TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Administrator Ron Johnson

SUBJECT: Approve Cost for Soil Borings

DATE: July 1, 2015

BACKGROUND

The Public Works Commission has discussed the water and sewer line freeze-ups at the Hermanson residence (107 1st St N) that have taken place over the past several years including this past winter, and have asked staff to look into options to remedy this continuing issue.

Installation, and potential location, of new water and/or sewer service lines to the house were discussed at the May Commission meeting. The location of potential new service lines could be from TH 19, from the boulevard on 1st St N to the main(s) on Main Street, or through the alley behind 107 1st St N to Main Street. Conducting a Gopher State One-Call would define the utilities in the boulevard, and, further, soil borings would determine the presence of, and depth of, rock in the boulevard to determine the feasibility of installation in the boulevard. Greg Anderson, SEH, called for proposals for conducting soil borings subsequent to having the boulevard marked for utilities and suggests that the cost of soil borings not exceed \$3,890.

Conducting soil borings is a practical step to take as the results of the soil borings should assist in determining a potential recommendation for any solutions to this ongoing problem.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Approve soil borings at the 107 1st St N location at a maximum cost of \$3,890.

Attachment(s): N/Ad