

Council Agenda Item 26-0740R



MEETING DATE: August 24, 2026

SUBJECT/TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S GREAT LAKES RESTORATION INITIATIVE PROGRAM FOR A \$750,000 GRANT FOR THE CODY STREET STORMWATER FILTRATION BASIN.

SUBMITTED BY: Ryan Granlund, Public Works and Utilities, Engineering Division

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Grant Committee approved on 5/27/2026

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: June 15, 2026 Resolution 26-0536R approved grant application.

BACKGROUND: The City of Duluth Public Works and Utilities is proposing a project to install a new stormwater filtration basin at the intersection of Cody Street and Westgate Boulevard to remove bacteria, sediment, nutrients and trash from stormwater runoff prior to draining to Keene Creek trout stream. Keene Creek is impaired for excess levels of bacteria and chloride, and the City must implement measures to reduce these pollutants per the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) permit. The EPA has awarded this grant to the City for 100% cost share assistance up to \$750,000.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: The working fund for this project is Stormwater Utility Fund 535-500-1905-5533 with Federal Grant funds paying for most of the project. There is not a match requirement for the grant, though excess costs beyond the award will be the responsibility of the City. The grant award is \$750,000 and Public Works and Utilities estimate the total construction cost to be \$1,080,000. This project is for 2027.

OPTIONS: Approve or deny.

NECESSARY ACTION: Consent to accept grant agreement.

ATTACHMENTS: Exhibit A – EPA Grant Agreement – Cody St. Filtration Basin, 2377 – Concept Design