

**CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

October 14, 2020

No. 20-44

**RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL TO CONDUCT DRAINAGE PROCEEDINGS FOR
RAMSEY COUNTY DITCHES 2, 4 AND 5 UNDER THE WATERSHED LAW**

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, as follows:

WHEREAS, Rice Creek Watershed District (“RCWD”) is the drainage authority for Ramsey County Ditches 2, 4 and 5 (the “Drainage Systems”);

WHEREAS, RCWD is proceeding on repair of the Drainage Systems;

WHEREAS, the RCWD Engineer is preparing repair reports recommending repair options that balance the drainage function of the Drainage Systems with water quality and flood damage concerns in the watershed;

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 103D.621 Subd. 4, grants RCWD the authority to undertake proceedings related to the Drainage Systems in accordance with the Watershed Law (Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103D) rather than the Drainage Code (Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103E), subject to concurrence by city councils and town boards where the Drainage Systems are located;

WHEREAS, RCWD has requested concurrence from the City of Falcon Heights to conduct the necessary proceedings related to the Drainage Systems under the Watershed Law, rather than the Drainage Code;


WHEREAS, the purpose of conducting proceedings under the Watershed Law is to provide consistent management of all drainage systems under RCWD management, comprehensive wetland management, and appropriate administration of resource management plans; and

WHEREAS, conducting the proceedings under the Watershed Law will facilitate flexibility in financing the recommended repair option.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF FALCON HEIGHTS, MINNESOTA:

The City of Falcon Heights, in accordance with Minnesota Statute 103D.621 Subd. 4., consents to the Rice Creek Watershed District's request to conduct proceedings for Ramsey County Ditches 2, 4 and 5 under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103D.

Moved by: Wenye

Approved by: 
Randall C. Gustafson
Mayor

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Attested by: 
Sack Thongvanh
City Administrator