

To: **Mayor and City Council**  
Through: **Nathan Burkett, City Manager**  
From: **Ross Beckwith, Public Works & Parks Director/City Engineer**  
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## **Joint Powers Agreement with Dakota County for the Wentworth Avenue Median**

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### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

As a condition of the Roers development at the corner of Wentworth Avenue and Robert Street, a raised median needs to be constructed along Wentworth Avenue from Livingston Avenue to Robert Street. This is required for traffic safety as the Wentworth Avenue access will be right-in/right-out only with the increase in traffic so close to Robert Street.

Dakota County performed the median design and will add it to one of their larger construction contracts this summer.

A Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) between the City and Dakota County is required to define cost sharing and agency roles for the installation of this median. The City Attorney has reviewed the JPA and recommends approval. The County will be the lead agency on this project.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Per the attached Joint Powers Agreement with Dakota County, the cost of the median design and construction will be split 50/50 between the City and County. The developer will cover the City's share. The total estimated cost is \$30,000.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that City Council approve a Joint Powers Agreement with Dakota County for the Wentworth Avenue median.

Attachment: JPA with Dakota County for the Wentworth Avenue median.