

## STAFF REPORT

DATE: June 8, 2021

**DISCUSSION** 

**AGENDA ITEM**: Update on the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13 (Ideal Avenue) Phase 2

Improvement Project

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**REVIEWED BY**: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

**ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:** Washington County will be presenting a status report and update on the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13 Phase 2 Improvement Project, including project cost updates and schedule for approving a project cost share agreement. The presentation will be followed by council questions and input.

**BACKGROUND:** Washington County is leading a project to identify and construct road improvements on County Highway 13. This second phase of the project is part of a larger project to improve the pavement and safety of Ideal Avenue/Olson Lake Trail between Stillwater Boulevard (CSAH 14) and 44th Street North. The first phase of the project was constructed in 2017. Lake Elmo collaborated with the City of Oakdale on the first phase to extend sanitary sewer to Lake Elmo properties along Olson Lake. This second phase of the project is planned for construction in 2022.

On October 6, 2020 the council approved a Resolution of Municipal Support for the preferred turn lane concept layout. The total estimated local cost share of the project at the time was \$825,000 and the local share would be split between Lake Elmo (\$363,000; 44%) and Oakdale (\$462,000; 56%).

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS: The County has been working on the final design for the CSAH 13 Phase 2 Improvements and will be submitting 90% plans later this month to the city for review and comment. The project proposes to construct 2 storm water basins on the former 3M property to be acquired from the City of Lake Elmo. The County has also initiated the right-of-way acquisition process, including land appraisals, field staking easements and conducting tree surveys. The schedule includes City-County Agreements to be finalized in the Fall, receiving contractor bids in January 2022, and awarding a contract in February 2022.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

• None.