

**NOTICE OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

There will be a regular meeting of the City Council in and for the City of Albany, Stearns County, Minnesota at 6:30 o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, in the Council Room at 400 Railroad Avenue for the said City.

AGENDA

1. Convene meeting
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Audit Bills
4. Act on regular Council minutes of the meeting held on February 2nd
5. Open Forum/Public comment (3 to 5 minutes max.)
6. John Hannon, Albany Library Services Coordinator, Great River Regional Library - present Albany Public Library circulation and activities report for 2021 year-end.
7. Jeremy Mathiasen, City Engineer
 - Resolution 2022-06 receiving bids and awarding contract for the 2022 Midland Avenue Reconstruction Improvements
 - Resolution 2023-05 approving plans and specifications and ordering advertisement for bids for the 2022 1st Street (TH 238) and Railroad Avenue Intersection Improvements
 - project updates
8. Reports of Boards and Department Heads
 - Keith Heitzman, Albany Golf Club Liaison – present AGC checkbook register
 - Joe Mergen, Public Works Supervisor
 - Tom Schneider, Clerk/Adm. – present the following:
 - MN Charitable Gambling LG220 application request by Albany FFA Alumni to conduct a raffle. (Resolution No. 2022-07)
9. Mayor's announcements and letters
10. Mayor to announce next regular Council meeting date (March 2nd) and adjourn

Tom Schneider
Clerk/Adm.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Council in and for the City of Albany, Stearns County, Minnesota, was called to order by Mayor Tom Kasner at 6:30 o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, in the Council Room at 400 Railroad Avenue for the said City.

Other Council members present were: Councilors John R. Harlander, Keith Heitzman, Al Amdahl, and Adam Rushmeyer. None were absent.

Other's present were: Tom Schneider, Clerk/Adm., Joe Mergen, Public Works Supervisor, Jeremy Mathiasen, City Engineer with Stantec, Inc., St. Cloud, MN, David Belford, owner of Barbacoa American and Mexican Restaurant, 441 Railroad Avenue, and Ellarry Prentice, Staff Writer, the Star Post.

The council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The council took notice of approval of payment of bills. After due discussion, a motion was made by John R. Harlander and seconded by Adam Rushmeyer to authorize electronic payments (payroll), transfers, and the payment of the following bills: Check Numbers 71536 to 71655. All voted for the motion and it carried.

Mayor Tom Kasner called for any corrections or additions to the minutes of the regular meeting of the council held on January 19th and hearing none declared them approved.

Open forum/public comments: none

Councilor John R. Harlander, Economic Development Authority (EDA) Liaison, informed the council the EDA held a meeting on January 20th, on a request by David Belford, owner of Barbacoa American and Mexican Restaurant, 441 Railroad Avenue, to review a business assistance application for a Commercial Rehabilitation Deferred Loan/Grant (CRDL) for the following building improvements on the 1st and 2nd floor facing Railroad Avenue: exterior and interior windows/doors/partitions, masonry brick, tuckpointing, rough-in carpentry, demo, painting, electrical, plumbing, exterior sign, etc. at an estimated cost of \$72,000+/- . Mr. Harlander presented to the council a storefront sketch included in the application which depicts many improvements similar to when the building was constructed in the year 1900+/- . Mr. Belford noted the future plans are to remove the chain link fence abutting the sidewalk on the east side of the building and pour a concrete patio for outside dining and an entry door to the building for handicap access. Mr. Belford also noted commercial and/or residential apartments, a mixed use on the second floor, is being considered at some point in the future. After due discussion, and upon recommendation from the EDA, a motion was made by John R. Harlander and seconded by Al Amdahl, to approve the CRDL application submitted by David Belford, owner of Barbacoa American and Mexican Restaurant as follows:

- The estimated total of the improvements if \$72,000+/- or the EDA's share to be \$24,999, the maximum.
- Remove all pole barn steel on the front or south side of building.
- Owner shall comply with building code requirements consistent with the use of building.
- New improvements related to, but not limited to, increase tax base, entrance doors, 1st and 2nd floor windows as per the sketch provided in the application, HVAC, and electric.
- Upon completion, applicant to submit to City evidence of payment to contractor(s) and completion of eligible building improvements prior to the City releasing EDA funds.
- Improves efficiencies of building. A large capital investment on Railroad Avenue.
- The application meets the goals of the program which are to improve the useful life of a building and keep downtown vital.
- The request meets the City's 2014 Criteria for Business Subsidy.
- If the real estate is sold, transferred or otherwise conveyed within four (4) years of the final disbursement date, voluntarily or involuntarily, the full amount of the CRDLs must be repaid to the EDA. Thereafter, the amount of repayment is reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) for each

year until the seventh (7th) anniversary of the final disbursement date. After the seventh (7th) anniversary, the deferred loan is entirely forgiven as outlined in the Deferred Loan Payment Agreement that will be executed between the EDA and Albany Hotel & Business Center, Inc.

- A 1099-C will be issued to the applicant and a satisfaction of mortgage upon completion of the said Agreement.

All voted for the motion and it carried. Mayor Tom Kasner directed Mr. Belford to submit an application for a commercial building permit when the project will move forward and thanked him for considering the large capital investment on Railroad Avenue.

Mr. Mathiasen appeared before the council to discuss a proposed Pedestrian Trail Connection Improvement along the east side of North Lake adjacent to State HWY #238 from North Park to Lake Avenue as discussed by the Park Board at their meeting held on January 25th. Mr. Mathiasen noted the Park Board directed him to prepare a feasibility study to determine the costs associated with the trail improvement, but to date he has not had a chance to connect with representatives from the Mn Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT). Councilor Al Amdahl informed the council the said study will be paid for by funds received by an anonymous donor. Mr. Mathiasen noted the said study will be presented to the council for further discussion at a future meeting.

Mr. Mathiasen informed the council the addition of handicap parking spaces on the north side of Railroad Avenue can't be accomplished due to limited parking width within the right of way and challenges in complying with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA). Mr. Mathiasen presented to the council a proposed sketch of three new handicap parking spaces shown in strategic locations in the city parking lot. Mayor Tom Kasner noted a business owner brought the idea of adding handicap parking spaces near intersections on the north side of Railroad Avenue to improve visibility for vehicles and pedestrians. Mayor Tom Kasner noted the proposed handicap parking stalls can be easily added in the city parking lot by painting the bituminous and signage if this is what the council would like to have done in the spring and thanked Mr. Mathiasen for the information. No action was taken by the council.

Mr. Mathiasen also informed the council the city may at its discretion implement lower speed limits on residential streets to improve safety for pedestrians and motorists, but must develop procedures to set speed limits based on the city's safety, engineering, and traffic analysis to effectively communicate the change to the public. Mr. Mathiasen noted the MN Statute 169 does not apply to town roads, county highways, or trunk highways in the city. Mr. Mathiasen informed the council this action can be considered at any time in the future.

Mr. Schneider presented to the council a proposed draft of Section 33.01, WRAP Policy, on behalf of the Police Department. Mr. Schneider noted the WRAP, a temporary restraining device, provides a safe and quick method of controlling and immobilizing a violent or potentially violent or combative subject who has been detained or taken into custody. Mr. Schneider noted the policy is mandated and recommended approval. After due discussion and upon the recommendation by the police department, a motion was made by Al Amdahl and seconded by Keith Heitzman to approve the WRAP Policy for the Albany Police Department. All voted for the motion and it carried.

Councilor Al Amdahl, Park Board Liaison, informed the council the Park Board held a meeting on January 25th to review and discuss a concept plan for the following park improvements in North Park: picnic areas, pickleball courts, youth baseball fields, soccer fields, BMX bicycle track, splash pad, dog park, green house, North Lake learning platform, restrooms, pedestrian walk paths, etc. Mr. Schneider noted a roadway is shown on the concept drawing from State Hwy #238 to the former hospital/clinic parking lot; whereby the roadway and other proposed improvements are required to be approved by the state being the park property was purchased with federal (Land & Water Conservation Fund -LAWCON), state, and local funds in 1969. Mr. Mathiasen noted an alternative roadway through the park to the former hospital/clinic parking lot might be Soo Line Avenue. Mr. Amdahl also noted the city can apply to the state outdoor recreation grant program to fund the proposed improvements. Mayor Tom Kasner, with the

consensus of the council, directed Mr. Mergen to contact Hanson Paving, Sauk Rapids, MN, for a quote to skim patch the walk/bike path adjacent to State Hwy #238 beginning south of Soo Line Avenue and ending near the driveway entrance to the Jaycee shelter in North Park.

Mr. Amdahl also updated the council on upcoming performances scheduled in the Blattner Energy Arts Theater (BEAT), which is offered by Albany Area Schools Community Education.

Dalton Herzog, appeared before the Council on behalf of the Albany Area Jaycees, to request approval of a Large Gathering application for an Event Permit for their annual Ice Cup Golf Challenge to be held on North Lake on Saturday, February 26th. Mr. Herzog noted the organization is hoping to register 50+/- teams to compete against each other on a make shift golf course on North Lake. Mayor Tom Kasner informed the council the event is a fundraiser and appreciates the efforts of the members in organizing the event. Councilor Al Amdahl thanked Mr. Herzog for appearing at the meeting and thanked the membership for all their community support for various park improvements. After due discussion, a motion was made by Mayor Tom Kasner and seconded by Adam Rushmeyer to approve an Event Permit for the aforesaid activity. All voted for the motion and it carried.

Councilor Keith Heitzman, Albany Golf Club Liaison, informed the council wooden poles have been installed around the boundary of the Toptracer range so netting can be attached to each pole to keep golf balls hit by golfers within the designated range area rather than becoming a hazard for golfers using the course adjacent to the range.

The council also took notice of two Minnesota Lawful Gambling applications submitted by the Albany Sportsmen Club and Holy Family School for the purpose of each conducting a raffle. After due discussion, a motion was made by Keith Heitzman who introduced the following resolutions and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-03
APPROVING MINNESOTA
LAWFUL GAMBLING LG220 APPLICATION
(Albany Sportsmen Club-January 5, 2023)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-04
APPROVING MINNESOTA
LAWFUL GAMBLING LG220 APPLICATION
(Holy Family School, June 20, 2022)

The motion for the foregoing resolutions were seconded by John R. Harlander and after a full discussion thereon and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Mayor Tom Kasner, Councilors Adam Rushmeyer, John R. Harlander, Keith Heitzman, and Al Amdahl, and none voted against the same, whereupon the said Resolutions were declared duly passed and adopted.

The council took notice of a letter of resignation request by Dannielle Zierden, Administrative Assistant for the Administration/Police Department effective February 22nd. Mr. Schneider informed the council Ms. Zierden has accepted another job in the private section and been a great employee. Mr. Schneider also noted Ms. Zierden will be available to train the new employee and recommended she be paid \$40 per hour as a seasonal employee with no benefits. After due discussion, a motion was made by Mayor Tom Kasner and seconded by John R. Harlander to accept the letter of resignation from Ms. Zierden and she be paid \$40 per hour for her services in training her replacement. All voted for the motion and it carried. Mr. Schneider noted a notice of the employment vacancy was published in the Star Post and the deadline to submit an application to the city administration office is 11:00 AM on Tuesday, February 8th.

Mr. Schneider informed the council the MN Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) launched a Main Street Economic Revitalization Program to award grants to partner organizations such as the Initiative Foundation in Little Falls, MN, to establish programs targeting specific main street and commercial corridors to fund economic development, add jobs, and redevelopment projects

adversely affected by COVID-19. Mr. Schneider noted state funds would be distributed by the Initiative Foundation to participating municipalities. Mr. Rushmeyer noted many of the program objectives are similar to the city's EDA Commercial Rehabilitation Deferred Loan/Grant (CRDL) and several businesses within the city's designated corridor or Railroad Avenue have participated locally with the EDA's program. No action was taken by the council.

Mayor Tom Kasner informed the council he and Councilor Keith Heitzman, employee liaisons, discussed with Police Chief Ozzie Carbajal and Tom Schneider, Administrator, a request to increase the hourly pay for Sergeant Matt Gannon. Mayor Tom Kasner noted Sergeant Gannon is a great asset for the community, school district, and police department; whereby he would support at \$2.00 per hour increase. After due discussion, a motion was made by Mayor Tom Kasner and seconded by John R. Harlander to approve an increase of \$2.00 per hour to Sergeant Matt Gannon, Group IX Pay Equity Pay Range, effective February 9th. All voted for the motion and it carried.

Mayor Tom Kasner announced the next regular Council meeting for 6:30 o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, and adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Tom Schneider
Clerk/Adm.

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Month: February Year: 2022

Statistics

-Circulation (number of physical items checked out) in 2021 was 92,815 items, an increase of 87.1%% from 2020. This was more than double the overall regional increase of 32.1%. It is also the highest total circulation in Albany since 2008, which peaked at 94,434.

-System wide GRRL saw a total digital circulation of 268,147 eBooks, audio books, streaming music and videos downloaded from our digital platforms, a 3.5% increase from 2020.

Programs

Local programming in Albany has been slowly coming back. Our adult book club returned to in person meetings in 2021, but returned to Zoom in December. Pre-school storytimes also resumed on Wednesday mornings and have been returning to pre-COVID attendance. Our first Legacy program since 2019 was held in September, the Mobile Sign Shop brought materials for designing and painting wooden signs.

The 2021 Summer Reading Program (Reading Colors Your World) was surprisingly successful. With no large in-person programs for families to attend, high participation was not expected. Our participation in 2019 peaked at 476 children and teens participating, 2020 dropped to only 85, and 2021 was back up to 407 participants

News

2021 Library activity was focused on returning to pre-COVID activity levels, and preparing for two major changes at the beginning of 2022.

First, at the beginning of this year, all GRRL libraries have gone fines free. Late fees are no longer assessed and the only charges remaining are for lost or damaged items. This removes a major barrier for some library users and is likely to drive an increase in circulation. Due dates for items will remain the same, and accounts with overdue items will not be allowed to checkout additional items until the other items are returned.

The second major change is that many locations, including Albany, increased their open hours in 2022. Albany added another morning and is now open from 10-5 on



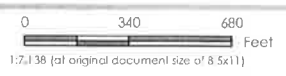
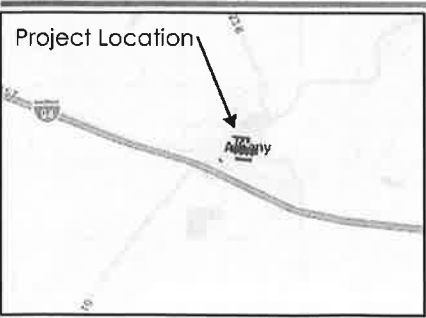
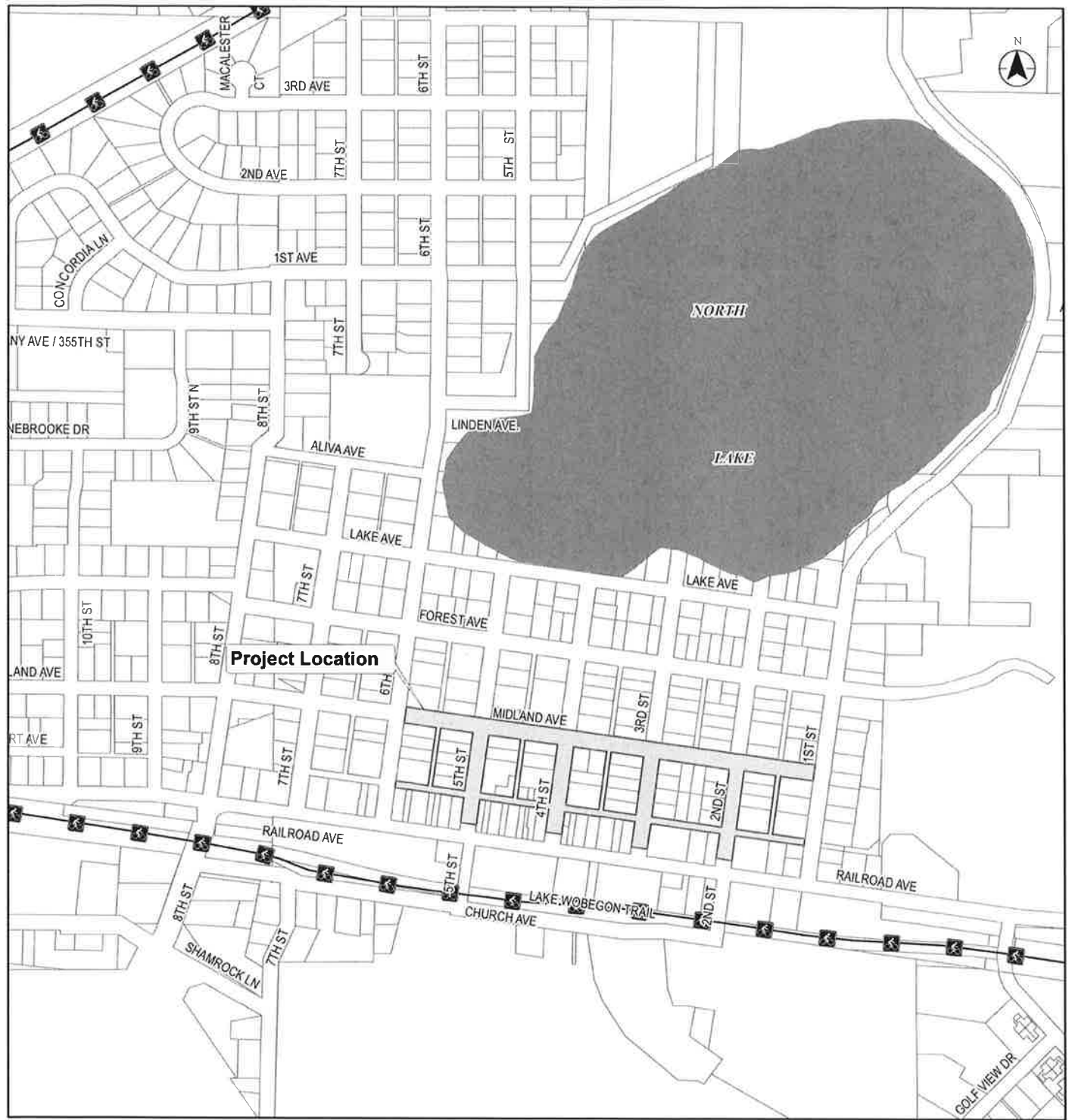
Fridays instead of 12-5. In Albany we expect a more noticeable increase in traffic during those hours during the Summer.

Building/Maintenance Issues

None to report.

On behalf of the library and the community we serve, I would like to thank the City of Albany and City staff for their continual support of the library and their flexibility and dedication in getting through the past year.

John Hannon- Library Services Coordinator
Albany/Melrose Public Libraries
320-845-4843



- Legend**
- Project Locations
 - Lake Wobegon Regional Trail
 - Right of Way
 - Surface Water
 - Parcels

- Notes**
1. Coordinate System: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 15N
 2. Base features: Stanlec; MNDNR, Stearns County
 3. Orthoimagery © Microsoft Bing Maps

Project Location 193805394
 Albany, MN Prepared by DME on 2021-09-10
 Technical Review by JBM on 2021-09-10

Client/Project
 City of Albany
 2022 Proposed Project Location

Figure No.
1
 Site

Project Location Map

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RESOLUTION 2022-06
RECEIVING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACT
2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
(Street and Utility Improvements)

WHEREAS, pursuant to an advertisement for bids prepared and submitted by the City of Albany, Stearns County, Minnesota (the "City"), for the construction of the following improvements consisting of: street, storm sewer, sanitary sewer, water main, water services and sewer services improvements, to wit: Midland Avenue (from 1st Street to 6th Street) 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Streets (from Railroad Avenue to Midland Avenue), and adjacent Alleys, bids were received, opened and tabulated according to law, as shown on Exhibit A.

WHEREAS, the Base Bid of _____ in the amount of \$ _____ is the lowest responsible bid.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City, as follows:

1. The Base Bid of _____, shall be and hereby is accepted.
2. The Mayor and the Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with said bidder for the construction of the Improvement for and on behalf of the City.
3. The Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to return forthwith to all bidders the deposits made with their bids, except that the deposit of the successful bidder and the next lowest bidder shall be returned until a contract has been executed.

Adopted by the City Council on February 16, 2022.

Tom Kasner, Mayor

Tom Schneider, Clerk/Adm.

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MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

CITY OF ALBANY, MINNESOTA

ALBANY (TH 238) 1ST STREET IMPROVEMENTS

CONSTRUCTION PLAN FOR: GRADING, BITUMINOUS AND CONCRETE SURFACING, ADA IMPROVEMENTS, AND LIGHTING

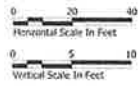
LOCATED ON TH 238 BETWEEN SHAMROCK LANE AND 177' NORTH OF RAILROAD AVENUE

PROJECT NO.	7323-14		
GROSS LENGTH	3843 FT	0.728	MILES
BRIDGES-LENGTH	FT		MILES
EXCEPTIONS-LENGTH	2497 FT	0.473	MILES
NET LENGTH	1346 FT	0.255	MILES
RP	FT		MILES

DESIGN DESIGNATION

FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION	Minor Arterial
DESIGN LOAD	10 Ton
R VALUE	12
20 YR. WEAR	1,657,000
20 YR. CEASLS	3,300,000
NO. OF TRAFFIC LANES	2
NO. OF PARKING LANES	2
ADT (PRESENT) 2010	6400
ADT (FUTURE) 2030	8320

TYPICAL PLAN SCALE
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED:



TRAFFIC CONTROL

ALL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES SHALL CONFORM TO LATEST EDITION OF THE MINNESOTA MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, INCLUDING THE LATEST FIELD MANUAL FOR TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL LAYOUTS.

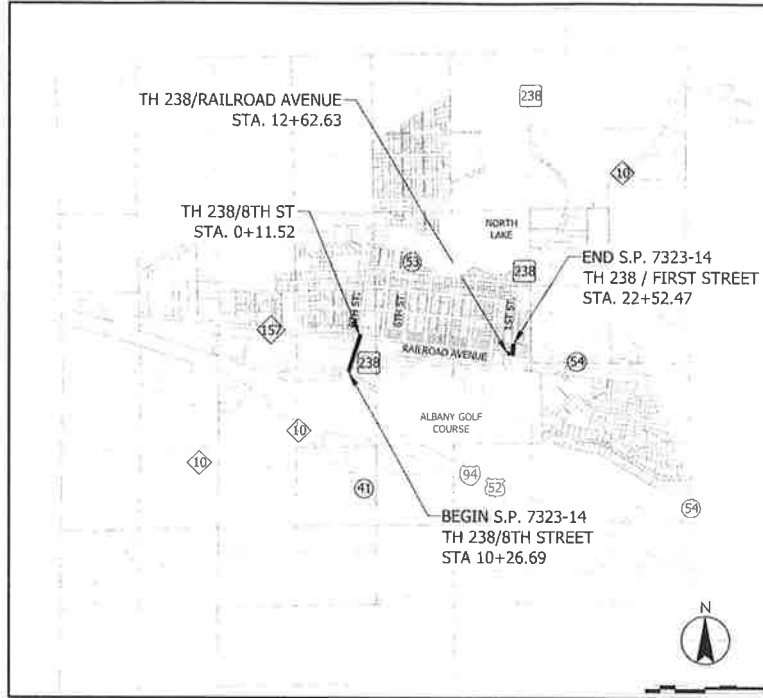
CONTRACTOR TO CONTACT "GOPHER STATE ONE CALL" FOR UTILITY LOCATIONS.

PROJECT LOCATION



CITY: ALBANY
COUNTY: STEARNS
DISTRICT: #3 BAXTER

THE UTILITY QUALITY LEVELS IN THIS PLAN WERE DETERMINED ACCORDING TO THE GUIDELINES OF C/ASCE 38-02, ENTITLED "STANDARD GUIDELINES FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPICTION OF EXISTING SUBSURFACE UTILITY DATA."



AGREEMENT NO. 1031434
CITY OF ALBANY
SP 7323-14 (TH 238 = 238)
STATE FUNDS
DISTRICT 3 (BAXTER)

ROAD DESIGNATORS

- INTERSTATE TRUNK HIGHWAY (94)
- U.S. NUMBERED TRUNK HIGHWAY (52)
- STATE NUMBERED TRUNK HIGHWAY (238)
- COUNTY STATE AID HIGHWAY (53, 41)
- COUNTY ROAD (10)

DESIGN SPEED FOR ROADWAY
BASED ON 30MPH STOPPING SIGHT
DISTANCE:
HEIGHT OF EYE = 3.5 FT
HEIGHT OF OBJECT = 0.5 FT

S.P. 7323-14 (TH 238 = 2)

RESOLUTION 2022-05
RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS
AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
1st Street (TH 238) Intersection and Utility Improvements

WHEREAS, Stantec Consulting Services Inc, St. Cloud, MN, the engineer for the City of Albany, Minnesota (the "City") has prepared the final plans and specifications for the 1st Street (TH 238) Intersection and Utility Improvements (the "Improvement").

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, as follows:

1. Such plans and specifications are hereby approved and are placed on file in the office of the Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer.
2. The Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer is hereby directed to publish an advertisement for bids in the official newspaper and in a recognized industry trade journal, on the Improvement to be given in substantially the form set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto.
3. The advertisement shall be published at least once, not less than three weeks before the date set for opening of bids.

Adopted by the City Council this 16th day of February 2022.

Tom Kasner, Mayor

Tom Schneider, Clerk/Adm.

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EXHIBIT A

**NOTICE OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
FOR CITY OF ALBANY, MINNESOTA**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council (the "City Council") of the City of Albany, Minnesota (the "City"), will receive electronic bids until 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, March 16th, 2022, at which time they will be publicly opened and tabulated for consideration by the City Council at a subsequent meeting, for the making of the following improvement under Minnesota Statutes, Section 429:

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| General nature of improvement: | Installation of underground utilities, grading and bituminous street construction. |
| Proposal Forms: | All bids shall be made in the form prescribed by the City and shall be accompanied by a cash deposit, cashier's check, bid bond or certified check payable to the order of the City for not less than 5 (five) percent of the amount bid. |
| Rejection of bids: | The City Council reserves the right to reject all bids. |
| Plans and Specifications: | Digital copies of the plans and specifications will be available for download and purchase at www.questcdn.com and will be available for viewing at City Hall or at the office of Stantec Consulting Services Inc, 3717 23 rd Street South, St. Cloud, MN. |

Tom Schneider
Clerk/Adm.

Published in the Star Post on February 23^d, 2022 and March 2nd 2022.

To:	Mr. Tom Schneider and Albany City Council City of Albany	From:	Jeremy Mathiasen St. Cloud Office
File:	193801690	Date:	February 9, 2022

Reference: Engineering Update for the 2/16/22 Council Meeting

2021 Capital Improvement Project

Construction work is on hold until the spring of 2022. Project record plan work is continuing.

Golfview Lift Station Improvements

Materials and equipment have been ordered. The Work will begin in early Spring.

2022 Capital Improvement Project

The project bid date is February 16th. We will review bids in advance of your Wednesday meeting and be prepared to award the bids if the information is in order. We have many plan holders and the interest level is high for the project.

1st Street/TH 238 Improvements

We have completed the 90% review comments received from MnDOT. On Wednesday we'd like to have the council consider the resolution to approve plans and specifications and authorize the advertisement for bids. A march 16th bid date is the current target.

Feel free to contact me at any time with project related questions.

Jeremy.mathiasen@stantec.com 320.266.5232



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Albany, Minnesota 56307

RESOLUTION 2022-07
APPROVING MINNESOTA
LAWFUL GAMBLING EXEMPT PERMIT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Albany FFA Alumni has filed a Minnesota Lawful Gambling LG 220 application for an Exempt Permit to conduct a raffle at the Albany High School, 30 Forest Avenue, Albany, MN: and

WHEREAS, the City Council, of the City of Albany, County of Stearns, State of Minnesota, has reviewed the application; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that appropriate circumstances exist; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALBANY, COUNTY OF STEARNS, STATE OF MINNESOTA, does hereby waive the 30-day waiting period and approves the LG220 application for Exempt Permit Application at the Albany High School, 30 Forest Avenue, Albany, MN for the Albany FFA Alumni to be held on October 7, 2022.

Adopted by the City Council this 16th day of February, 2022.

Tom Kasner, Mayor


Tom Schneider, Clerk/Adm.

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**MANAGEMENT
AND BUDGET**

DATE: February 10, 2022

TO: Governor Tim Walz
Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan

FROM: Jim Schowalter, Commissioner 

SUBJECT: January Revenue Review

Net general fund revenues totaled \$3.240 billion in January, \$649 million (25.0 percent) more than forecast. Net receipts from the corporate, sales, and other taxes were above the forecast, while net individual income tax receipts were lower than forecast. For fiscal year 2022, year to date receipts are now \$16.163 billion, \$1.482 billion (10.1 percent) more than forecast. However, a substantial portion of December and January individual and corporate tax collections are Pass-Through Entity Tax (PTE) estimated payments that will be credited against business owners' individual income tax liability for TY 2021, lowering income tax final payments and raising refunds in CY 2022. We estimate that about \$1.2 billion of the fiscal-year-to-date overall variance arises from the PTE timing shift.

Monthly Receipts for January 2022

(\$ in millions)	November 2021 Forecast	Actual	\$ Difference
Individual Income Tax	\$1,617	\$1,575	\$(42)
General Sales Tax	666	668	2
Corporate Franchise Tax	80	722	642
Other Revenues	229	275	46
Total Revenues¹	\$2,592	\$3,240	\$649

1. Totals may not add due to rounding.

All results are preliminary and subject to revision. Monthly revenue variances should be interpreted with great caution. Wide swings in variances may be caused by variations in the rate at which receipts are received and processed and differences in the rate at which refunds are issued. Other revenues often include unallocated accounts receivable which will be added to receipts for the appropriate tax when identified. A more detailed report covering the January, February, and March receipts will be issued as part of Minnesota Management and Budget's *April Revenue and Economic Update*.

cc: Senator Jeremy Miller, Majority Leader
 Senator Melisa Lopez Franzen, Minority Leader
 Representative Melissa Hortman, Speaker of the House
 Representative Ryan Winkler, Majority Leader
 Representative Kurt Daudt, Minority Leader