

# **CITY OF HUGO MINNESOTA PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Assessments 2023 Birch Tree Ponds Area Street Improvements Project**

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that the City Council will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 16, 2023, to consider and possibly adopt, the proposed assessment against abutting property for the 2023 Birch Tree Ponds Area Street Improvements Project. Adoption by the City Council of the proposed assessment may occur at the hearing.

The proposed assessment roll is on file for public inspection at the City Clerk's office. The total amount of the proposed assessment is \$672,900.00. Such assessment is proposed to be payable in equal annual installments extending over a period of 10 years, the first of the installments to be payable on or before the first Monday in January, 2024, and will bear interest at the rate of 5.25% per annum from the date of the adoption of the assessment resolution. To the first installment shall be added interest on the entire assessment from the date of the assessment resolution until December 31, 2024. To each subsequent installment when due shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments.

A property owner may at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the county auditor, pay the entire assessment on such property, with interest accrued to the date of payment, to the City of Hugo. No interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid within 30 days from adoption of this assessment. A property owner may at any time thereafter, pay to the City of Hugo the entire amount of the assessment remaining unpaid, with interest accrued to December 31 of the year in which such payment is made. Such payment must be made before November 15 or interest will be charged through December 31 of the succeeding year. If a property owner decides not to prepay the assessment before the date given above the rate of interest that will apply is 5.25% per year. The right to partially prepay the assessment is not available.

Written or oral objections will be considered at the meeting. No appeal may be taken as to the amount of an assessment unless a written objection signed by the affected property owner is filed with the City Clerk prior to the assessment hearing or presented to the presiding officer at the hearing. The City Council may upon such notice consider any objection to the amount of a proposed individual assessment at an adjourned meeting upon such further notice to the affected property owners as it deems advisable.

An owner may appeal an assessment to district court pursuant to Minn. Stat. 429.081 by serving notice of the appeal upon the Mayor or City Clerk within 30 days after the adoption of the assessment and filing such notice with the district court within ten days after service upon the Mayor or City Clerk.

Under Minn. Stat. 435.193 to 435.195, the City Council may, in its discretion, defer the payment of this special assessment for any homestead property owned by a person 65 years of age or older for whom it would be a hardship to make the payments. When deferment of the special assessment has been granted and is terminated for any reason provided in that law, all amounts accumulated plus applicable interest become due. Any assessed property owner meeting the requirements of this law and the resolution adopted under it may, within 30 days of the adoption of the assessment, apply to the City Clerk for the prescribed form for such deferral of payment of this special assessment on his property.

Dated this 18th day of September, 2023.

**BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Michele Lindau, City Clerk  
City of Hugo  
Washington County, Minnesota