


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-133	Meeting:	April 6, 2026
	Agenda Item:	5C	Roll Call:	26-0422
	Submitted by:	Jonathan A. Gano, P.E., Public Works Director, and Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: 2026 Sewer Repair Contract 1 - Receiving bids, (4-21-26), and Setting date of hearing, (5-4-26). (Construction Estimate - \$450,000).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council order construction of the improvement and set dates to receive bids and hold a public hearing, as required by Iowa Code, utilizing the method of financing referenced below. This project includes the following improvements:

- Construction of storm sewer at the intersection of East Market Street and East 18th Street to provide an outlet for storm water along E Market Street, which will reduce storm water flooding at the Metro Waste Authority and reduce the need for City pumps.
- Construction of additional storm sewer intakes and piping along East 25th Street at the intersections with Morton Avenue, Grandview Avenue and Boyd Street to help reduce storm water flows in the street.
- Installation of retaining wall to address erosion at Southwest 61st Street and Park Avenue, utilizing gabion baskets.

FISCAL IMPACT:

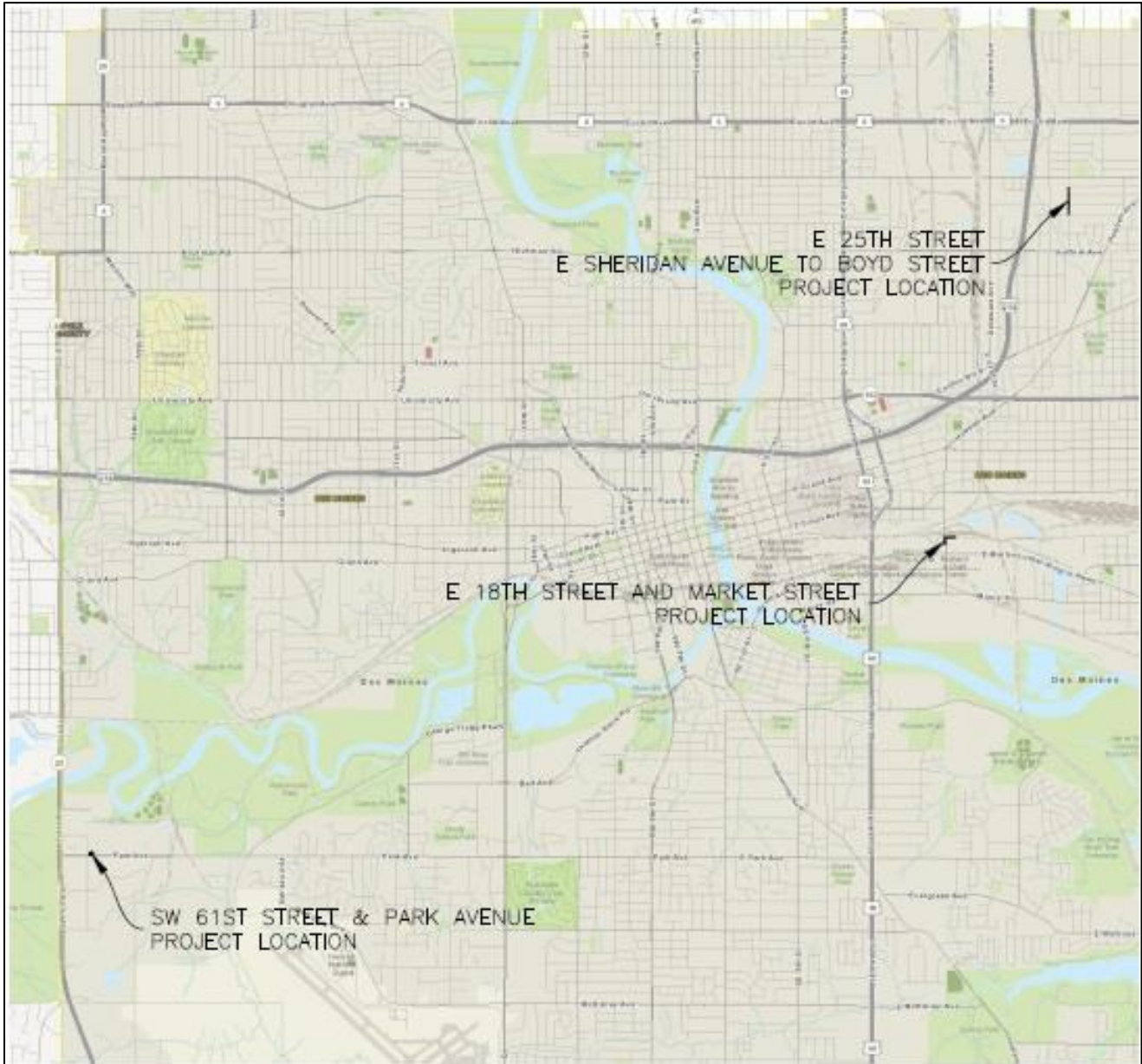
Amount: \$450,000 City Engineer's Estimate

Funding Source: 2025-26 CIP, Page 98, Citywide Storm Water Utility Projects, SM057

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2026 Sewer Repair Contract 1, Activity ID 08-2025-002. The improvement includes removals, storm sewer installation, intakes, Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) Pavement, PCC driveways, Hot-Mix Asphalt (HMA) pavement, modified subbase, gabion baskets, traffic control, erosion control, restoration, seeding, and other miscellaneous work, all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File No. 681-010/030, located at East 25th Street from East Sheridan Avenue to Boyd Street, East 18th Street and East Market Street, Southwest 61st Street and Park Avenue, and other locations directed by the City Engineer.

- The estimated construction cost is \$450,000. The proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents are available for public inspection in the Des Moines City Engineer's Office.
- This project is anticipated to begin in spring 2026 and be completed in fall 2026.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 8, 2025

Roll Call Number: [25-1199](#)

Action: [Authorization](#) to proceed with acquisition of the necessary property interests for the 2026 Sewer Repair Contract. ([Council Communication No. 25-339](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- Anticipated actions include public hearing, receive and file bids, designate lowest bidder, and approve contract and bond; also partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.

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