

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #20-195**

**RESOLUTION ORDERING ASSESSMENT ROLL AND CALLING ASSESSMENT HEARING FOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT #20-04, PUMA STREET IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #20-015, adopted February 24, 2020, the City Engineer was instructed to prepare a Feasibility Report with reference to proposed street, trail, and trunk utility improvements to approximately 1,050 feet of Puma Street between 150th Lane NW and Alpine Drive NW, and other appurtenant work, and a Public Hearing was ordered for March 10, 2020 at 7 p.m., where the City Council considered the proposed improvements for said streets in accordance with the Feasibility Report; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #20-043, adopted March 10, 2020, the Public Hearing was postponed to March 24, 2020, to allow sufficient time to mail notices to benefiting property owners and to publish notice twice in the City's official newspaper as required by law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Clerk gave mailed and published notice of such hearing and improvements as required by law; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #20-043A, adopted March 24, 2020, the City Council conducted a Public Hearing, approved the Feasibility Report, and ordered the City Engineer to prepare plans and specifications for the making of such improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, benefiting properties are proposed to be assessed for all or a portion of the cost of said improvements, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 429, Chapter 8 of the City Charter, and the City's Special Assessments Policy; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #20-106 adopted May 26, 2020, the City Council approved plans and specifications and authorized advertisements for bids for said improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, bids were advertised in the Anoka Union Herald and in Finance and Commerce on May 29 and June 5, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, twelve bids were received, opened, and tabulated on June 19, 2020, and were found to comply with the advertisement for bids; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #20-130 adopted June 23, 2020, the City Council accepted bids and awarded a contract to Douglas-Kerr Underground, L.L.C. of Mora, Minnesota, in the amount of \$622,062.11 for construction of said improvements in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and advertisement for bids.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:**

- 1) The City Council hereby determines that a portion of the costs for said improvements shall be assessed against benefitted property owners based upon benefits received without regard to cash valuation.
- 2) The City Clerk shall forthwith calculate the proper amount to be specially assessed for said improvements against every assessable lot, piece or parcel or land without regard to cash valuation as provided by law, and the Clerk shall file a copy of said proposed assessments in their office for public inspection.
- 3) A hearing shall be held on the 13th day of October, 2020 at 7 p.m. at the Ramsey Municipal Center to pass upon such proposed assessments and at such time and place all persons owning property affected by said improvements will be given an opportunity to be heard with reference to such assessment.
- 4) The City Clerk is hereby directed to cause a notice of the hearing on the proposed assessment to be published once in the official newspaper at least two weeks prior to the hearing and shall state in the notice the hearing time, date, and place, overall project description, area to be assessed, total cost of the improvement, a description of a landowner's right to appeal the assessment, and available deferment options. The Clerk shall also cause mailed notice to be given to the owner of each parcel described in the assessment roll not less than two weeks prior to the hearing and shall state the amount of the special assessment against the individual parcels, a description of the property owner's right to appeal the assessment, prepayment provisions, and interest rate.
- 5) The owner of any property so assessed may, at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the County Auditor, pay the whole of the assessment on such property, with interest accrued to the date of payment to the City, except that no interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid within 30 days from the adoption of the assessment. Such payment must be made by November 16th or interest will be charged through December 31st of the succeeding year. In subsequent years, the property owner may at any time thereafter, pay to the City the balance of the assessment remaining unpaid after the current year, provided such payment is made by November 16th.
- 6) The City Clerk shall forthwith transmit a certification of this assessment to the Anoka County Auditor's Office to be extended on the property tax lists of the County. Such assessments shall be collected and paid in the same manner as other municipal taxes.

The motion of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 8th day of September, 2020.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk