

Council Agenda Item 26-0121R



MEETING DATE: February 23, 2026

SUBJECT/TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE NATURAL RESOURCES DAMAGES ASSESSMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY AND THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$190,000.

SUBMITTED BY: Jim Benning, PE, Public Works and Utilities Director, Public Works and Utilities.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BACKGROUND: On July 31, 2024 city maintenance activities resulting in a fish kill in Tischer Creek. The purpose of this resolution is to approve an Agreement which authorizes monetary and in-kind payments totaling \$190,000 to compensate the MPCA and DNR for costs associated with the natural resources damage assessment and fund the implementation of restoration projects within the Tischer Creek watershed and/or other locations that will benefit the area impacted by the release.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: \$190,000 from the Stormwater Utility Fund (535).

OPTIONS: Approve or deny.

NECESSARY ACTION: Consent to authorize agreement.

ATTACHMENTS: Natural Resources Damages Settlement Agreement (Exhibit A).