

NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO COMMENCE A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND WHETHER TO ACQUIRE AGRICULTURAL LAND FOR THE PROJECT

- 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT.** The project, tentatively identified as the Fremont Buried Channel Aquifer Project ("the project" or "project"), is described as follows:

The project, referred to as the Fremont Buried Channel Well project, involves the construction of wells to the Fremont Buried Channel Aquifer located approximately six miles west of the City. The general location of the wells would be along 190th Street approximately one-half mile to the east of 355th Avenue. The project includes the initial construction of two Fremont Channel Wells with space for two future wells. The project includes approximately six miles of 16-inch raw water transmission main extending from the well field easterly along the right-of-way of 190th Street to the City limits and continuing east on Ferguson Street to the water treatment plant.

The project involves the acquisition of 8 to 10 acres of property at one of three sites to accommodate the wells. The property acquisition is to accommodate the initial construction of two wells and the construction of two future wells while meeting the 200-foot legal control zone requirement of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above identified owners of agricultural land that the Shenandoah City Council will consider authorizing the commencement of the project, which may require acquisition of agricultural land.

2. PRIVATE PROPERTY MAY BE ACQUIRED BY PURCHASE OR CONDEMNATION.

If the project is approved by the City Council of the City of Shenandoah, Iowa, then the City will be required to acquire property for the project improvements. Upon review of the Fremont County property records, it appears that agricultural land owned by the above identified persons may have to be acquired in whole or in part for the project. The City will attempt to purchase the required agricultural land by good faith negotiations, and it may condemn those properties which it is unable to purchase. The proposed location of the public improvement comprising the project is shown on a conceptual drawing of the project which is now on file in the office of the City Clerk located at City Hall, 500 West Clarinda Ave, Shenandoah, IA, and is available for public inspection.

3. PROCESS TO DECIDE WHETHER TO PROCEED WITH THE PROJECT AND WHETHER TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY; ACTION REQUIRED TO PROCEED WITH PROJECT; OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC INPUT.

In making the decision to proceed with the project and to authorize the acquisition of property interests, the City is required to hold a public hearing. The City shall conduct a public hearing before the City Council of the City of Shenandoah, Iowa in the in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 500 West Clarinda Ave, Shenandoah, Iowa, at 6:00 P.M. on May 14, 2024, for the purpose of giving persons interested in the proposed project the opportunity to present their views regarding the project, and regarding the proposed acquisition of easement interests for the project. In order for the City to proceed with the above described project and commence the acquisition of property interests for the project, the City will be required to approve the project and authorize acquisition of private property interests for the project by resolution. The City is scheduled to consider adoption of the resolution initiating the above described project following the public hearing.

If the project is approved by the City, an appraiser retained by the City will determine the compensation to be paid for property or property interests that are needed for the project. The City will offer no less than the appraised value and will attempt to purchase only the needed property by good faith negotiations. If the City is unable to acquire property interests needed for the project by negotiation, the City will acquire those interests by condemnation.

5. CONTACT PERSON.

Persons desiring further information regarding the proposed public improvement project or the impact on their property identified above may contact:

Name of Contact Person:	A.J. Lyman, City Administrator
Address of Contact Person:	City of Shenandoah, Iowa 500 West Clarinda PO Box 338 Shenandoah, Iowa 51601
Telephone # of Contact Person:	712-246-4411

This Notice is given by authority of the City Council of the City of Shenandoah, Iowa.