STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

June 28, 2024

To: Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (SMC)
From: Mike Prusila, Planning Supervisor
RE: DCEO Round 2 Pre-Award Intergovernmental Agreement with the Skokie Consolidated Drainage
         District for the Skokie River Channel Improvements Project Phase 3

Action Requested: Approval Pending Legal Review

SMC has received application materials for a $30 million grant from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) for regional stormwater projects. As part of the application, DCEO has requested intergovernmental agreements (IGAs) with SMC's local project sponsors. Because the final terms and conditions of the $30 million grant agreement between SMC and DCEO are unknown, SMC is entering into Pre-Award IGAs with all DCEO Round 2 local sponsors in advance of submitting its application materials. Pre-Award IGAs outline the general scope of the project, anticipated project roles and responsibilities of the local partner and SMC, the anticipated amounts of DCEO funding to be reimbursed to the local sponsor and Project Expense Match due to SMC and identify the intent of both parties to enter into a subsequent agreement once the terms and conditions of the DCEO funding agreement are known. Importantly, the Pre-Award IGA does not create a financial obligation for either party.

The Skokie River Channel Improvements Phase 3 Project will stabilize both streambanks along approximately 2,100 feet of the channel of the Skokie River at Danny Cunniff Park in Highland Park, Illinois. The project will employ rock, gabion and sheetpile stabilization measures and will also include grading and restoration of the adjacent corridors.

Staff have met with the Skokie Consolidated Drainage District regarding this project and Pre-Award IGA. The Pre-Award IGA and location map are attached.

Please contact Mike Prusila at 847-377-7700 or mprusila@lakecountyil.gov if you have any questions.