



City of Grand Forks
Staff Report
Committee of the Whole – May 27, 2025
City Council – June 2, 2025

APPROVED & ACCEPTED
by City Council

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Agenda Item: Plans and Specifications for City Project No. 8915, District No. 790 – Reconstruct 30th Avenue South (South 34th Street to South 38th Street)

Submitted by: Engineering Department, Logan LeTexier, PE (Civil Engineer, Senior)
Edward Liberman, PE (Assistant City Engineer)

Staff Recommended Action: **Approve Plans and Specifications and Direct Engineering Department to Advertise for Construction Bids for City Project No. 8915, District No. 790 – Reconstruct 30th Avenue South (South 34th Street to South 38th Street)**

Committee Recommended Action: Motion by Vein, second by Lunski to refer to City Council with a recommendation to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Action: Motion by Osowski, second by Berg to approve on consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

BACKGROUND:

This project consists of reconstructing the existing roadway on 30th Avenue South from South 34th Street to South 38th Street. The existing roadway is 37 feet wide and was originally constructed in 1996. The existing pavement is considerably heaved, sunken, and cracked throughout the driving lane, but the curb and gutter has portions that remain in good condition and can be salvaged. This roadway receives frequent complaints from other departments and the general public. Several alternatives were considered for rehabilitation in this area. After analyzing the condition of the pavement and the curb, it was determined that rehabilitation would not provide a long-term solution. With the majority of the curb and gutter being in an acceptable condition, salvaging the curb may provide the best value in lieu of a total reconstruction.

Public works performed investigative efforts on the underground utilities to identify any areas that were in poor condition. Following their work, it was determined that minor repairs would be beneficial to the storm sewer.

The proposed reconstruction will replace the driving lanes and any failing curb and gutter, while salvaging the curb and gutter that is in good condition. The project will also include minor storm sewer and sidewalk improvements.

This project was considered at previous Council/Public meetings, which are as follows:

- May 5, 2025 – Council approved the Engineer's Report, created the Special Assessment District, and directed Engineering Department to prepare Plans & Specifications for this project
- May 15, 2025 – A public input meeting was held

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:

- The work for this project will consist of constructing a 7” concrete pavement on 12” aggregate base, as well as storm sewer and sidewalk improvements.
- The total construction cost for this project is estimated to be \$1.3M.
- A portion of this project will be funded with a City share, as current City policy is to fund 80% of the cost of reconstruction projects for local streets with the remaining 20% being special assessed to the benefitting properties.
- The City share is currently estimated to be \$1.04M, which will be funded from the Street/Infrastructure Fund 4815.
- This project is not currently in the 2025 City budget; however, sufficient funds are available in Fund 4815 to support this project due to an offset project that shifted to a later year in the City’s CIP. A budget amendment will be requested at the time bids are presented to City Council for award.
- Construction is anticipated to take place during the 2025 construction season.
- It is expected that the benefits of this project outweigh the cost. A full Cost-Benefit Analysis will be conducted prior to the bid opening.
- The resolution of necessity for the paving project can be protested per State law [Ref: ND Century Code Ch. 40-22]; the protest period is scheduled to expire on July 3, 2025.
- A project timetable with milestone dates is attached with this staff report.

SUPPORT MATERIALS:

- Timetable For Special Assessment Project (1 page)
- Assessment District Map (1 page)

TIMETABLE FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROJECTS

Project Name Reconstruct 30th Ave S (S 34th St to S 38th St)
 Project Number 8915 District No. 790

- Paving
- Street Lighting
- Other _____

This timetable prepared by LJL
 Revised by _____

Date 4/23/25
 Date _____

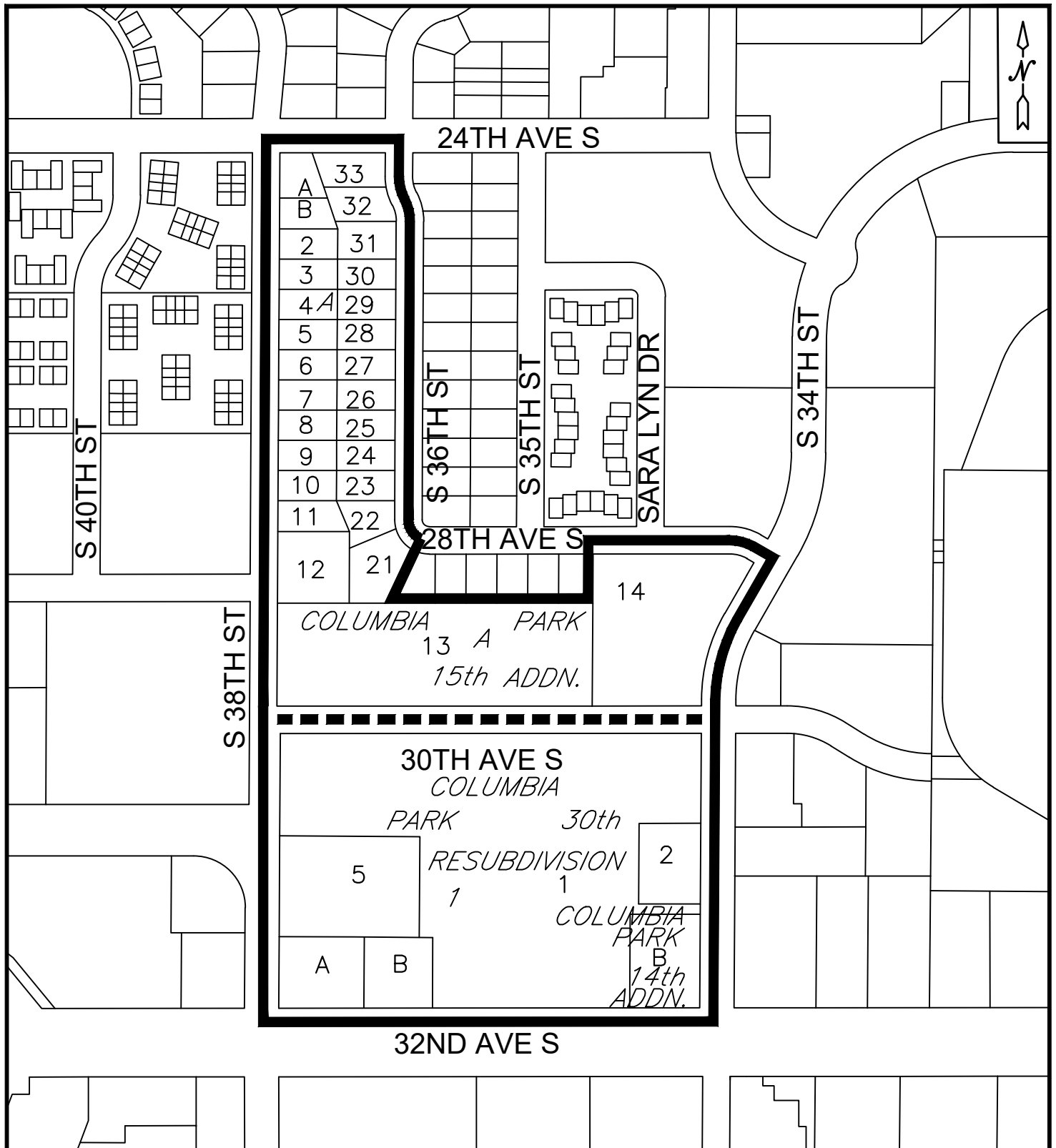
Action	Date of Action			Approved
	Other	Committee	Council	
Approval of Engineers Report including estimate. Resolution creating assessment district. Direct engineering to prepare plans & specifications.		4/28/25	5/5/25	
*Special Assessment Commission to meet to determine preliminary distribution of benefits.	Week of 5/6/25			
*Notices sent to property owners.	Week of 5/6/25			
**Advertisement for bids prepared.	5/29/25			
Approval of plans & specs and direct engineering to advertise for construction bids.		5/27/25	6/2/25	We are Here
Resolution of Necessity published.	6/3/25			
*Advertisement for bids published.	6/4/25			
Discuss Project. (Optional)				
***Bids received, opened & tabulated.	6/19/25			
#Recommend award of contract.		6/23/25		
Expiration of protest period.	7/3/25			
***Certificate as to sufficiency.	7/7/25			
Resolution as to protest and awarding contract.			7/7/25	

*Responsibility of Finance & Administrative Services Office

**Responsibility of Engineering Department.

***Responsibility of Finance & Administrative Service Office & Engineering Department.

#If bids are more than 25% higher than engineers estimate, Finance & Administrative Services Office will notify property owners and protest period will be extended 2 weeks.



RECONSTRUCT 30TH AVE S (S 34TH ST TO S 38TH ST)

LEGEND

PROJECT # 8915

DISTRICT # 790

- ASSESSMENT DISTRICT BOUNDARY
- PROJECT LIMITS