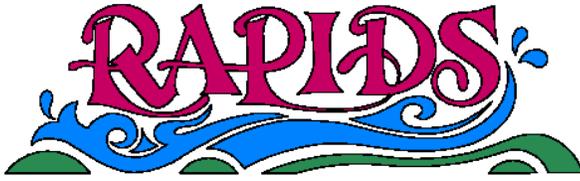


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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

### Public Works Committee/

Thad Kubisiak, Chairperson

Ryan Austin, Secretary

Matt Zacher

Mayor Blaser

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Public Works Committee to be held in the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room at City Hall, 444 West Grand Ave, Wisconsin Rapids and via remote videoconferencing at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, June 8, 2021.

**The public may listen to the meeting by calling 1-312-626-6799 Access code: 873 9971 0782 #.** The meeting will also be streamed LIVE on the City of Wisconsin Rapids Facebook page. This meeting is also available after its conclusion on the City's Facebook page and Community Media's YouTube page, which can be accessed at [www.wr-cm.org](http://www.wr-cm.org). If a member of the public wishes to submit comments to the Public Works Committee regarding an agenda item and does not wish to be present in person, please contact Committee chair Thad Kubisiak via email at [tkubisiak@wirapids.org](mailto:tkubisiak@wirapids.org) before the meeting.

### Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Transportation Utility Model Discussion: Discuss and act on the development of a set of questions to submit to Ehlers, for possible answers by the June 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Council meeting.
3. Discuss the 8<sup>th</sup> St S. storm sewer repair project bidding and construction schedule.
4. Adjourn.

Thad Kubisiak, Chairperson

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## Public Works Committee

**Date of Request: 6/3/2021**

**Requestor: Joe Eichstadt, City Engineer**

**Request/Referral:** Review the 8<sup>th</sup> St Culvert Rehabilitation project and determine the preferred contractor selection process to expedite the bid award process.

**Background information:** The condition of the culvert crossing 8<sup>th</sup> St at One Mile Creek (just south of Grove Ave) has been under speculation since 2020 after a pothole developed over top of the culvert pipe on private property adjacent to work within the ROW that had occurred by WE Energies. The same culvert material exists within the 8<sup>th</sup> St ROW, and was therefore inspected and scheduled for repair in 2021. In the past few weeks, the condition of the pothole adjacent to the ROW has grown dramatically in size and may be undermining the concrete pavement on 8<sup>th</sup> St.

Due to this significant change, the Engineering Department has fast-tracked the bid letting of this project. Over the past two weeks, the plans have been finalized, the necessary DNR permits have been obtained and we are scheduled to bid the project on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 with a bid opening date of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. This provides approximately 2 weeks for contractors to compile bid pricing.

Under usual practice, the bid tabs would be presented to the July 6 public works committee at the regular meeting and action taken at the regular July 20 Common Council to authorize a notice to proceed would . Work would then likely commence in August.

Due to the recent changes and appearance of an emergent condition, construction work needs to begin as quickly as possible. If we can expedite the bid award and notice to proceed process to facilitate a mid-July to end of July start we may avoid further deterioration and damage to both private and public property.

Public Works staff will monitor the condition of the concrete and area above the culvert pipe to determine if there are any visual or auditory changes to the condition, and if necessary, install traffic control or apply other temporary repairs to protect the traveling public and the infrastructure.

**Options available:**

1. Hold a special Public Works and Common Council Meeting on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 to review the bids and select the qualified, low bidder.
2. Authorize staff, under the direction of the Mayor, to review and award the bid to the qualified, low bidder.

**Action you are requesting the committee take:** Staff are requesting that action be taken on either option presented.

**How will the item be financed?** The project will be funded through the Stormwater Utility