



## **REQUEST FOR ACTION**

**Contract with WHKS for Preliminary Design of the  
Goose Egg Park Sanitary Sewer Improvement DT-07-  
1028- Project No. J7867**

**MEETING DATE:**

**July 6, 2026**

**ORIGINATING DEPT:**

**Public Works**

**AGENDA SECTION:**

**Consent Agenda**

**PRESENTER:**

**Tyler Niemeyer**

**Action Requested:**

Authorizing a contract with WHKS, in the amount of \$321,200 from July 9, 2026, to December 31, 2027, for Preliminary Design of the Goose Egg Park Sanitary Sewer Improvement DT-07-1028- Project No. J7867.

**Report Narrative:**

The Mayo Clinic Bold. Forward. Unbound. initiative will increase sanitary sewer flows to the existing sanitary sewer main located at the intersection of 3rd St and 2nd Ave NW. The sanitary sewer downstream of this location does not have sufficient capacity to accommodate the increased flows.

To address this need, City staff have determined that the existing sanitary sewer from the intersection of 3rd St and 2nd Ave NW to the intersection of 12th St and 2nd Ave NW must be upsized. Based on the results of previous sanitary sewer modeling completed by WHKS, the existing 15-inch and 24-inch sanitary sewers need to be upsized to 21-inch and 30-inch, respectively.

The project will be completed in two phases. Phase 1 extends from the intersection of 3rd St and 2nd Ave NW to the intersection of 5th St and 4th Ave NW. This phase is being designed and bid as a separate project, and a separate proposal is being submitted.

This proposal is for Phase 2, known as the Goose Egg Park Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project, which extends from the intersection of 5th St and 4th Ave NW to the intersection of 12th St and 2nd Ave NW. The proposed alignment generally follows the existing sewer alignment. Consideration of two alternate alignments have been requested.

Public Works has been working with the Mayo Bold. Forward. Unbound. team to provide sewer capacity to the new downtown Mayo Buildings and it was determined the Goose Egg Park alignment was determined to be the preferred option.

The City's Sanitary Sewer Master Plan previously identified this section of sanitary sewer for rehabilitation to extend the life of the existing infrastructure. The additional wastewater generated by the Mayo expansion requires upsizing the sanitary sewer rather than rehabilitation.

The overall project will include sanitary sewer, storm sewer, drinking water, and street improvements along the project corridor.

WHKS developed the City's Sanitary Sewer Master Plan and completed the sanitary sewer modeling that established the required capacity improvements. Their familiarity with the City's system and design standards positions them well to complete the preliminary design for the Goose Egg Park Sanitary Sewer Improvement DT-07-1028- Project No. J7867. WHKS has submitted a proposal for this work, which is included in the Council packet.

**Priorities & Foundational Principles:**

Economic Vibrancy & Growth Management  
Quality Services for Quality Living

**Policy Considerations & DEI Impact:**

This project is aligned with the Council's priority of Economic Vibrancy & Growth Management by expanding trunk sewers to allow future development to occur.

**Prior Legislative Actions & Community Engagement:**

June 1, 2020: Council Meeting - The Sanitary Sewer Master plan was approved.

**Fiscal & Resource Impact:**

The only financial impact of this Council action is funding for the preliminary design, which will be paid from the Sewer Utility Fund.

Funding for the final design and construction will be determined after the preliminary design is complete. At that time, staff will bring back another request for council action that includes cost allocation for each project component. Final construction cost breakdowns will be determined when construction bids are received. The final design and construction are scheduled to be funded through a combination of financial contributions from Mayo Clinic per the Council approved development agreement, the Sewer Utility Fund, Stormwater Utility Fund, RPU Water Fund, street reconstruction fund, and special assessments as determined by the Council approved assessment policy.

Per the Development Agreement (DA) with Mayo completed in June of 2025, the primary sanitary sewer improvement costs will be paid by Mayo for the capacity increase necessary for Mayo's downtown improvements. The City will contribute \$1,000,000 to the Goose Egg Park improvement project for the maintenance work planned in the Sanitary Sewer Master Plan.

**Alternative Action(s):**

No alternative actions are suggested at this time.

**Prepared By:**

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**Attachments:**

[Preliminary Design Proposal - J7867 Goose Egg Park Sanitary Sewer Improvement DT-07-1028](#)

[Project Location Map - Goose Egg Park Sanitary Sewer Improvement DT-07-1028 - Project No. J7867](#)