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105TH AVENUE LANDSCAPING

In 2017, the City Council contracted with WSB to create a landscape plan for the 105th Avenue reconstruction project. Council requested that the plan be brought back to them for review and discussion at a future Council Workshop meeting.

In developing the design of the landscape plan, staff first met internally with Public Works, Planning, and Engineering Departments to discuss landscaping, lighting, irrigation, and future responsibility of short/long term maintenance. The location and plant types were based on the other maintenance activities that will occur along the corridor, i.e. plowing/salting.

Staff also met with National Sports Center staff to review the proposed landscaping on 105th Avenue. NSC was given the opportunity to add any elements to the plan, at their cost, that would tie the two sides of their facility and the roadway together to give the entire area a continuous cohesive campus feel and look. At this time, the NSC is not ready to add elements, but wanted to know if future elements might be added, specifically within the roundabouts. During this meeting there was also discussion concerning the NSC's process of renaming all of the fields within their campus. They are still working on this and will coordinate with the city once a naming system is decided. The 105th Avenue project will place temporary field directional signage based on the NSC's current naming system and continue to work with the NSC once they have their new system in place.

The estimated cost based on this landscape plan is \$244,000. The landscaping, along with the costs for lighting and irrigation for the landscaping, is still within the 105th Avenue project budget.

Review the elements of the landscape plan layout, plantings, and maintenance.