTS:**

(res) 5. Approving a MnDOT Stand-Alone Noise Barrier Program application.

(res) 6. Designating depositories for checking and investment of public funds for 2023.

(res) 7. Approving budget adjustment number 1.

(res) 8. Receiving a feasibility report and calling for a public hearing on February 21, 2023 for street improvements on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW (20<sup>th</sup> Street to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street NW), 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW (22<sup>nd</sup> Street to Dead End) and 20<sup>th</sup> Street NW (4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Dead End), Project 18105.

(res) 9. Receiving a feasibility report and calling for a public hearing on February 21, 2023 for street improvements on 1<sup>st</sup> Street NW (Oakland Avenue West to 1<sup>st</sup> Drive NW), Project 23101.

(res) 10. Receiving a feasibility report and calling for a public hearing on February 21, 2023 for street improvements on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (10<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW), 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (2<sup>nd</sup> Drive to 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW) and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (2<sup>nd</sup> Drive to 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW), Project 23102.

(res) 11. Receiving a feasibility report and calling for a public hearing on February 21, 2023 for street improvements on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE (19<sup>th</sup> Drive to 21<sup>st</sup> Street NE) and 19<sup>th</sup> Drive NE (6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE), Project 23103.

(res) 12. Receiving a feasibility report and calling for a public hearing on February 21, 2023 for street improvements on 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE (16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE), Project 23104.

(res) 13. Receiving a feasibility report and calling for a public hearing on February 21, 2023 for street improvements on Hormel Drive (4<sup>th</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE), Project 23105.

(res) 14. Receiving a feasibility report and calling for a public hearing on February 21, 2023 for street improvements on 21<sup>st</sup> Street SW (22<sup>nd</sup> Street to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW) and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (Oakland Avenue West to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW), Project 23106.

(res) 15. Accepting donations to the City of Austin.

**CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL**

**HONORARY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

City Administrator

City Council

(mot) Adjourn to **Tuesday, January 17, 2023** at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

\*All items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen so requests in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

**M I N U T E S**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**December 19, 2022**  
**5:30 PM**  
**Council Chambers**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor King. Council Members Paul Fischer, Rebecca Waller, Jason Baskin, Michael Postma, Joyce Poshusta, Geoff Baker and Council Member-at-Large Jeff Austin

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Administrator Craig Clark, Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert, Police Chief David McKichan, Human Resources Director Trish Wiechmann, Public Works Director Steven Lang, Fire Chief Jim McCoy, Planning and Zoning Administrator Holly Wallace, Park and Rec Director Dave Merrill, City Attorney Craig Byram and City Clerk Ann Kasel

**APPEARING IN PERSON:** Austin Daily Herald, KAAL TV, Alex Baumgartner, Representative Patti Mueller, Laura Helle

Mayor King called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Moved by Council Member Fischer, seconded by Council Member Baskin, approving the agenda. Carried.

Moved by Council Member Postma, seconded by Council Member Fischer, approving Council minutes from December 5, 2022 and the Truth in Taxation hearing on December 7, 2022. Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Council Member Baskin, seconded by Council Member Fischer, approving the proposed consent agenda. Motion failed 3-4 with Council Members Waller, Poshusta, Baker and Council Member-at-Large Austin voting nay.

Moved by Council Member Poshusta, seconded by Council Member-at-Large Austin, tabling the boards and commissions appointments on the consent agenda to the January 3, 2023 work session. Carried 4-3 with Council Members Postma, Baskin and Fischer voting nay.

Moved by Council Member Baskin, seconded by Council Member Postma, approving the consent agenda as follows:

Licenses:

2023 License renewals (*complete list in the consent agenda folder*)

Exempt Gambling (raffle): NWTF Cedar River Longbeards on January 28, 2023

Claims:

- a. Pre-list of bills
- b. Investment and Financial Report.

Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing was held for the adoption of the City's 5-year Capital Improvement Plan.

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert presented the document stating that the items for 2023 will be given approval for purchase with Council approval and it serves as a planning tool for future years.

There were no public comments.

Moved by Council Member-at-Large Austin, seconded by Council Member Waller, adopting the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. Carried 7-0.

**PETITIONS AND REQUESTS**

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert requested the Council approve the 2023 tax levy at \$8,283,000. He stated that is a 4.23% tax levy increase. Mr. Dankert noted it was approved unanimously at the December 7, 2022 Truth in Taxation Hearing.

Moved by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member Baskin, adopting a resolution approving the tax levy for 2023. Carried 7-0.

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert requested the Council approve the City's budget for 2023 at \$39,811,892.

Moved by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member-at-Large Austin, adopting a resolution adopting the budget for 2023. Carried 7-0.

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert requested the Council approve the cancellation of certain ad valorem tax levies for 2023. He stated the City does not need to levy these funds to the taxpayers because it has other revenue sources.

Moved by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member-at-Large Austin, adopting a resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain ad valorem tax levies. Carried 7-0.

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert requested the Council reject the proposed loan with PFA on the agenda. He stated the market has gone down and the City will reprice

their rate and come back with a new loan agreement. He stated that the City is hopeful of receiving an approximately 2% interest rate for the loan.

Moved by Council Member-at-Large Austin, seconded by Council Member Waller, adopting a resolution rejecting a \$42,216,633 general obligation wastewater revenue note. Carried 7-0.

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert requested the Council approve an amendment to the City's 457(b) plan to allow for a Roth IRA conversion. This has been requested by an employee and most 457(b) plans already allow it.

Moved by Council Member Fischer, seconded by Council Member Baker, adopting a resolution approving an amendment to the City's 457(b) deferred compensation plan to allow for a Roth IRA conversion. Carried 7-0.

City Clerk Ann Kasel requested the Council approve 2023 liquor licenses.

Moved by Council Member Fischer, seconded by Council Member Poshusta, adopting a resolution granting 2023 licenses for sale of hard liquor on-sale, Sunday hard liquor on-sale, Sunday wine on-sale, and 3.2 beer on and off-sale. Carried 7-0.

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert stated the Austin Daily Herald is the only eligible newspaper for official City publications. They have increased their rate by 3.1% for 2023.

Moved by Council Member Fischer, seconded by Council Member Postma, designating the Austin Daily Herald as the official newspaper for 2023. Carried 7-0.

City Administrator Craig Clark requested the Council approve the union contracts with Austin Employees Association and Law Enforcement Labor Services.

Moved by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member Fischer, adopting a resolution approving the Austin Employees Association 2023-2025 labor agreement. Carried 7-0.

Moved by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member Postma, adopting a resolution approving the Law Enforcement Labor Services 2023-2025 labor agreement. Carried 7-0.

Public Works Director Steven Lang requested the Council renew the ICM agreements for the domestic and industrial plants with Hormel Foods. The agreements set the limitations for sanitary sewer discharges and run through 2025. He stated that with the new industrial plant in 2025 the domestic agreement will expire at the end of the construction as the space for the industrial waste water will not be needed anymore in the domestic area.

Moved by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member Postma, adopting a resolution approving an ICM agreement for the domestic plant with Hormel Foods. Carried 6-0 with Council Member Baskin abstaining.

Moved by Council Member Austin, seconded by Council Member Postma, adopting a resolution approving an ICM agreement for the industrial plant with Hormel Foods. Carried 6-0 with Council Member Baskin abstaining.

Public Works Director Steven Lang requested the Council renew the ICM agreement with Nu-Tek Biosciences. The agreement sets the limitations for sanitary sewer discharges and runs through June 30, 2023.

Moved by Council Member Fischer, seconded by Council Member Poshusta, adopting a resolution approving an ICM agreement with Nu-Tek Biosciences, LLC. Carried 7-0.

Public Works Director Steven Lang requested the Council approved a delegated pass-through agreement with the State of Minnesota. The agreement allows the State of Minnesota to disburse Federal funding to the City for construction projects.

Moved by Council Member Fischer, seconded by Council Member Waller, adopting a resolution approving a delegated contract process agreement with MnDOT. Carried 7-0.

Alex Bumgartner requested the Council approve the sale of a 50-foot strip of land adjacent to the Windrift Restaurant. The business is being sold and it was discovered that the external cooling system encroaches onto the Austin Utilities' property by 9 feet. He stated the Austin Utilities' board approved the sale at their last meeting.

Moved by Council Member Baker, seconded by Council Member Baskin, adopting a resolution consenting to the sale of Austin Utilities property. Carried 7-0.

Director of Administrative Services Tom Dankert noted the donation is from Hormel Foods not the Austin Area Foundation.

Moved by Council Member Austin, seconded by Council Member Waller, adopting a resolution accepting donations to the City of Austin. Carried 7-0.

Moved by Council Member Fischer, seconded by Council Member Waller, adopting a resolution appointing George Thomas as the Honorary Council Member – January 2023 through March 2023. Carried.

## REPORTS

City Administrator Craig Clark stated the City will be reviewing the Local Option Sales Tax Funding.

Public Works Director Steven Lang stated the Ramsey Dam is owned by the Hormel Foods Corporation and has decided to make minor improvements to the dam and it will not be transferred to the City.

Representative Mueller stated she will be advocating for bonding dollars for the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Council Member Poshusta stated she was excited to hear about the 40-unit affordable housing project. She wished Council Member Waller the best and thanked her service on the Council.

Council Member Postma also was excited for the 40-unit housing project and thanked Council Member Waller.

Council Members Baskin and Council Member-at-Large Austin thanked Council Member Waller.

Council Member Waller stated she enjoyed working with the Council over the last 4 years.

Moved by Council Member-at-Large Austin, seconded by Council Member Postma, adjourning the meeting to January 3, 2023. Carried.

Adjourned: 6:06 p.m.

Approved: January 3, 2023

Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

City Recorder: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Memorandum

**To:** Mayor & Council  
**From:** Steven J. Lang, P.E.  
**Date:** December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
**Subject:** Pasture Heights Noise Study and Grant Application

SRF completed a noise evaluation study of the Pasture Heights neighborhood, 300 block of 14<sup>th</sup> Place NW, and 1400 block of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NW. As part of the study, SRF collected existing noise levels near 306 14<sup>th</sup> Place NW and 1407 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NW. This information was used together with noise modeling based on the new MnDOT design Single Point Intersection planned for 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW and I90 interchange.

The following criteria is used when evaluating a noise wall:

- Cost effectiveness threshold \$78,500 per benefitted receptor.
- Project cost based on \$36/sf of noise barrier wall.
- Standard wall height is 20-ft, but can be modified to reduce cost to meet the cost effectiveness threshold.
- Noise readings approaching 66.0 decibels or greater meet the Federal Highway Noise Abatement Criteria threshold, and/or a reduction of 5.0 decibels or more to a specific receptor.
- A change of 3.0 decibels is a noticeable change to the human ear.
- MnDOT requires dwelling units to be constructed prior to 1997 as MN Statute 161.125 was passed in 1997. One home in this neighborhood was built in 1997, R9 – 306 14<sup>th</sup> Pl. NW, all others under consideration were built prior to 1997.

Multiple options of barrier wall height and length were reviewed to maximize the number of benefitting receptors and minimize the project cost to meet the cost effectiveness threshold.

Height	Barrier Length	Benefitting Receptors	Total Cost	Cost Effectiveness	Meets Criteria
20-foot	1215-ft	9	\$853,200	\$94,800	No
18-foot	1190-ft	7	\$753,840	\$107,691	No
17-foot	910-ft	7	\$541,800	\$77,400	Yes
16-foot	830-ft	7	\$465,120	\$66,446	Yes
16-foot	1165-ft	7	\$658,080	\$94,011	No
15-foot	1145-ft	7	\$607,500	\$86,786	No
15-foot	1070-ft	7	\$567,000	\$81,000	No
14-foot	1145-ft	6	\$646,560	\$107,760	No

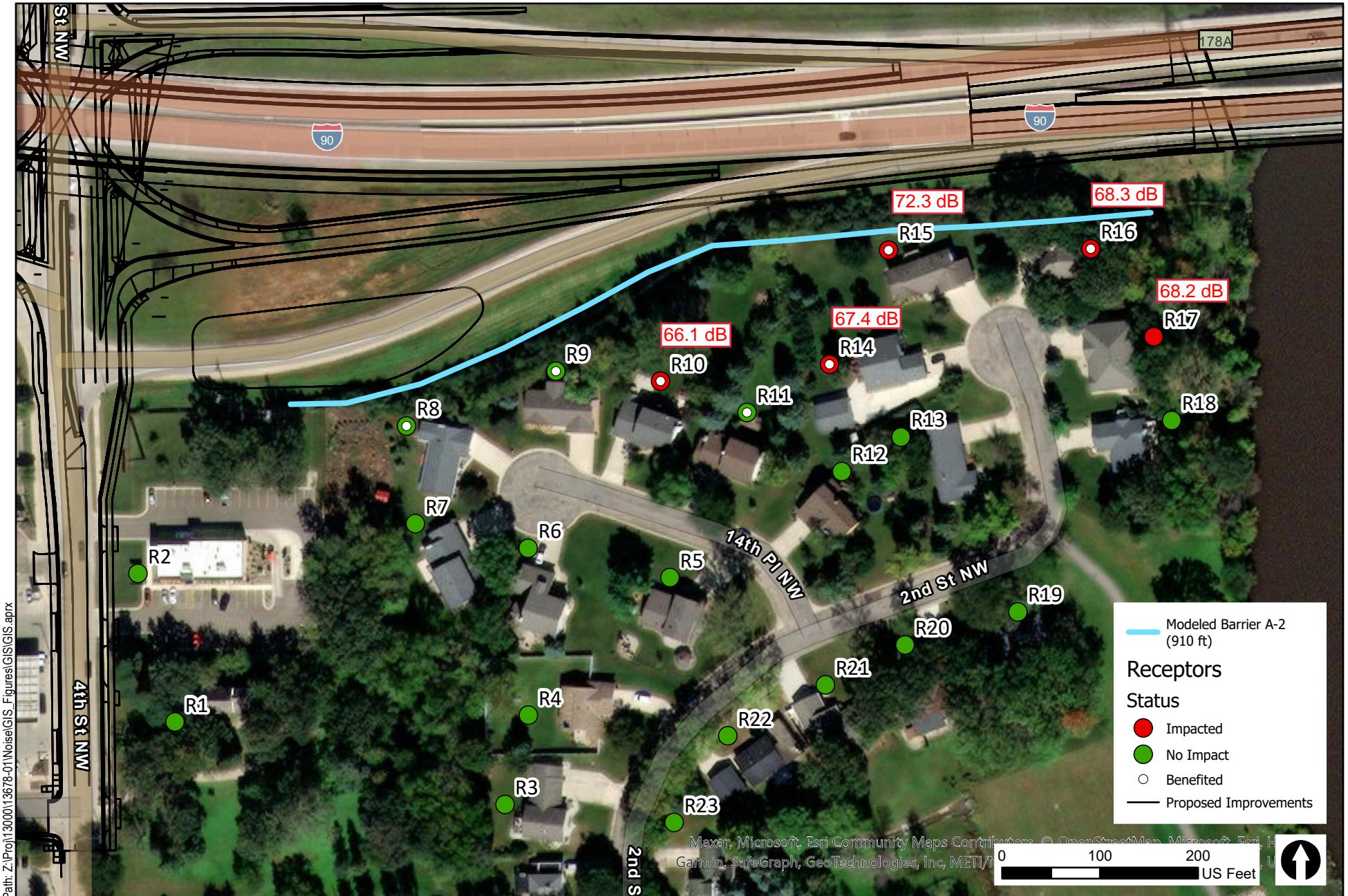
See attached Figure 2

The 17-foot tall, 910-ft long wall is the best option to meet the cost effectiveness threshold and provide a positive impact on noise reduction in the neighborhood. Although the State uses a \$36 per sf rate to standardize the application, in today's current construction environment and project out 2-3 years, \$60 per sf was used below for budgeting purposes. The requirement of a 10% local cost share would require a local cost commitment of \$100,000 to \$125,000. Options for funding the local share include:

- 1) Assess the project cost to the 7 benefitting parcels (\$14,000 to \$18,000 per parcel).
- 2) Use tax levy dollars to spread the cost out to the entire community.
- 3) Some combination of options 1 & 2.

Attached for your consideration is a resolution of Council support for the grant application and commitment to the local project costs. Please review and let me know if you have any questions.

<b><u>Project Budget</u></b>		<b><u>State Grant</u></b>	<b><u>Local (10%)</u></b>
Noise Study/Application	\$ 11,350		\$ 11,350 in progress
<u>Construction</u>	<u>\$ 900,000</u>	<u>\$810,000</u>	<u>\$ 90,000 estimate</u>
<u>Construction Admin</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 90,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,000 estimate</u>
Total	\$1,011,350	\$900,000	\$111,350 estimate



## Modeled Noise Wall and Noise Receptor Locations

I-90/4th Street Standalone Noise Barrier

City of Austin

R10/R14/R15/R16/R17 - Exceed 66.0 dB Federal Threshold  
 R8/R9/R11/R12/R13 - Near or Exceed 5.0 dB reduction  
 R9 - Constructed in 1997

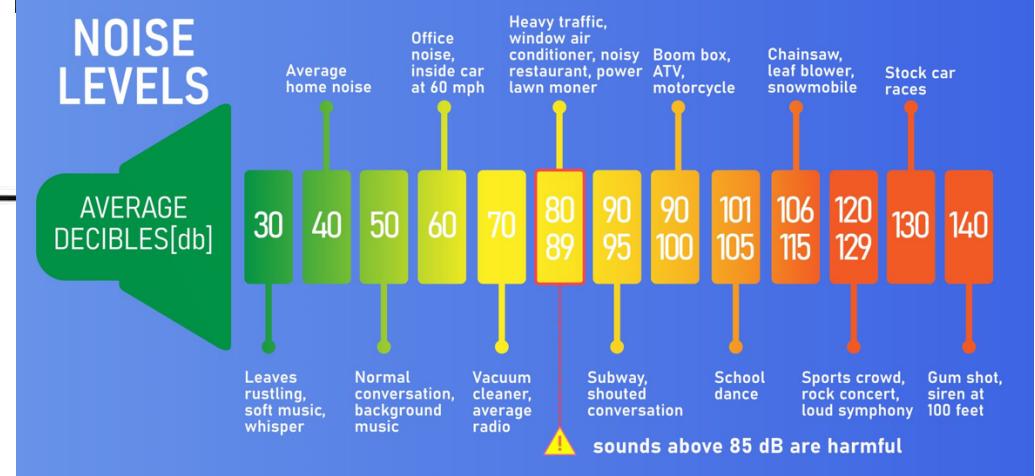
Figure 2

17 Foot Barrier (largest height and length, highest noise reduction, meets cost effectiveness criteria)

Noise Wall A-2: along southeast ramp at the I-90/4th Street interchange

Receptor ID	Build		Build		# of residence		# of		Design Goal	Total # of	Length	Area	Cost per	Meets	
	No Barrier	17' Barrier	Reduction	commercial	Benefited	industrial	Sites	> 7 dBA)							
				establishment (> 5 dBA)	> 7 dBA)	Sites									
R1	62.7	62.5	0.2	1	0	0	0	7	910	15,050	\$541,800	\$77,400		(Yes)	
R2	65.6	65.4	0.2	1	0	0	0								
R3	57.1	55.9	1.2	1	0	0	0								
R4	58.5	56.4	2.1	1	0	0	0								
R5	60.1	57.6	2.5	1	0	0	0								
R6	60.3	57.0	3.3	1	0	0	0								
R7	60.8	57.2	3.6	1	0	0	0								
R8	<b>62.8</b>	<b>56.8</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>									
R9	<b>65.6</b>	<b>57.7</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>								
R10	<b>66.1</b>	<b>58.8</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>								
R11	65.3	59.6	5.7	1	1	1	0								
R12	64.0	59.7	4.3	1	0	0	0								
R13	64.8	60.5	4.3	1	0	0	0								
R14	<b>67.4</b>	<b>60.4</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>								
R15	<b>72.3</b>	<b>57.7</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>								
R16	<b>68.3</b>	<b>62.6</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>								
R17	<b>67.9</b>	<b>66.4</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>								
R18	63.4	62.1	1.3	1	0	0	0								
R19	60.7	58.6	2.1	1	0	0	0								
R20	60.0	57.5	2.5	1	0	0	0								
R21	59.0	56.4	2.6	1	0	0	0								
R22	58.0	55.6	2.4	1	0	0	0								
R23	56.7	54.8	1.9	1	0	0	0								

Bolded numbers are approaching or exceeding the Federal NAC.



## Application for Stand-Alone Noise Barrier Mitigation

1. Name of governmental authority submitting the application and agreeing to local cost share:

City of Austin, MN

2. Interstate/Freeway adjacent to area for which the application is being made:

I-90

3. Limits of area of application: a map is required; aerial photo is preferred:

Side of Freeway(s):  
(N, S, E, W, Both)

South

Starting Point:  
(Cross roads, etc.)

165 feet east of 4th St NW

Ending Point:

100 feet west of the Cedar River

Estimated length of proposed noise barrier (in feet)

910

4. Are the residential units located in an incorporated area?

Yes/No

**(Note: Only incorporate areas are eligible.)**

5. Were the majority of the residential units constructed prior to 1997?

Yes/No

**(Note: Only residential areas constructed prior to 1997 are eligible.)**

6. What fiscal year(s) are you applying for funding?

2027

Other (list year)

7. Number of residential units (homes and/or apartment buildings) adjacent to the  
highway/freeway:

7 (first row/benefited)

8. Estimated existing noise level (utilize MnDOT's Flat Earth Noise Level Estimating  
Spreadsheet) available at: [www.dot.state.mn.us/environment/noise/](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/environment/noise/)

69.8 dBA

9. I certify that all the application information provided is correct.

Steven Lang, City Engineer

12/29/2022

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Print name and title of local official

Date



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Steven Lang  
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Signature and title of local official

Date

## RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORYES FOR  
CHECKING AND INVESTMENTS OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR 2023

WHEREAS, the depositories for public funds are designated annually for the City of Austin, Minnesota.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN,**  
**1. Checking accounts for the City of Austin shall be as follows:**

The legal depository for the City of Austin General Account shall be Wells Fargo of Austin, Minnesota for 2023. The City Recorder/Treasurer is hereby authorized to deposit all receipts of the City of Austin in Wells Fargo of Austin, Minnesota. All payroll transfers shall be deposited to Wells Fargo of Austin, Austin, Minnesota. The Direct Deposit of Retiree Benefits or Employee Payroll shall be processed through First Farmer's & Merchants Bank. All receipts of the Library, Police Department and Park and Recreation operations shall be deposited in the General Account.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,**

**2. Investment of city funds shall be made with:**

Wells Fargo, US Bank, Home Federal Savings Bank, Bremer Bank, First Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Sterling State Bank and Farmers & Merchants State Bank, all of Austin, Minnesota, are hereby declared to be legal depositories for the City of Austin's savings, money market savings, savings certificates and certificates of deposit. The market value of collateral filed by these institutions shall at all times exceed by 10% the City of Austin's deposits in these institutions. Wells Fargo Investment Services, Inc., US Bank Investment Services, RBC Dain Rauscher, UBS PaineWebber, Inc., Northland Securities, Wells Fargo Investment Advisors, Accentra Credit Union and the League of Minnesota Cities-sponsored 4M Fund are hereby declared to be firms with whom the City of Austin may do business for the purpose of purchasing and selling investments and for safekeeping such investments.

**3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that all depositories, firms, agents and external managers acting as such for the City of Austin shall at all times comply with all provisions of Minnesota State Statutes applicable to the deposits and investments of public funds, and to the City of Austin's adopted investment policy and sound financial management practices.

Passed by a vote of yeas and nays this 3rd day of January, 2023.

YEAS

NAYS

ATTEST:

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City Recorder

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Mayor

APPROVED:

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TO: Mayor King and City Council Members  
*TO*

FROM: Tom Dankert

DATE: January 3, 2023

RE: **Budget Adjustment #1 – 2023 Budget Adjustment**  
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I would request the approval of some changes within our budget for 2023 as part of Budget Adjustment #1, as follows:

1. The Hormel Foundation grants that have been approved for 2023.

**General Fund (11000):**

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks grant, \$23,000.

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
41110.5135 Contributions		\$ 23,000
41110.5175 Use of Fund Balance	\$ 23,000	
Total General Fund	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000

**Capital Improvements Revolving Fund (49000):**

- Pedestrian Trail, ESL to Highway 218, \$120,000.

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
48235.6530 Improve. Other Than Bldg.	\$ 120,000	
49000.5135 Private Contributions		\$ 120,000
Total Capital Improve. Revolving Fund	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000

By passing a Resolution, council will have then officially amended the budget for the 2023 year to account for The Hormel Foundation grants. There are other grants that were approved by The Hormel Foundation for 2023, but those grants will be received and expended out of funds that don't have legally adopted budgets (or through the HRA), hence no budget to amend.

Please do not hesitate to give me a call if you have any questions.

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**MEMO**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Tom Dankert *too*

DATE: November 16, 2022

SUBJECT: Hormel Foundation Grants approved for 2023

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The listing below are the grants that have been approved by The Hormel Foundation for 2023:

- 1. CHIP II Loan Expansion/Curb Appeal program - \$125,000 (partial funding) *- HRA*
- 2. Pedestrian Trail, ESL to Highway 218 - \$120,000 *= BUDGET Adj. Needed.*
- 3. Business Encouragement/Enhancement Program (BEEP) - \$70,000 (partial funding) *- HRA*
- 4. Delivering the Data: Hotspot Data Plans 2023 - \$61,000 *- Gifts/Memorials: No budget*
- 5. Jay C. Hormel Nature Center Education Programs - \$45,000 *- in budget already*
- 6. Fire Prevention and Education - \$5,000 *- in budget already*

Additionally, The Hormel Foundation approved an additional \$50,000 grant for the Austin Public Library to hire a Technology Coordinator for 2023 to help administer the hotspot program. This will open up an additional opportunity to get another 100+ hotspots funded from Austin Aspires!

Additionally, we were approved the following grants that benefit other City partners:

- Quality of Life - \$96,253 (this includes \$0 for Leadership Austin; \$23,000 for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festival; \$73,253 to the Austin Artworks Center for rent and property tax reimbursement). *→ No, pass Thru*

*BUDGET Adj. needed.*

The only grant request that was not partially or fully funded, was the \$750,000 requested for the Farmer's Market Infrastructure Project.

We would request Council approve the above grants via resolution up front as opposed to when the funds are actually received in 2023. Additionally, in 2023 we will pass a budget amendment to include the revenues/expenses into our budgets.

We would also like to thank The Hormel Foundation for their generous grants to the City of Austin. In total we have been approved for \$572,253 (including partner grants) for 2023!

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## Memorandum

**To:** Mayor & Council  
**From:** Mitch Wenum, PE  
**Date:** December 29, 2022  
**Subject:** 2023 Construction Projects, Request for Feasibility Reports

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In preparation for 2023 construction projects, we have prepared the following feasibility reports:

	<u>Project #</u>
1) 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW & 20 <sup>th</sup> Street NW	18105
a. 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW – 20 <sup>th</sup> St NW to 22 <sup>nd</sup> St NW	
b. 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW – 22 <sup>nd</sup> St NW to Dead End	
c. 20 <sup>th</sup> Street NW – 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW to Dead End	
2) 1 <sup>st</sup> Street NW	23101
a. 1 <sup>st</sup> Street NW – Oakland Ave W to 1 <sup>st</sup> Dr NW	
3) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW, 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW & 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW	23102
a. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW – 10 <sup>th</sup> Ave SW to 12 <sup>th</sup> Ave SW	
b. 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dr SW to 4 <sup>th</sup> St SW	
c. 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW – 4 <sup>th</sup> St SW to Dead End	
4) 7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE & 19 <sup>th</sup> Drive NE	23103
a. 7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE – 19 <sup>th</sup> Dr NE to 21 <sup>st</sup> St NE/Hwy 218	
b. 19 <sup>th</sup> Drive NE – 6 <sup>th</sup> Ave NE to 7 <sup>th</sup> Ave NE	
5) 8 <sup>th</sup> Street NE & Institute Lift Station Construction	23104
a. 8 <sup>th</sup> Street NE – 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave NE to 18 <sup>th</sup> Ave NE	
6) Hormel Drive Mill & Overlay	23105
a. Hormel Drive – 4 <sup>th</sup> St NE to 8 <sup>th</sup> St NE	
7) 21 <sup>st</sup> Street SW & 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW Mill & Overlay	23106
a. 21 <sup>st</sup> Street SW – 22 <sup>nd</sup> St to 3rd Ave SW	
b. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW – Oakland Ave W to 3rd Ave SW	

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

DATE: December 29, 2022  
PROJECT NO: 18105

## REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
City of Austin, Minnesota

A resolution requesting a feasibility study for the reconstruction of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue (20<sup>th</sup> St NW to 22<sup>nd</sup> St NW), 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW (22<sup>nd</sup> St NW to Dead End) and 20<sup>th</sup> Street NW (4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW to Dead End) was referred to this office on November 21, 2022 for the Engineer's Preliminary Report.

We report that the improvements are feasible.

These streets are made of asphalt pavement and are currently 36 feet wide. Parking is allowed on both sides of each street. These streets were likely constructed in the 1950's with a rehab and extension in the 1988. The proposed project will consist of the following:

**5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW (20<sup>th</sup> St NW to 22<sup>nd</sup> St NW)**

**6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW (22<sup>nd</sup> St NW to Dead End)**

**20<sup>th</sup> Street NW (4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW to Dead End)**

- 1) Removal of the existing asphalt pavement, deteriorated curb and gutter, and deficient sidewalk.
- 2) Replace deteriorated curb and gutter, 4.5" of asphalt pavement and 6" aggregate base.
- 3) Replacement of deteriorated storm sewer structures.
- 4) Sanitary sewer replacement on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave and 20<sup>th</sup> St NW.
- 5) Installation of drain tile and sump pump service stub outs.
- 6) Extension of sidewalks on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave and 20<sup>th</sup> St NW and a connection to 19<sup>th</sup> St NW.
- 7) Provide ADA pedestrian ramps at intersections and upgrade existing deficient sidewalk.
- 8) Austin Utilities will perform water and electrical work on the project.

The estimated construction costs are as follows:

5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW and 20 <sup>th</sup> Street NW	\$ 900,000
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The total estimated costs would be funded as follows:

Assessment Bonds	\$ 650,000
WWTP Fund 61	\$ 240,000
SWUD Fund 67	\$ 10,000

Abutting property owners would be assessed based on the City's assessment policy.

  
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Assistant City Engineer

The Council has considered the above project and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled for February 21, 2023, to consider the proposed project.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION CALLING  
HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, a report has been prepared by the City Engineer, with reference to the following improvement:

5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW (20<sup>th</sup> Street to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street NW), 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW (22<sup>nd</sup> Street to Dead End) and 20<sup>th</sup> Street NW (4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Dead End), Project 18105.

and said report was received by the City Council on January 3, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Austin, Minnesota:

A. The Council will consider the improvement on the following street improvement project in accordance with the reports and assessments of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.011 and 429.111 as amended, at an estimated total cost of the improvements as follows:

\$900,000

B. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 21st day of February, 2023 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m., and the City Clerk shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing on improvement as required by law.

Passed by the Austin City Council on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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City Recorder

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Mayor

DATE: December 29, 2022  
PROJECT NO: 23101

## REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
City of Austin, Minnesota

A resolution requesting a feasibility study for the reconstruction of 1<sup>st</sup> Street NW (Oakland Ave W to 1<sup>st</sup> Drive NW) was referred to this office on November 21, 2022 for the Engineer's Preliminary Report.

We report that the improvements are feasible.

1<sup>st</sup> Street NW is a concrete street located in the downtown area. The street is currently 44' wide with sidewalks on both sides. Parking is allowed on both sides of the street. There is a traffic signal light located at the 1<sup>st</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW intersection. Street lights are located along the entire length of the street. The street was constructed in 1976. The proposed project will consist of the following:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Street NW (Oakland Ave W to 1<sup>st</sup> Drive NW)

- 1) Removal of the existing concrete pavement and sidewalks.
- 2) Removal of abandoned underground utilities.
- 3) Removal of signal lights at the 4<sup>th</sup> Ave intersection and replacement with a 4-way stop with curb bump outs.
- 4) Replace concrete pavement and aggregate base.
- 5) Replacement of all concrete sidewalks.
- 6) Replacement of sanitary sewer manholes.
- 7) Replacement of storm sewer mains, laterals and structures.
- 8) Replacement of street lighting.
- 9) Installation of drain tile.
- 10) Provide ADA pedestrian ramps at intersections.
- 11) Austin Utilities will perform water and electrical work on the project.

The estimated construction costs are as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> Street NW	\$1,825,000
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The total estimated costs would be funded as follows:

Municipal State Aid	\$1,795,000
WWTP Fund 61	\$30,000

Abutting property owners would be assessed based on the City's assessment policy.

  
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Assistant City Engineer

The Council has considered the above project and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled for February 21, 2023, to consider the proposed project.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION CALLING  
HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, a report has been prepared by the City Engineer, with reference to the following improvement:

1<sup>st</sup> Street NW (Oakland Avenue West to 1<sup>st</sup> Drive NW), Project 23101.

and said report was received by the City Council on January 3, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Austin, Minnesota:

A. The Council will consider the improvement on the following street improvement project in accordance with the reports and assessments of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.011 and 429.111 as amended, at an estimated total cost of the improvements as follows:

\$1,825,000

B. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 21st day of February, 2023 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m., and the City Clerk shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing on improvement as required by law.

Passed by the Austin City Council on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

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APPROVED:

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City Recorder

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Mayor

DATE: December 29, 2022  
PROJECT NO: 23102

## REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
City of Austin, Minnesota

A resolution requesting a feasibility study for the reconstruction of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (10<sup>th</sup> Ave to 12<sup>th</sup> Ave SW), 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (2<sup>nd</sup> Dr to 4<sup>th</sup> St SW) and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (4<sup>th</sup> St SW to Dead End) was referred to this office on November 21, 2022 for the Engineer's Preliminary Report.

We report that the improvements are feasible.

2<sup>nd</sup> St SW, 10<sup>th</sup> Ave SW and 11<sup>th</sup> Ave SW are all made of asphalt pavement. 2<sup>nd</sup> St and 11<sup>th</sup> Ave SW and are 36 feet wide while 10<sup>th</sup> Ave SW is 20 feet wide. Parking is allowed on both sides of each street. These streets were likely originally constructed in the 1950's. The proposed project will consist of the following:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (10<sup>th</sup> Ave to 12<sup>th</sup> Ave SW)**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (2<sup>nd</sup> Dr to 4<sup>th</sup> St SW)**  
**11<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (4<sup>th</sup> St SW to Dead End)**

- 1) Removal of the existing asphalt pavement, curb and gutter, and deficient sidewalk.
- 2) Replace with new curb and gutter, 4.5" of asphalt pavement and 6" aggregate base.
- 3) Storm sewer will be upgraded with the replacement of existing catch basins and manholes.
- 4) Sanitary sewer manholes will be replaced throughout the project. The existing sanitary mains will be spot repaired, as needed.
- 5) Installation of drain tile and sump pump service stub outs.
- 6) Provide ADA pedestrian ramps at intersections and upgrade existing deficient sidewalk.
- 7) Austin Utilities will perform water and electrical work on the project.

The estimated construction costs are as follows:

2 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW, 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW and 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW	\$1,115,000
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The total estimated costs would be funded as follows:

Assessment Bonds	\$ 950,000
WWTP Fund 61	\$ 65,000
SWUD Fund 67	\$ 100,000

Abutting property owners would be assessed based on the City's assessment policy.

  
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Assistant City Engineer

The Council has considered the above project and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled for February 21, 2023, to consider the proposed project.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION CALLING  
HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, a report has been prepared by the City Engineer, with reference to the following improvement:

2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (10<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW), 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (2<sup>nd</sup> Drive to 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW) and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (2<sup>nd</sup> Drive to 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW), Project 23102.

and said report was received by the City Council on January 3, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Austin, Minnesota:

A. The Council will consider the improvement on the following street improvement project in accordance with the reports and assessments of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.011 and 429.111 as amended, at an estimated total cost of the improvements as follows:

\$1,115,000

B. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 21st day of February, 2023 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m., and the City Clerk shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing on improvement as required by law.

Passed by the Austin City Council on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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City Recorder

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Mayor

DATE: December 29, 2022  
PROJECT NO: 23103

## REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
City of Austin, Minnesota

A resolution requesting a feasibility study for the reconstruction of 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE (19<sup>th</sup> Dr NE to 21<sup>st</sup> St NE) and 19<sup>th</sup> Drive NE (6<sup>th</sup> Ave NE to 7<sup>th</sup> Ave NE) was referred to this office on November 21, 2022 for the Engineer's Preliminary Report.

We report that the improvements are feasible.

7<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and 19<sup>th</sup> Dr NE are both made of asphalt pavement, and are 36 feet wide. Parking is allowed on both sides of each street. 19<sup>th</sup> Dr NE currently only has curb and gutter on one side of the street, while 7<sup>th</sup> Ave NE has curb and gutter on both sides. These streets were likely originally constructed in the 1950's. The proposed project will consist of the following:

**7<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE (19<sup>th</sup> Dr NE to 21<sup>st</sup> St NE)  
19<sup>th</sup> Drive NE (6<sup>th</sup> Ave NE to 7<sup>th</sup> Ave NE)**

- 1) Removal of the existing asphalt pavement, curb and gutter, and deficient sidewalk.
- 2) Replace with new curb and gutter, asphalt pavement and aggregate base.
- 3) Storm sewer will be upgraded with the replacement of mains and structures.
- 4) Sanitary sewer manholes will be replaced throughout the project. The existing sanitary mains will be spot repaired, as needed.
- 5) Installation of drain tile and sump pump service stub outs.
- 6) Provide ADA pedestrian ramps at intersections and upgrade existing deficient sidewalk.
- 7) Austin Utilities will perform water and electrical work on the project.

The estimated construction costs are as follows:

7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and 19 <sup>th</sup> Drive NE	\$1,175,000
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The total estimated costs would be funded as follows:

Municipal State Aid	\$ 600,000
Assessment Bonds	\$ 300,000
WWTP Fund 61	\$ 105,000
SWUD Fund 67	\$ 170,000

Abutting property owners would be assessed based on the City's assessment policy.



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Assistant City Engineer

The Council has considered the above project and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled for February 21, 2023, to consider the proposed project.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION CALLING  
HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, a report has been prepared by the City Engineer, with reference to the following improvement:

7<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE (19<sup>th</sup> Drive to 21<sup>st</sup> Street NE) and 19<sup>th</sup> Drive NE (6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE), Project 23103.

and said report was received by the City Council on January 3, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Austin, Minnesota:

A. The Council will consider the improvement on the following street improvement project in accordance with the reports and assessments of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.011 and 429.111 as amended, at an estimated total cost of the improvements as follows:

\$1,175,000

B. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 21st day of February, 2023 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m., and the City Clerk shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing on improvement as required by law.

Passed by the Austin City Council on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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City Recorder

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Mayor

DATE: December 29, 2022  
PROJECT NO: 23104

## REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
City of Austin, Minnesota

A resolution requesting a feasibility study for the reconstruction of 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE (15<sup>th</sup> Ave to 18<sup>th</sup> Ave NE) and the construction of the Institute Lift Station was referred to this office on November 21, 2022 for the Engineer's Preliminary Report.

We report that the improvements are feasible.

8<sup>th</sup> Street NE is a roadway made concrete pavement that was constructed in 1978. The street is currently 44' wide and parking is allowed on both sides. There is a shared use trail on the west side of the road and sidewalk on the east side. The proposed project will consist of the following:

### 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE (15<sup>th</sup> Ave to 18<sup>th</sup> Ave NE) Institute Lift Station Construction

- 1) Removal of the existing concrete pavement.
- 2) Realignment of the curve at the 8<sup>th</sup> St and 15<sup>th</sup> Ave NE intersection.
- 3) Replace concrete pavement and aggregate base.
- 4) Replacement of storm sewer laterals and catch basins
- 5) Removal of "Weyerhaeuser" lift station.
- 6) Replacement of gravity sanitary sewer main
- 7) Construction of new "Institute" lift station.
- 8) Construction of sanitary sewer forcemain to 8<sup>th</sup> St & 10<sup>th</sup> Ave NE.
- 9) Installation of drain tile and sump pump service stub outs.
- 10) Provide ADA pedestrian ramps at intersections.
- 11) Austin Utilities will perform water and electrical work on the project.

The estimated construction costs are as follows:

8 <sup>th</sup> Street NE and Institute Lift Station	\$2,400,000
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The total estimated costs would be funded as follows:

Municipal State Aid	\$1,050,000
Assessment Bonds	\$ 150,000
WWTP Fund 61	\$1,200,000

Abutting property owners would be assessed based on the City's assessment policy.

  
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Assistant City Engineer

The Council has considered the above project and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled for February 21, 2023, to consider the proposed project.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION CALLING  
HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, a report has been prepared by the City Engineer, with reference to the following improvement:

8<sup>th</sup> Street NE (16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE), Project 23104.

and said report was received by the City Council on January 3, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Austin, Minnesota:

A. The Council will consider the improvement on the following street improvement project in accordance with the reports and assessments of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.011 and 429.111 as amended, at an estimated total cost of the improvements as follows:

\$2,400,000

B. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 21st day of February, 2023 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m., and the City Clerk shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing on improvement as required by law.

Passed by the Austin City Council on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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City Recorder

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Mayor

DATE: December 22, 2021  
PROJECT NO: 23105

## REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
City of Austin, Minnesota

A resolution requesting a feasibility study for the reconstruction of Hormel Drive (4<sup>th</sup> St to 8<sup>th</sup> St NE) was referred to this office on November 21, 2022 for the Engineer's Preliminary Report.

We report that the improvements are feasible.

Hormel Drive is an asphalt street that was originally constructed in 1984 with a mill & overlay in 2001. The top surface of the road is deteriorating and in need of repair. The proposed project will consist of the following:

### Hormel Drive (4<sup>th</sup> St to 8<sup>th</sup> St NE)

- 1) Full depth asphalt patches where necessary.
- 2) Milling off top 3" of asphalt pavement.
- 3) Paving 4" of new asphalt wearing course.
- 4) Austin Utilities does not have any work planned on the project.

The estimated construction costs are as follows:

Hormel Drive	\$275,000
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The total estimated costs would be funded as follows:

Municipal State Aid	\$275,000
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Abutting property owners would be assessed based on the City's assessment policy.

  
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Assistant City Engineer

The Council has considered the above project and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled for February 21, 2023, to consider the proposed project.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION CALLING  
HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, a report has been prepared by the City Engineer, with reference to the following improvement:

Hormel Drive (4<sup>th</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE), Project 23105.

and said report was received by the City Council on January 3, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Austin, Minnesota:

A. The Council will consider the improvement on the following street improvement project in accordance with the reports and assessments of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.011 and 429.111 as amended, at an estimated total cost of the improvements as follows:

\$275,000

B. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 21st day of February, 2023 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m., and the City Clerk shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing on improvement as required by law.

Passed by the Austin City Council on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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City Recorder

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Mayor

DATE: December 29, 2022  
PROJECT NO: 23106

## REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council  
City of Austin, Minnesota

A resolution requesting a feasibility study for construction on 21<sup>st</sup> Street SW (22<sup>nd</sup> St to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW) and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (Oakland Ave W to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW) were referred to this office on November 21, 2022 for the Engineer's Preliminary Report.

We report that the improvements are feasible.

21<sup>st</sup> St and 22<sup>nd</sup> St SW are asphalt roads that were originally constructed in 1997. The top surface of the road is deteriorating and in need of repair. The proposed project will consist of the following:

**21<sup>st</sup> Street SW (22<sup>nd</sup> St to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW)  
22<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (Oakland Ave W to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW)**

- 1) Milling off top surface of asphalt.
- 2) Paving new asphalt wearing course.
- 3) Austin Utilities does not have any work planned on the project.

The estimated construction costs are as follows:

21 <sup>st</sup> Street SW and 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW	\$ 160,000
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The total estimated costs would be funded as follows:

Assessment Bonds	\$ 160,000
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Abutting property owners would be assessed based on the City's assessment policy.

  
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The Council has considered the above project and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled for February 21, 2023, to consider the proposed project.

## RESOLUTION NO.

## RESOLUTION CALLING HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT

**WHEREAS**, a report has been prepared by the City Engineer, with reference to the following improvement:

21<sup>st</sup> Street SW (22<sup>nd</sup> Street to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW) and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street SW (Oakland Avenue West to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW), Project 23106.

and said report was received by the City Council on January 3, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Austin, Minnesota:

A. The Council will consider the improvement on the following street improvement project in accordance with the reports and assessments of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.011 and 429.111 as amended, at an estimated total cost of the improvements as follows:

\$160,000

B. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 21st day of February, 2023 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m., and the City Clerk shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing on improvement as required by law.

Passed by the Austin City Council on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

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## City Recorder

RESOLUTION NO.

## ACCEPTING DONATIONS TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN

WHEREAS, the City has received gift as follows:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Austin City Council accepts said gifts to the City of Austin.

Passed by a vote of yeas and nays this 3rd day of January, 2023.

ATTEST:

**APPROVED:**

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## City Recorder