



# Public Works Utility Operations Department

**DATE:** July 20, 2021  
**FROM:** Michelle Klose, Public Works Utility Water Director  
**ITEM:** Request approval to enter into sanitary sewer connection contract negotiations with the City of Lincoln

**REQUEST:**

Request approval to enter into a sanitary sewer connection contract negotiations with the City of Lincoln.

Please place this item on the July 27, 2021 City Commission meeting agenda.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The City of Lincoln completed a sanitary sewer facility plan which identified that regionalization with Bismarck was the preferred alternative to address its treatment needs. Attached is a request from the City of Lincoln to enter into negotiations with the City of Bismarck for sanitary sewer services.

**RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION:**

Permission to enter into contract negotiations with the City of Lincoln for sanitary sewer services.

**STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Michelle Klose, Director of Utility Operations, 355-1700, [mklose@bismarcknd.gov](mailto:mklose@bismarcknd.gov)

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13 July 2021

City of Bismarck – Public Works  
Attn: Michelle Klose, PE – Director Utility Operations  
PO Box 5503  
Bismarck, ND 58506-5503

RE: Sanitary Sewer Connection Request

Dear Ms. Klose:

The City of Lincoln has completed an amendment to our Sanitary Sewer Facility Plan that identifies regionalization with Bismarck as the preferred alternative for addressing our treatment needs. Please let this letter serve as Lincoln's request to Bismarck to consider this alternative and to enter into negotiations with us to formulate an agreement to this end. Lincoln's City Council has approved this alternative as the preferred alternative and desires to pursue an agreement with the city of Bismarck for it.

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) has reviewed our amended facility plan which identifies regionalization as the preferred alternative and has no comments on it at this time. Their approval is pending a favorable cultural resource survey so they can publish a CatEX for the project. On 13 May 2021 NDDEQ sent an email stating they have reviewed and have no comments at this time but are waiting for the cultural resource survey.

Please process this request through your appropriate channels and let me know if you need anything else from me or from the City of Lincoln on this.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (701) 955-3153.

Mountain Plains, LLC



Kevin G. Nelson, PE, PLS  
City Engineer

CC: Gerald Wise – Mayor, City of Lincoln