



CITY OF LE SUEUR
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Cory Bienfang, City Engineer
SUBJECT: 10-Year Street & Utilities and 5-Year Street Maintenance Plans
DATE: For the City Council Meeting of Tuesday, May 26, 2020

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Consider adoption of the 10-Year Street & Utilities Capital Improvement Plan and 5-Year Street Maintenance Plan.

SUMMARY

Staff along with BMI have been working on the development of a planning document that outlines the prioritization and timing of major reconstruction improvements for street and utilities within the City over the span of a 10-year window. Consistent with previous discussions, first starting with the City Council workshop back in March, the 10-year plan starts with the ongoing CSAH 22 improvements project and outlines future projects through year 2029. A reconstruction type improvement provides the greatest benefit from an infrastructure standpoint, since everything is replaced with new, however these projects are the costliest type of capital improvement.

The timing of lesser expensive maintenance and rehabilitation of streets can greatly influence their effectiveness and overall life. Based on this, staff has prepared a 5-year street maintenance plan that outlines the prioritization, timing and maintenance strategies proposed to work in conjunction with the 10-Year Street and Utilities reconstruction plan. A 5-Year maintenance plan is standard industry practice as predicting roadway changes beyond 5 years is difficult and with proven reduced effectiveness of maintenance strategies.

Both the 10-Year and 5-Year plans are intended to be guiding documents for future improvements and used by staff to develop project work plans to be brought back to City Council for final approval based on an individual project basis. Both plans are structured to be living documents and accommodating of revisions as future conditions may warrant.

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Staff is recommending that City Council adopt the 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan and 5-Year Street Maintenance Plan and direct staff to start the process of implementation.