


## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>25-001</b>	Meeting:	<b>January 13, 2025</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>25</b>	Roll Call:	<b>25-0036</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Jonathan A. Gano, P.E., Public Works Director</b>		

### AGENDA HEADING:

Setting public hearing on proposed connection fee ordinance for East Army Post Road and Indianola Avenue Trunk Sanitary Sewer System Benefited District.

### SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval to set public hearing on proposed connection fee ordinance and to publish and mail notice to property owners for said public hearing for proposed connection fee ordinance.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$4,500,000 City Engineer's Estimate

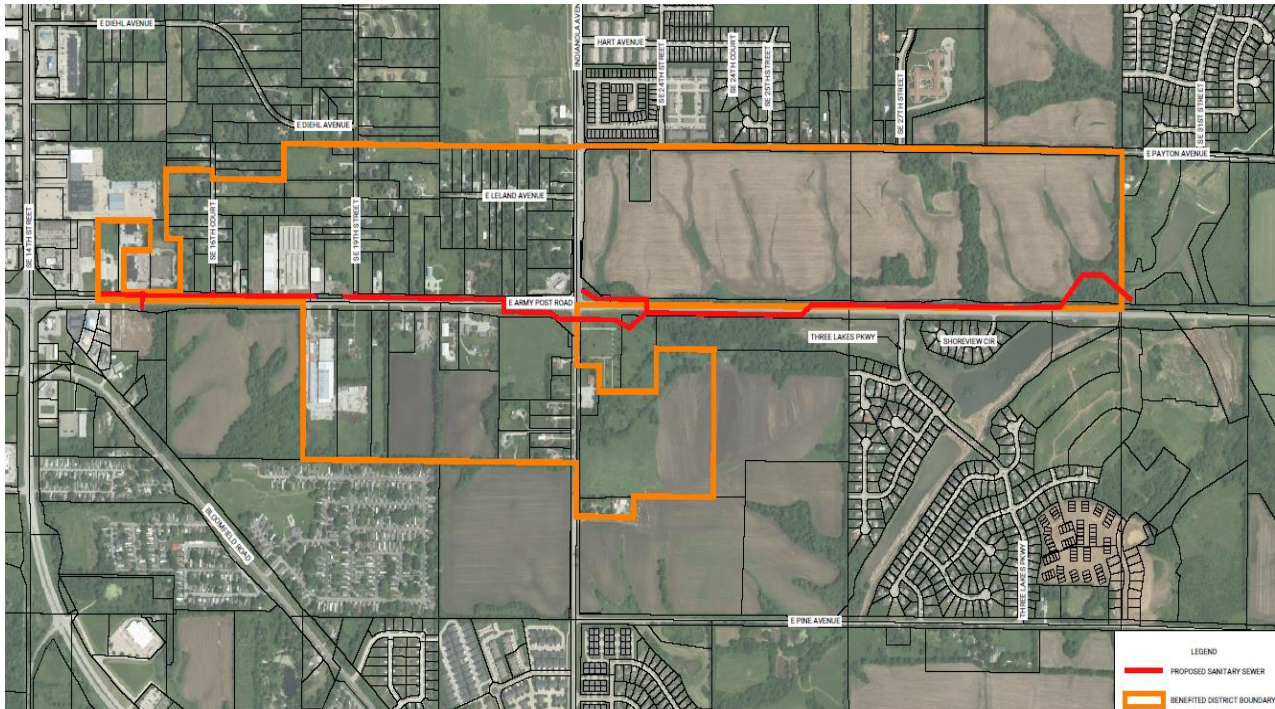
Funding Source: Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page 86, Sanitary Sewer Trunk Sewers, SS120, Sanitary Sewer Fund

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The proposed benefited district is to be established to provide funds for the construction of a trunk sanitary sewer system which will service the area generally lying south of E. Payton Avenue/E. Diehl Avenue, north of E. Pine Avenue/Bloomfield Road, west of SE 30th Street and east of SE 14th Street. The total estimated project cost of \$4,500,000 for the associated construction project, East Army Post Road Trunk Sanitary Sewer from SE 14th Street to Three Lakes Estates, is to be initially funded by the Sanitary Sewer Enterprise fund but will be partially recovered over time as the area develops and connection fees are collected.
- Property owners within the East Army Post Road and Indianola Avenue Trunk Sanitary Sewer System Benefited District will be eligible to voluntarily connect to the proposed trunk sewer improvements upon application, approval, and payment of the connection fee. The proposed benefited district has a total area of 394.924 acres which can be served by the proposed trunk sanitary sewer. The initial per acre connection fee amount has been calculated based on an estimated \$3,164,528 of eligible sanitary sewer related costs identified within the engineers

estimate for the overall construction project, divided by the total area of the benefited district. Property owners who make an application to connect their properties to the trunk sewer will be required to pay a connection fee of \$8,013.01 per acre plus interest at a rate of 3.5% per annum for each parcel of land that will be connected to and served by the trunk sewer. Upon completion of the construction project, the connection fee will be subject to adjustment if the actual total project cost is less than the estimated cost.

- The proposed public hearing date of February 10, 2025, is scheduled to allow public feedback on the proposed connection fee district before construction project bids are considered for award at a later date.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: October 2, 2023

Roll Call Number: [23-1375](#)

Action: [On](#) the intent to commence a public improvement project to construct the East Army Post Road Trunk Sewer Project and to authorize acquisition of the necessary property interests, including agricultural land, for the project. ([Council Communication No. 23-436](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 6-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Anticipated actions include public hearing, approval of connection fee ordinance, and other normal actions related to the associated construction project.

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