

RESOLUTION NO. 2026

COUNCIL MEMBER ---- INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BLAIR TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE HIGHWAY 75 PUMP STATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Blair is undertaking improvements to its water infrastructure as part of an ongoing water system expansion and realignment of pressure zones; and

WHEREAS, City staff have been working with HDR Engineering, Inc. and a private development partner on a proposed pump station site located south of the Blair Family YMCA; and

WHEREAS, the plans and specifications for the Highway 75 Pump Station Project have been completed and are ready for bid solicitation; and

WHEREAS, upon completion, the Highway 75 Pump Station will represent the second phase of the City's water expansion project, will assist in supplying the new elevated water tower, and will also support service to the rural water district; and

WHEREAS, the engineer's opinion of probable cost for the project is estimated at \$2,745,000.00; and

WHEREAS, a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan application is pending, subject to completion of the City's final audit for the prior fiscal year, with anticipated loan terms of 1.5 percent interest for 30 years, which would also include the Black Elk Project; and

WHEREAS, the City has reached a preliminary agreement to take on certain improvements, including paving of Maple Drive and construction of a water main, in exchange for property needed to construct the pump station, subject to final project conditions; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends authorization to solicit bids, with final bid award and authorization to proceed to be brought before the City Council at a later date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLAIR, NEBRASKA that City staff is hereby authorized to advertise for and solicit bids for construction of the Highway 75 Pump Station Project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications. The estimated project cost is \$2,745,000.00; however, no bid shall be awarded and no work authorized without subsequent City Council approval. Project funding is anticipated to be financed through a State Revolving Fund loan, subject to loan approval and final financing terms.

COUNCIL MEMBER ----- MOVED THAT THE RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED AS READ, WHICH SAID MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ----K. UPON ROLL CALL, COUNCIL MEMBERS ----- VOTING “AYE” AND COUNCIL MEMBERS ---- VOTING ‘NAY,” THE MAYOR DECLARED THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 12TH DAY OF MAY 2026.

CITY OF BLAIR, NEBRASKA

BY _____
MELINDA K. RUMP, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BRENDA WHEELER, CITY CLERK

(SEAL)

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
):ss:
WASHINGTON COUNTY)

BRENDA WHEELER, hereby certifies that she is the duly appointed, qualified, and acting City Clerk of the City of Blair, Nebraska, and that the above and foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of said City held on the 12th day of May, 2026.

BRENDA WHEELER, CITY CLERK