

STAFF REPORT

DATE: February 4, 2025

Consent Agenda

AGENDA ITEM: Site Access Agreement with the Washington County CDA – Old Fire Station

SUBMITTED BY: Jason Stopa, Community Development Director

REVIEWED BY: Ashley Monterusso, City Planner

OBJECTIVE:

To provide access to both the Old Fire Station and the Parks Building for the purposes of an environmental assessment (EA).

BACKGROUND:

The City of Lake Elmo has received an EPA grant through the Washington County CDA for a Phase I EA of both the Old Fire Station and the Parks Building in the Old Village. Stantec is the environmental consultant, selected by the County's program, that needs to be provided access to the site.

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS:

Both Community Development staff and the EDA agree that an EA Phase I is an important first step before issuing an RFP for site redevelopment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ISSUE BEFORE COMMITTEE:

Would the City Council support providing access to the Washington County CDA to conduct a Phase I EA of both the Old Fire Station and the Parks Building.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council support providing access to both the Old Fire Station and the Parks Building for the purposes of an environmental assessment (EA).

Suggested motion:

"Motion to approve signing the site access agreements with the Washington County CDA for the purposes of an environmental assessment at 3510 Laverne Ave and 11120 Upper 33rd Street."

ATTACHMENT:

• Site Access Agreements