



MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 8, 2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
Dave Perrault, City Administrator

FROM: David Swearingen, P.E. Public Works Director / City Engineer

SUBJECT: Ramsey County Lexington Avenue Reconstruct – City Watermain Replacement

Budgeted Amount:	Actual Amount:	Funding Source:
\$1,010,000	\$1,030,000	PIR, State Bond, LRIP Grant, Assessments, Water Fund

Council Should Consider

Motions to approve, table, or deny the following:

- Supplemental Agreement with Ramsey County to the Cooperative Agreement, PUBW-2020-10R, in the amount of \$20,000 for the Ramsey County Lexington Avenue Reconstruct Project related to vac-truck excavation charges and the City’s watermain replacement.

Background/Discussion

On November 23, 2020, the City Council entered into a Cooperative and Maintenance Agreement for the Lexington Avenue Improvements with Ramsey County (PUBW-2020-10R). The project consists of reconstructing Lexington Avenue between County Road E and Interstate Highway 694, including improvements to streets, sidewalks, traffic signals, water main, storm sewer and other infrastructure located within the project corridor. On October 25, 2021, City Council adopted Resolution 2021-060 to approve the plans and specifications for the project.

During the 2022 construction season, the contractor installing the watermain was forced to use extra means of excavating the trench for the watermain installation by using a vac-truck. Time and material were reported as:

- 10/06/22 – watermain hole north/south of Grey Fox - \$2,707.50
- 10/07/22 – watermain hole north of Grey Fox - \$2,565.00
- 10/17/22 – tunnel under storm sewer for watermain in Grey Fox - \$3,135.00
- 10/18/22 – expose Xcel buried power in Grey Fox - \$3,633.75

2022 Total = \$12,041.25

Construction of the City’s watermain along Lexington Avenue resumed Spring 2023. City Staff along with County Staff have identified two additional areas that could potentially require using a vac-truck for excavation for the installation of watermain. Staff has estimated this potential work to cost roughly \$8,000. Approval of the Supplemental Agreement would allow City Staff to approve the work to be performed by the contractor if needed. The Contractor cannot perform the work prior to City Staff approval.

Staff is recommending the approval of the Supplemental Agreement in the amount of \$20,000 to cover the 2022 vac-truck charges of \$12,041.25 and allow for potential future approval of vac-truck excavation use up to \$7,958.75.

Budget Impact

The proposed funding sources are summarized in the following table.

PIR Fund (roadway and signal replacement)	\$ 206,127
Special Assessments (new Target Rd signal)	\$ 196,000
State Bonding Funds (water main replacement)	\$ 500,000
City Water Utility Fund	\$ 66,069
LRIP Grant Funds	\$ 41,804
Supplemental Agreement (vac-truck)	\$ 20,000
Total Estimated Funding	\$ 1,030,000

Attachments

Attachment A: Supplemental Agreement with Ramsey County