City Council Item

April 13, 2026

Item	Resolution 2026-XX: Grant agreement with MCES for municipal Infiltration/Inflow	
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Agenda Section	**CONSENT AGENDA**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION

"The Chanhassen City Council adopts a resolution authorizing the City to finalize a Grant Agreement with Metropolitan Council Environmental Services for the 2023 MCES Municipal Infiltration/Inflow Grant Program."

Motion Type	Simple Majority Vote of members present
Strategic Priority	Financial Sustainability

SUMMARY

The Metropolitan Council was awarded funding through the State of Minnesota to provide grants to communities for capital improvements to public wastewater infrastructure to reduce inflow and infiltration (I/I) into the Council's metropolitan sanitary sewer disposal system.

This agreement is for reimbursement of costs for the City's efforts to mitigate I/I over the past couple of years.

The agreement is due by May 1, 2026.

BACKGROUND

Infiltration and inflow (I/I) refers to "clean" water entering the sanitary sewer system. Since all of the

flow that enters the sanitary sewer system ultimately gets conveyed to the MCES wastewater treatment plants, the quantity of the flow has a direct relationship with conveyance and treatment costs. The city pays for all of the flow into the sanitary sewer system we discharge into the MCES system, and therefore, paying for actual sanitary waste, rather than "clean" water, is a major priority. The yearly fee we pay to the MCES is the single largest line item in the sanitary sewer fund and greatly affects the rates we pass onto our residents.

DISCUSSION

This program was initiated in 2023, and we are at the point in time where we are allowed to submit our agreement and costs for reimbursement.

BUDGET

The reimbursement amount the city will receive for our I/I efforts over the last two years of capital projects is approximately $307,000.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council adopts a resolution authorizing the execution of the Grant Agreement with MCES.

ATTACHMENTS

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