RESOLUTION NO. 2734

WHEREAS, the engineer's report and financial investigation report have been prepared for 36th Avenue and 37th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the engineer's report and financial investigation report have been received by and meet with the Albany City Council's approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany Cfty Council hereby directs that a public hearing be scheduled for December 9, 1987 at 7:15 p.m. to consider the proposed project 36th Avenue and 37th Avenue Sanitary Sewer and that notices of the public hearing be in compliance with AMC Section 15.04.060.

DATED THIS 18th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1987.


ATTEST:


INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM
Public Works Department
Engineering/Utilities Division

T0: Albany City Council
VIA: Bill Barrons, City Manager
FROM: John Joyce, P.E., Public Works Director
DATE: November 12, 1987, for November 18, 1987 City Council Meeting
SUBJECT: Engineer's Report for 36 th and 37 th Avenues Sanitary Sewer Extensions (SS-87-4).

## Description of Project

This project is in response to a sanitary survey initiated by the Linn County Department of Health Services. The project was initiated upon acceptance of a petition by 88 percent of the affected residents, to form a Local Improvement District (L.I.D.) and construct a wastewater collections system servicing 36th and 37th Avenues. (See attached EXHIBIT A) The petition was submitted to the City Council on June 10, 1987, and the Council directed staff to prepare an Engineer's Report and Financial Investigation.

The project consists of approximately 436 linear feet of 6 -inch sanitary sewer pipe, 2562 linear feet of 8 -inch diameter sanitary sewer pipe which is connected to the existing sanitary sewer system on Umatilla Street, and 1140 linear feet of 4 -inch diameter service line constructed from the 8 -inch sewer line to the property lines for individual tax lots.

Permanent utility easements will be required as indicated on EXHIBIT A. The City will acquire these easements during the final design phase of the project.

## Summary of Estimated Costs

This is a preliminary cost estimate of construction costs based on a preliminary design of the project area. It is not a definitive cost breakdown of the projects cost.

| A. Estimated Construction Costs | $\$ 142,509$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| B. $10 \%$ Construction Contingencies | 14,250 |
| C. Total Estimated Construction Costs | $\$ 156,759$ |
| D. |  |

## Method of Assessment

It is recommended that the cost of this project be assessed to the benefitting properties on per benefit basis. Each dwelling unit or vacant tax lot, regardless of size, is assigned one benefit. A benefit is defined as "a service provided". Therefore, a parcel that contains one home is assigned one benefit. A parcel that contains two dwelling units, such as two homes or a duplex, is assigned two benefits, and a vacant tax lot that fronts the property is assigned one benefit. The estimated preliminary assessment cost per benefit is:

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\$ 180,272 \text { divided by } 52 \text { benefits }-\$ 3467 \text { per benefit }
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When an existing vacant lot is developed or when benefits are added to a developed property, an in-lieu-of assessment fee is charged for each benefit constructed and connects to the public sanitary sewer.

## Total Cost Per Benefit

The estimated assessment per benefit presented herein is an approximation based on the preliminary cost estimates. The actual assessment will be compiled based on the total construction project cost at the time of completion.

It is estimated that each benefit will be assessed approximately $\$ 3467$ for construction of the entire main sewer system within the public right-of-way and easement areas. This assessment also includes the construction of private sewer laterals to the nearest property line of each tax lot, to a location as directed by the property owner. The cost and construction of the service line from the property line to the dwelling unit and the abandonment of the existing septic system, will be the responsibility of the property owner. In addition, an $\$ 800$ connection fee is charged by the City on a per dwelling unit basis. These costs are not include in the assessment cost.

Preliminary indications show that the dwellings on the indicated tax lots, (see EXHIBIT A) are too low in elevation to use the proposed gravity system. As a result, these property owners will be required to use a grinder pump system to lift their sewage into the public sewer main. As a part of the construction project, these grinder pumps will be provided to those property owners who require them. However, the cost of installing the pump and all related materials required for installation of the pump system from the property line to the dwelling, will be the responsibility of the property owner.

## Methods of Assessment Payment

The owner or contract buyer of the property will have three options for paying the assessment: (1) They may pay the amount of the assessment in full within ten (10) days; (2) They may (Bancroft) bond the assessment; or 3) They may defer the payment if they meet the requirements.

If they elect to (Bancroft) bond the assessment, they can extend their payments over a ten-year period. Through this process, they will pay for the amount of the assessment, plus interest, in twenty (20), semi-annual payments or 120 monthly payments. The interest rate is currently approximately 12\%. However this rate can be changed by the City Council.

Some property owners may qualify for a third option of paying the assessment. The Oregon Deferral Program for Senior Citizens allows Oregon homeowners age 62 and older (who qualify) to defer payments on assessments against their property. If the property owner qualifies for the deferral program, the State of Oregon will make the installment payments for them. The payments will be charged to an account that establishes a lien against the property. The money, plus interest, must be paid back when the property owner moves, or otherwise change title to the property. The interest rate for this deferral program is six (6\%) percent per year.

More detailed information will be provided to the property owners at the time when the project has been completed and total construction costs have been compiled and the final assessment is determined and adopted by the City Council.

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council accept this Engineer's Report and set a public hearing date to hear any objections or support for the project.

Respectfully submitted,


## Financial Report: 36th and 37th Avenue SS

## Section 2

Attach map showing vacant lots and undeveloped property.
If LID is a new subdivision - attach map identifying vacant lots and undeveloped property.

## Section 3

Number of similar lots and property held by the City through foreclosure.
50 lots with improvements.
2 lots unimproved.
It is assumed that the two unimproved lots will be combined with the adjoining lots into a single lot.

The City has no property, with improvements, that were obtained through foreclosure.

## Section 4

Delinquency rate of assessments and taxes in the area.
There are no known City assessments against these properties.

Section 5
Real estate value trends in the area.
Real estate values in this proposed LID have been stable the past five years. The neighborhood is nearly completely developed.

Section 6
Tax levy trends and potential financial impact on Improvement District.
Tax levies have increased moderately over the past several years. The estimated assessment is well within the allowable Bancroft limits.

## Section 7

Does the project conform to the City Comprehensive Plan? If no explain:
Yes.

## Section 8

Status of City's debt.
G.O. debt - $\$ 11,710,000$ or $\$ 420$ per capita.

Revenue bond debt - $\$ 3,960,000$ or $\$ 142$ per capita.
Bancroft debt - $\$ 3,165,000$ or $\$ 113$ per capita.
G.O. Bancroft debt limit for the City is $\$ 19,410,000$.

Total current G. 0 . debt is $\$ 14,875,000$
Available $\quad \$ 4,535,000$

## Section 9

Estimated cost of financing.
Estimated cost of the improvement is $\$ 211,866$. It is assumed that most of the property owners will request Bancrofting over a 10 -year period. This will require the sale of Bancroft (Improvement) bonds. Bond interest rate would be approximately $8.5 \%$ - cost to property owner would be $10.5 \%$.

Section 10
General credit worthiness of property owners within the LID.
The value of the improved property and the stability of the neighborhood make this a good credit risk for City financing.
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