

Business Item

Environment Committee



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Forest Lake Interceptor 7029 Rehabilitation Real Estate Property Acquisition and Condemnation

District(s), Member(s):	District 11, Dr. Gail Cederberg
Policy/Legal Reference:	Policy FM 9-1, Real Estate Policy; Policy FM 14-2, Expenditures for the Procurements of Goods, Services, and Real Estate; Minn. Stat. §473.504
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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt Resolution 2025-10 authorizing the acquisition and condemnation of real estate property for the Forest Lake Interceptor 7029 Rehabilitation, ES Project No. 808603.

Background

Condition assessment of this interceptor determined the need for a project based on the overall poor condition of the existing 36" reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) originally constructed in 1971. A condition assessment was performed on this pipe in 2018 and found to be in poor condition. To complete the rehabilitation, the Council will need to obtain temporary easements adjacent to 10 private property parcels for construction access and working space.

Rationale

Land acquisition is necessary for the implementation of this project. This action delegates authority to staff to acquire property for the project and to use the condemnation process if necessary to ensure timely project delivery.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive outcome of Stewardship. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain and restore existing wastewater infrastructure, which protects the region's natural resources.

Funding

Project 808603 is included in the 8086 family of projects in the 2025 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

Small Business Inclusion

There is no direct impact to small businesses with this action.