

Memorandum

TO: City Council
FROM: Stephanie Smith , City engineer
DATE: August 3, 2026
SUBJECT: Approve plans and specifications, order the improvement, and order the taking of bids for the 2026 Stormwater Improvement Project, city project 26-10B.
ITEM NUMBER: 8.i
SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA

REQUESTED MOTION

To approve resolution 26-51 approving the plans and specifications, ordering the improvement and ordering the taking of bids for the 2026 Stormwater Improvement Project, city project 26-10B.

INTRODUCTION

The city's 2026 capital improvement plan includes funding for stormwater improvement projects. City staff has completed plans and specifications for the the construction of permeable pavers at Randy Avenue and Milton Street. Council action is required to approve the plans and specifications, order the improvement, and order the taking of bids.

DISCUSSION

The 2026 Stormwater Improvement Project, CP26-10B will construct permeable pavement sections on portions of Randy Avenue and Milton Street. The stormwater on these roads currently flows into Island Lake, which had been on the MPCA's impaired water list and was only recently removed. The goal of this project is to reduce the amount of stormwater runoff from the road that reaches Island Lake, improving the lake's water quality.

This project was budgeted for in the capital improvement plan for 2026 construction. The estimated cost is \$460,000 for construction, engineering, administration and contingency costs. The Rice Creek Watershed District awarded a stormwater management grant of \$75,000 for the project. \$355,000 in funding will come from the city's surface water fund and \$30,000 will come from the water fund to replace aging watermain below the pavers. The project will not include special assessments.

Plans and specifications are essentially complete and are available in the office of the city engineer. Due to the anticipated costs for the project, a public, lowest-qualified bidder process will be used to solicit and evaluate contractor bids. City council must order the advertisement for bids to begin this process.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the city council adopt the attached resolution 26-51 approving the plans

and specifications, ordering the improvement and ordering the taking of bids for the 2026 Stormwater Improvement Project, city project 26-10B.

ATTACHMENTS

[2026 Stormwater Improvements Map
Resolution 26-51.pdf](#)