

# Council Agenda Item 26-0318R



**MEETING DATE:** April 27, 2026

**SUBJECT/TITLE:** RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO NORTHLAND CONSTRUCTORS OF DULUTH, A DIVISION OF MATHY CONSTRUCTION CO., FOR THE WEST SUPERIOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,376,000.00.

**SUBMITTED BY:** Alex Popp, Public Works and Utilities, Engineering Division

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** N/A

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:**

Resolution No. 22-1046R, passed on December 19, 2022, authorized the original design contract (L30735) with Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc for a total of \$2,411,000.00.

Resolution No. 23-0674R, passed on September 11, 2023, authorized MnDOT agreement no. 1053871 to complete a required archeological assessment for the project.

Resolution No. 23-0675R, passed on September 11, 2023, authorized MnDOT agreement no. 1053870 to complete a required architectural history investigation for the project.

Resolution No. 24-0108R, passed on February 26, 2024, amended MnDOT agreement no. 1053870 to increase the City matching contribution to complete a required architectural history investigation for the project.

Resolution No. 25-0178R, passed on March 10, 2025, amended the design contract (L30735) with Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. to increase the amount by \$498,551.00 for a new total of \$2,909,551.00.

Resolution No. 25-0183R, passed on March 10, 2025, established the “no parking” zones required by the proposed design.

Resolution No. 26-0108R, passed on February 9, 2026, authorized the City to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Transportation for the reconstruction of W Superior Street in the amount of \$24,999,160.00.

Resolution No. 26-0109R, passed on February 23, 2026, amended the design contract (L30735) with Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. to provide additional professional engineering and construction administration services, increasing the amount by \$3,424,100.00 for a new total of \$6,333,651.00.

**BACKGROUND:** This resolution authorizes city officials to enter into a contract for the West Superior Street Reconstruction Project with Northland Constructors of Duluth, a division of Mathy Construction Co., (Northland), between Carlton Street and W Michigan Street, in the amount of \$33,376,000.00. Northland was the lowest responsible bidder of the two companies that responded. The engineer's estimate was \$36,621,233.80.

**BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT:** The construction will use budgeted capital funds payable from Permanent Improvement Fund 411, Department 035 (Capital Projects Accounts), Object 5530 (Improvements Other than Buildings), city project no. 2104, purchase order no. 26-032.

**OPTIONS:** Approve or delay capital improvements

**NECESSARY ACTION:** Approve to award the project

**ATTACHMENTS:** Bid tabulation, location map.