



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

APPROVED & ACCEPTED
by City Council

06/02/2025

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Agenda Item: Bids for City Project No. 8864 – Flood Station 209 Outfall Repair (Elmwood Dr & 32nd Ave S)

Submitted by: Engineering Department, Christian Danielson, PE (Assistant City Engineer)
Anthony Ryan, PE (Civil Engineer, Senior)

Staff Recommended Action: Award Contract to low bidder, Gowan Construction, in the amount of \$108,962.20 for City Project No. 8864 – Flood Station 209 Outfall Repair (Elmwood Dr & 32nd Ave S) and approve budget amendment.

Committee Recommended Action: Motion by Weigel, second by Berg 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:

Bids for this Project were received on 5/22/25. The low bid of \$108,962.20 was submitted by Gowan construction and is approximately 13% under the Engineer’s Estimate.

Funding for this Project will come from Fund 4154. Currently there is no budget line item for this repair because this Project was identified for repair after budgets were finalized. Engineering staff recommends approval of a budget amendment for this Project.

Flood Station 209 is located near 32nd Ave and Elmwood Dr. During normal times of the year, this flood station allows runoff from the City to gravity drain through the gatewell to the Red River via a 48” outfall pipe. During flood season, the gates are closed inside the gatewell to prevent flood waters from backing up through the flood station and water is pumped into the gatewell from a higher elevation. From there, water is still able to discharge to the red river in the 48” pipe.

Flood station 209 and the corresponding outfall pipe were installed as a part of the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE, Corps) Flood Protection Project after the 97' flood. Since that time, the 48" outfall pipe has experienced settlement which has caused the pipe joints to separate near the outfall at the red river. Continued separation may risk failure of the pipe closer to the levee. This project includes removing the 48" outfall pipe near the river, improving the material underneath, and re-installing the pipe. Engineering will monitor the pipe to see if there is any further settlement of the pipe in the future.

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:

- Project 8864 is estimated at \$125,309.
- A total of 4 bids were received and 4 bids were opened.
- Bids ranged from \$108,962.20 to \$159,420.97.
- The lowest bid was from Gowan Construction in the amount of \$108,962.20.
- Work is projected to take place in 2025.
- The USACE requires that the City upkeeps the flood protection project to be eligible for PL84-99 assistance during a major flood event.

SUPPORT MATERIALS:

- Abstract of Bids Received
- Project Location Map
- 2025 City Budget, page 309

Abstract of Bids Received

City Project No. 8864

Project Name-Flood Station #209 Outfall Repair

Bid Opening - 2:00 PM on Thursday, May 22, 2025

Contractor	Acknowledge Addendum 1	Bid Bond	Contractor's License	Base Bid
1 Gowan Construction Oslo, MN	n/a	x	x	\$108,962.20
2 Robinson Excavating, Inc. Grand Forks, ND	n/a	x	x	\$109,394.00
3 United Crane & Excavation Grand Forks, ND	n/a	x	x	\$144,242.50
4 R.J. Zavoral and Sons, Inc. East Grand Forks, MN	n/a	x	x	\$159,420.97
<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>				\$125,309.00

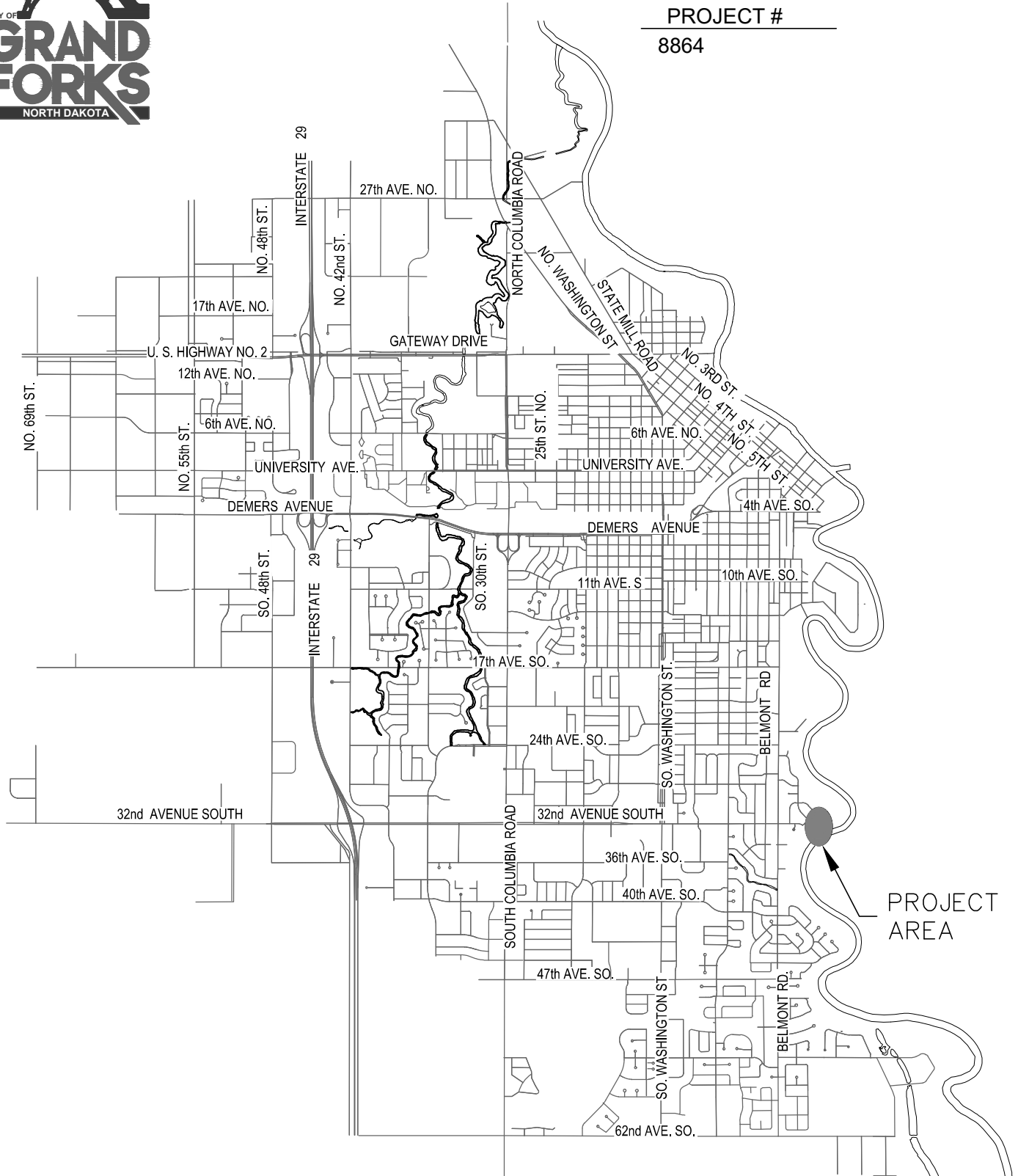
PROJECT LOCATION MAP GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA

FLOOD STATION 209 OUTFALL REPAIR
(ELMWOOD DR & 32ND AVE S)



PROJECT #

8864



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Flood Protection Capital Maintenance

G/L Account	Account Description	2022 Amended Budget	2022 Actual Amount	2023 Amended Budget	2023 Actual Amount	2024 Amended Budget	2025 Adopted Budget	
Fund 4154 - Flood Protection Capital Mtce								
EXPENSE								
Department 100 - Expenditures								
<i>Contractual Services</i>								
4154.100 430.0090	Advertising	.00	1,926.06	4,636.00	4,635.52	.00	.00	
4154.100 430.0150	Consultants	.00	.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	.00	.00	
<i>Contractual Services Totals</i>		\$0.00	\$1,926.06	\$8,136.00	\$8,135.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<i>Operating Transfers Out</i>								
4154.100 900.0010	Operating Transfers Out	.00	.00	18,537.00	18,536.75	.00	.00	
<i>Operating Transfers Out Totals</i>		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,537.00	\$18,536.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<i>Capital Outlay</i>								
4154.100 600.0010	Land Acquisition	.00	289,727.69	.00	.00	.00	.00	
4154.100 650.0010	Work In Progress	1,308,708.00	275,769.78	1,074,557.00	1,159,158.43	4,151,399.00	3,770,000.00	
Budget Transactions								
<i>Level</i>	<i>Transaction</i>					<i>Number of Units</i>	<i>Cost Per Unit</i>	<i>Total Amount</i>
Adopted Budget	English Coulee Diversion Maintenance					1.0000	850,000.00	850,000.00
Adopted Budget	Flood Station Rehab					1.0000	500,000.00	500,000.00
Adopted Budget	GF South Area Overland Flow Risk Eval					1.0000	100,000.00	100,000.00
Adopted Budget	Greenway Trail Overlay					1.0000	110,000.00	110,000.00
Adopted Budget	Levee/Excavation Settlement Repair					1.0000	100,000.00	100,000.00
Adopted Budget	Misc. Riprap Replacement					1.0000	90,000.00	90,000.00
Adopted Budget	Public Works Mower					1.0000	50,000.00	50,000.00
Adopted Budget	River's Edge					1.0000	200,000.00	200,000.00
Adopted Budget	South End Drainage Improvements (East)					1.0000	1,470,000.00	1,470,000.00
Adopted Budget	Stormwater Pond Clearing/Mtce					1.0000	300,000.00	300,000.00
						Adopted Budget Totals		\$3,770,000.00
4154.100 700.0050	Gen Equipment N.O.C.	.00	.00	14,533.00	14,532.02	.00	.00	
<i>Capital Outlay Totals</i>		\$1,308,708.00	\$565,497.47	\$1,089,090.00	\$1,173,690.45	\$4,151,399.00	\$3,770,000.00	