

Memorandum

TO: City Council
FROM: Stephanie Smith , City engineer
DATE: November 17, 2025
SUBJECT: Authorize the application for Local Road Improvement Program grant funding for Hamline Avenue reconstruction, CP28-01
ITEM NUMBER: 8.j
SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA

REQUESTED MOTION

To approve resolution 25-86 to authorize the application for Local Road Improvement Program grant funding for Hamline Avenue reconstruction, CP28-01.

INTRODUCTION

Staff has identified a funding opportunity from the Local Road Improvement Program for Hamline Avenue reconstruction, CP28-01. City council approval is required for the grant application.

DISCUSSION

Hamline Avenue is currently scheduled for reconstruction in 2028, per the city's capital improvement plan. The project will include reconstruction of Hamline Avenue, from Lexington Avenue to County Road I, realigning the intersection with County Road I, replacing and adding additional street lights and installing trail connections in the area.

Staff has identified the Local Road Improvement Program, administered by the State, for potential funding assistance. If selected, there is up to \$1.5 million dollars in funding is available, for local-road projects that have regional significance and include safety improvements, address transportation deficiencies and contribute to economic development. Hamline Avenue is a good candidate for this program as the project will include safety and connectivity improvements such as replacing and adding additional street lights, realignment of the T-intersection at County Road I, and connect the regional trail along County Road I from Shamrock Park to Wood Duck Court. Additionally, it is of regional significance, and potential economic significance providing access to and from the TCAAP site in Arden Hills, which may redevelop in the future.

This project has previously been delayed due to other county-led projects requiring the city to use large amounts of our municipal state aid (gas tax) allotment for the local cost-share, such

as the Lexington Avenue and Hodgson Road reconstructions. This grant funding has the potential to provide assistance for the city to fund this substantial project, which has a current budget of \$5,160,000 in the capital improvement plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the city council approve resolution 25-86 to apply for a Local Road Improvement Program grant for Hamline Avenue reconstruction, CP28-01.

ATTACHMENTS

[Resolution 25-86 authorize pursuit of LRIP grant for Hamline Ave Reconstruction CP28-01 HamlineAveReconstruction_SiteMap.pdf](#)