



MEMORANDUM

Date: August 10, 2026
To: Planning and Development Committee
Members of City Council
From: Timothy Hinkens, P.E., City Engineer
Re: **Memo: Grant Award Acceptance (IEPA – Beverly Park Floodplain Connection)**

In alignment with the City's stormwater master planning strategies of improving water quality and capacity by replacing failing concrete drainageway channels with a natural streambed, City staff identified the Beverly Park Floodplain Connection project as most beneficial to receive grant funding. City Staff applied for this project to receive assistance through the Green Infrastructure Grant Opportunities (GIGO) Program through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

Of a statewide call for projects, only five were selected. The Beverly Park Floodplain Connection was selected to receive **\$613,551.00** (65%) of grant funds for the project. The City would match **\$333,384.00** of local CIP funds.

The project's scope is to replace the failing tributary to the North Fork of Kent Creek concrete channel with a natural, stabilized streambed using stone and native planting. The project length will span the existing tributary from Kent Creek north to Gilbert Avenue in the Beverly Park neighborhood.

Please consider the attached resolution authorizing the acceptance of the grant award. Please contact Timothy Hinkens, City Engineer, with any questions.