

Councilmember _____ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #24-357

RESOLUTION APPROVING NATURAL RESOURCE IMPROVEMENT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH ANOKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT #25-01, RIVERS BEND REGIONAL STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, in June of 2016 the Anoka Conservation District completed a Stormwater Retrofit Analysis for the City of Ramsey and the Lower Rum River Watershed Management Organization (LRRWMO) to identify and rank potential improvement projects that drain to the Mississippi and Rum Rivers; and

WHEREAS, the Stormwater Retrofit Analysis recommended stormwater pond modifications within Rivers Bend Park to increase the volume of stormwater runoff storage provided within a wetland that treated runoff from a 38-acre catchment area to reduce sediment and phosphorus loads within the receiving water, an oxbow of the Rum River; and

WHEREAS, in support of two commercial developments proposed within the 38-acre catchment area upstream of Rivers Bend Park in 2024, Lightbridge Academy and Complete Auto, the City of Ramsey explored options for constructing regional stormwater improvements necessary to treat stormwater runoff from the 38-acre catchment area to current LRRWMO stormwater design standards as recommended in the Anoka Conservation District's Stormwater Retrofit Analysis; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #24-153 the Mayor and City Administrator were authorized and directed to execute the professional services proposal from Bolton & Menk, Inc. to prepare final plans and specifications for Improvement Project #25-01, Rivers Bend Regional Stormwater Improvements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #24-215, adopted August 12, 2024, the plans and specifications prepared by Bolton & Menk, Inc. were approved and advertisements for bids were authorized for City Improvement Project #25-01, Rivers Bend Regional Stormwater Improvements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #24-275, adopted September 24, 2024, the construction contract was awarded to Douglas-Kerr Underground, LLC of Mora, Minnesota, who submitted the lowest responsible total bid in the amount of \$899,653.31 for construction of said improvements in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and advertisement for bids, and Bolton & Menk, Inc.'s professional services proposal for construction services was approved in the not-to-exceed amount of \$15,240 for Improvement Project #25-01, Rivers Bend Regional Stormwater Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Anoka Conservation District awarded \$286,250 in watershed-based grant funds to pay for a portion of the proposed Rivers Bend Regional Stormwater Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the LRRWMO awarded an additional \$39,300 in matching funds to pay for a portion of the proposed Rivers Bend Regional Stormwater Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City has the capability to fund the remaining costs for the proposed Rivers Bend Regional Stormwater Improvements project using storm water management funds; and

WHEREAS, the Anoka Conservation District requires the City of Ramsey to enter into a Natural Resource Improvement Grant Agreement committing the city to specific operational and maintenance activities to ensure the long-term success of the stormwater improvements constructed under City Improvement Project #25-01.

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

- 1) The City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the Natural Resource Improvement Grant Agreement with the Anoka Conservation District for and on behalf of the City of Ramsey.

The motion for 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 10th day of December, 2024.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk