

CITY OF ALCESTER

3RD ANNUAL OPEN FORUM NIGHT

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 7TH, 2026

MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

- Lisa Hodgson, Mayor
4-year term started 5/1/25
- Ward I Alder(wo)man
 - Nick Wieseler
4-year term started 5/1/25
 - Kirsten Tschida
Appointed 6/2/25
- Ward II Alderman
 - Brian Johnson
3-year term started 5/1/25
 - Other Seat Vacant
1-year appointment or 4-year term
- Ward III Alderwomen
 - Kendra Hatle
3-year term started 5/1/24
 - Marvie Swanson
Appointed 5/5/25

CITY STAFF

- Dave Hodgson - Finance Officer
- Kristi Burke- Deputy Finance Officer
- Lonnie Johnson - Superintendent of Public Works
- Tyler Eisma - Assistant Superintendent of Public Works
- Paige German – Public Library Director
- Kelsey Erickson – Clubhouse Grille Manager
- Kari Kingma – Morningside Event Center Manager

CHANGES IN SD ELECTION LAWS

- Effective Jan 1, 2026 all Municipal elections to be held either be held during the June Primary or November General Election per SDCL 9-13-1
- 2026 Election will be held in conjunction with County and School during the June Primary Election on Tuesday June 2nd 2026 at the Alcester City Office for all open Alderman seats
- Polls are open from 7am until 7pm on voting day
- Voter Registration – forms can be obtained at the City Office but must be returned to the Union County Auditor's Office
 - Must be returned no later than May 18th 2026 (no later than 15 days prior to election date)
- 2026 Vacancies
 - Ward I – 2-year term
 - Ward II – 3-year term
 - Ward III – 3-year term



2025

YEAR IN REVIEW

2025 FINANCIAL REVIEW COMPARED TO 2024

- Overall Revenue
 - 2024 - \$2,488,087
 - 2025 - \$3,191,662
- Sales Tax Revenue
 - 2024 - \$271,213 vs \$280,000 projected
 - 2025 - \$269,229 vs \$276,000 projected
 - Approximately 0.73% decrease
- Community Center Revenue
 - 2024 - \$509,049.88
 - 2025 - \$523,760.27
- Municipal Golf Course
 - 2024 - \$128,776.79 vs \$67,100 projected
 - 2025 - \$141,948.86 vs \$94,200 projected

Overall Expenses

2024 - \$2,245,997

2025 - \$2,812,194

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CONSTRUCTION



20-year-old Plant finished major upgrades

- ✓ New Aeration Basin
- ✓ Pump and Electrical Upgrades
- ✓ Disinfection system replacements
- ✓ Building enhancements



SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS



Worked with Banner engineering team to best utilize funding available to get the most repairs completed in 2026 as possible.

Repair plan pending bid results

- ✓ 9 open cut point repairs
- ✓ CIPP to all 6 blocks of Ofstad
- ✓ Replace line on Park Ave

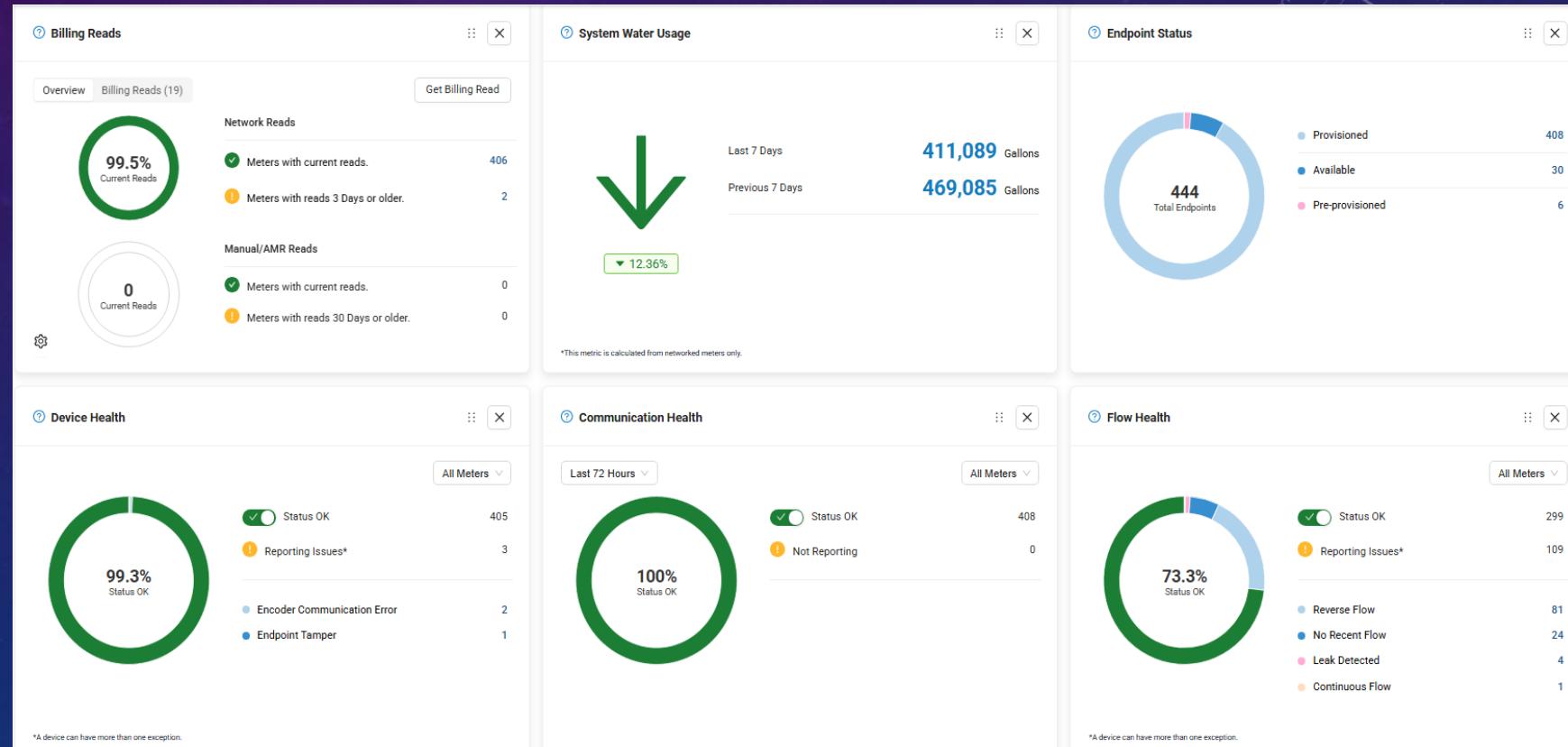
- ✓ Cleaned all sewer lines
- ✓ Televised all sewer lines





WATER METER UPGRADE PROJECT

- Replaced old meters in nearly all homes and businesses – 3 remain
- Installed cellular endpoints
- Allows city staff to monitor leaks in all accounts
- Allows for quicker and easier billing process

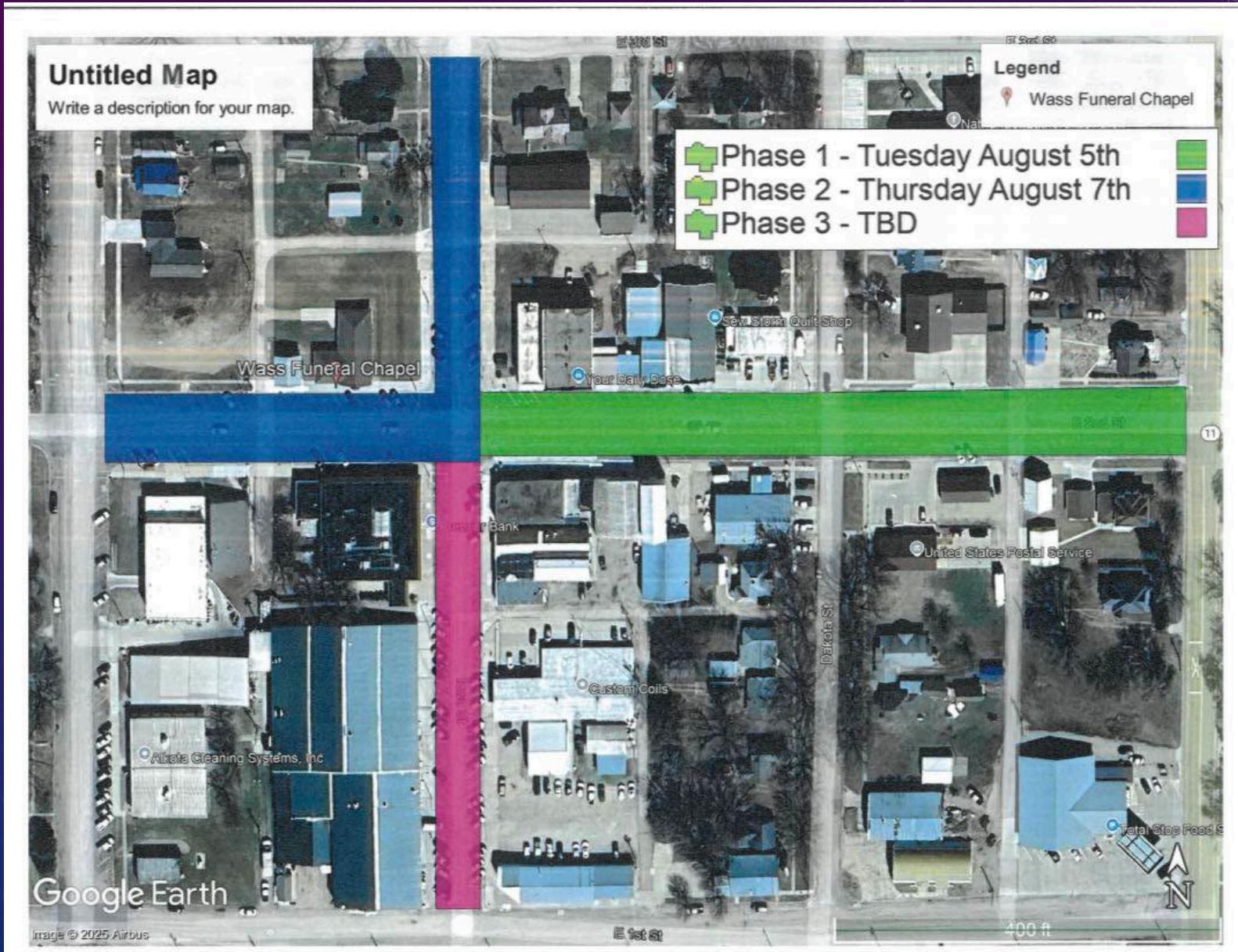


MUNICIPAL POOL IMPROVEMENTS

- ✓ New Plumbing around both pools
- ✓ Replaced Concrete deck surround
- ✓ Upgraded Electrical and Chemical room equipment
- ✓ New plaster in both pools
- ✓ Estimated to give us 10-15 years of useable time to fundraise for new pool



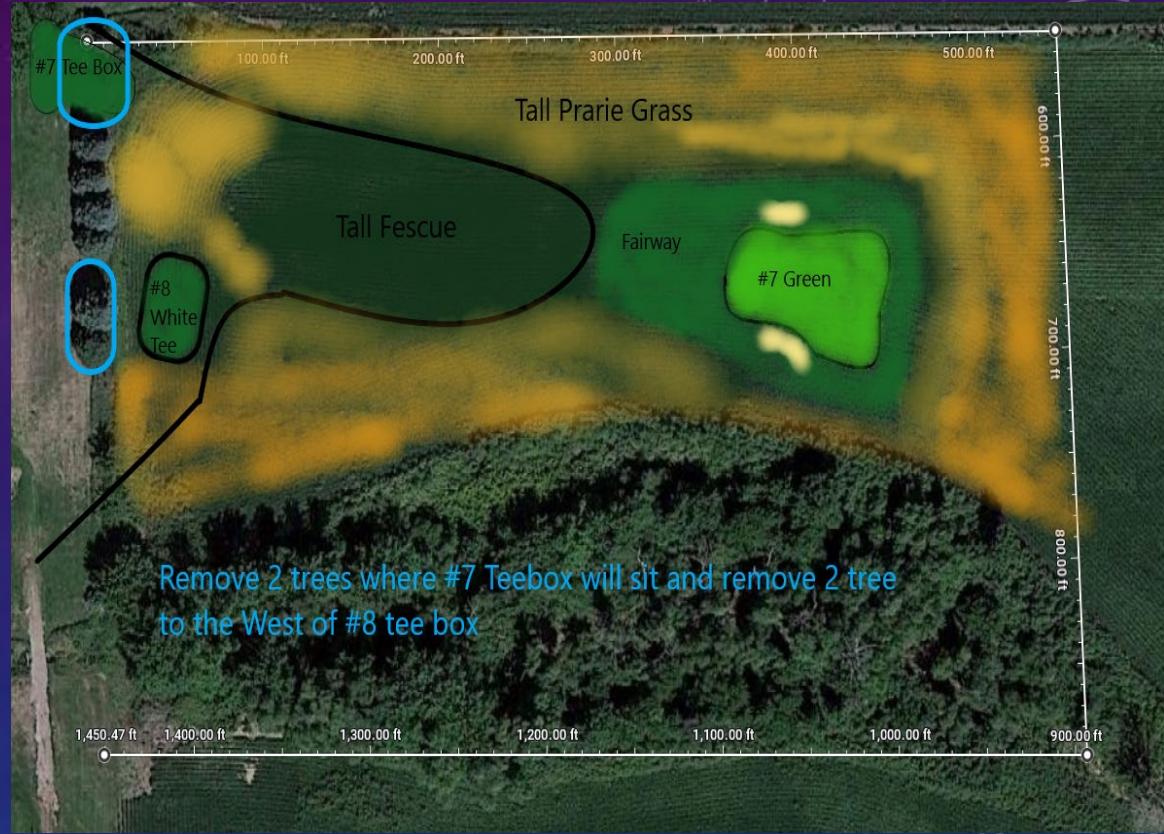
DOWNTOWN STREET IMPROVEMENTS



MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE IMPROVEMENTS



New Tee Box Signs
& Landscaping
donated by the
Golf Course
Beautification
Committee



New Par 3 hole added as #7, #5 & #6
combined into new Par 5 – all ready to
play for 2026 season!



2025

6TH ST. WALKING PATH GRANT PROJECT

- Awarded SD DOT Grant of \$522,269.22
- 8' wide concrete path
- Approx. 2,450 feet
 - Connecting City Office, Park, School, Football Field
- Provide enhanced safety for pedestrians and bicycles along 6th St.
- Additional Safe crossing of Highway 11



CITY CYBER SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS

- SecureSD
 - State & Federal funds to improve municipal gov't security
- Addition of firewalls to protect electronic assets
 - Assure user of secure and trustworthy source
 - Allows for increased security
 - Improve data retention

CITY WEBSITE AND EMAIL CHANGES

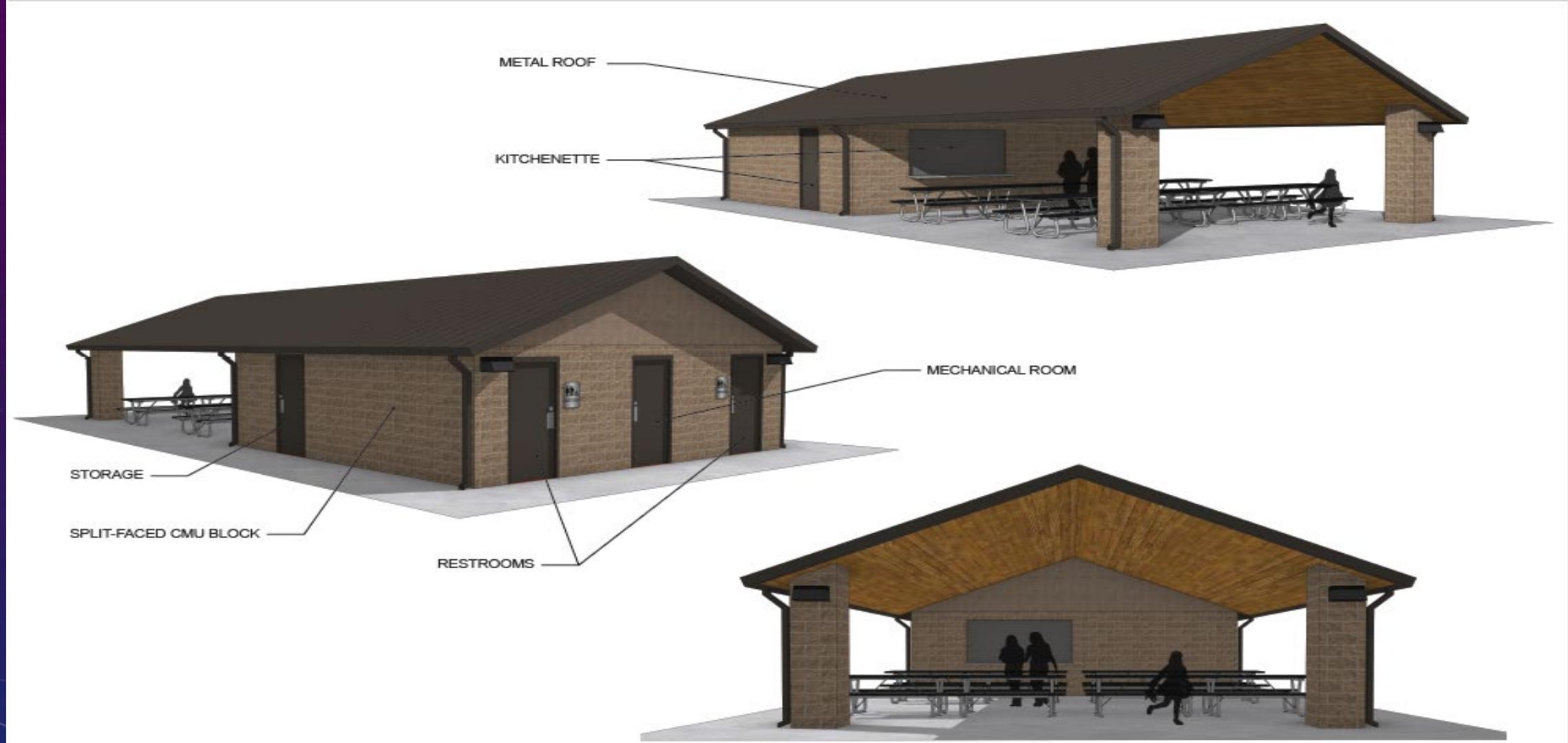
- City moving from current web site to new .gov domain
- Free government domain, increased site security, increase in resident confidence of trustworthy source
- New website address will be: www.alcester.sdcity.gov
- New email addresses coming:
 - Finance Office: finance@alcester.sdcity.gov
 - Deputy Finance (utility billing questions): deputyfinance@alcester.sdcity.gov
 - Public Works: publicworks@alcester.sdcity.gov
 - City Leadership: see updated emails on website once live

HERB ANDERSON MEMORIAL PARK REVITALIZATION - PHASE 1

- Phase 1 includes
 - Necessary grading work
 - Playground Equipment
 - Open Shelter
 - Restrooms
 - Multi-sport Court
 - Some tree removal
- Recreational Trails Program Grant
 - \$110,600.40 award – 20% local match
- LWCF Program Grant
 - \$67,213 award - 50% local match
 - Replace all playground equipment



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ALCESTER PARK FARM THEME

PROPOSAL #157-206391-4

COLOR KEY	
○	SILVER
○	GRANITE
○	GRAY
●	RED
●	BLACK
●	YELLOW
● B	RED/WHITE
● B	GRAY/BLACK
● G	LIME
● L	LEMON
● G	GREEN
● B	BROWN
● B G	LIME/BLACK



HERB ANDERSON MEMORIAL PARK REVITALIZATION - PHASE 1

PROPOSAL #:157-206390-1-R2

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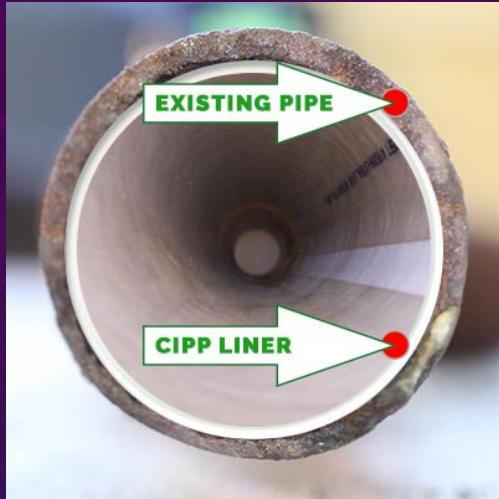
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- LEMON
- SKY
- LIME
- OCEAN
- ORANGE/BLACK

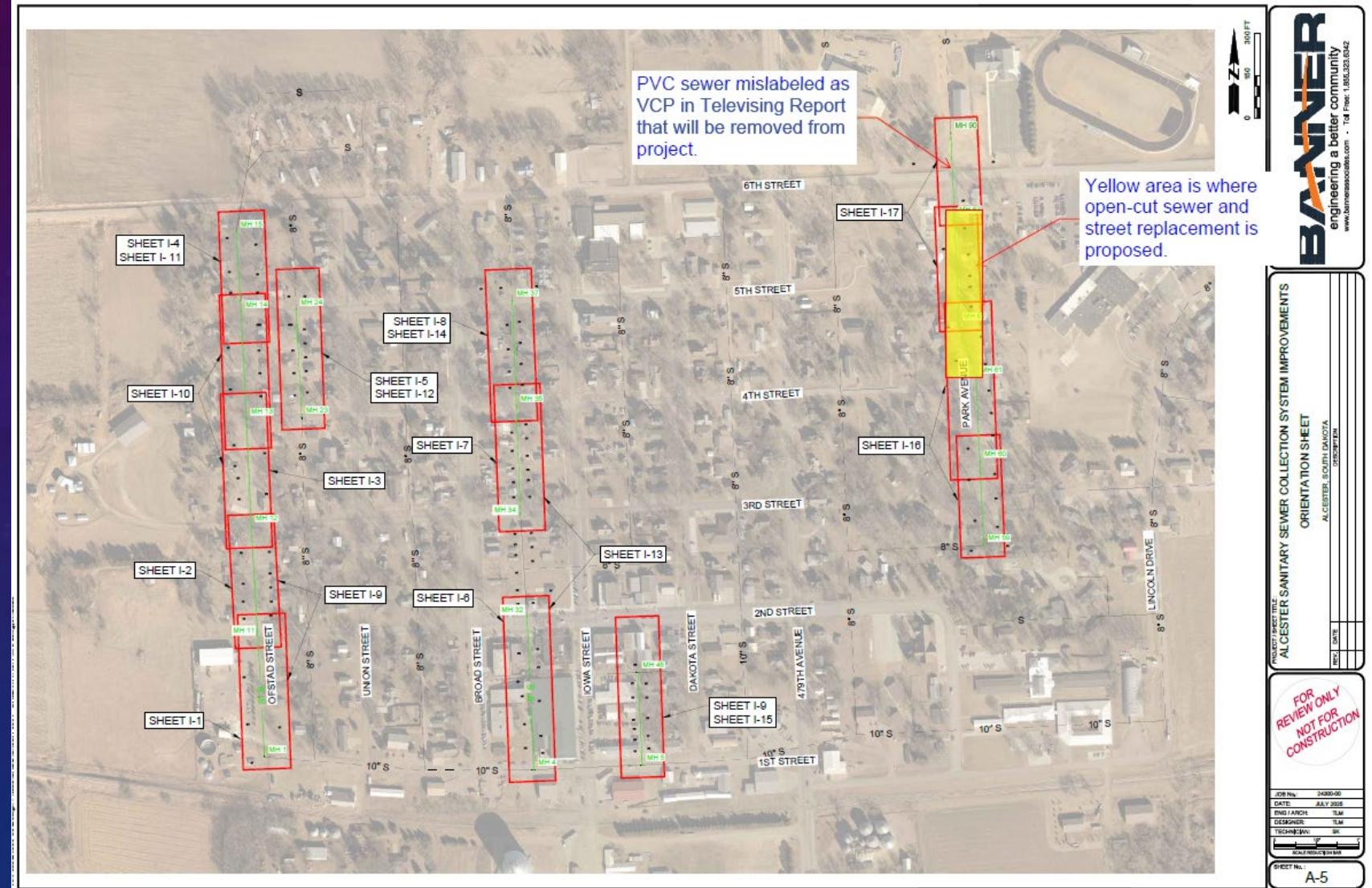


3D Designer: Heidi

SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS



Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) lining is a modern trenchless repair that creates a new pipe inside the old one. A flexible fabric liner saturated with special resin is pulled or pushed into the damaged sewer line, then inflated and cured (hardened) in place



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WATER TOWER & 4TH ST. WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS



EXHIBIT A

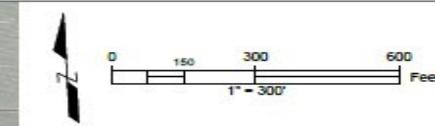
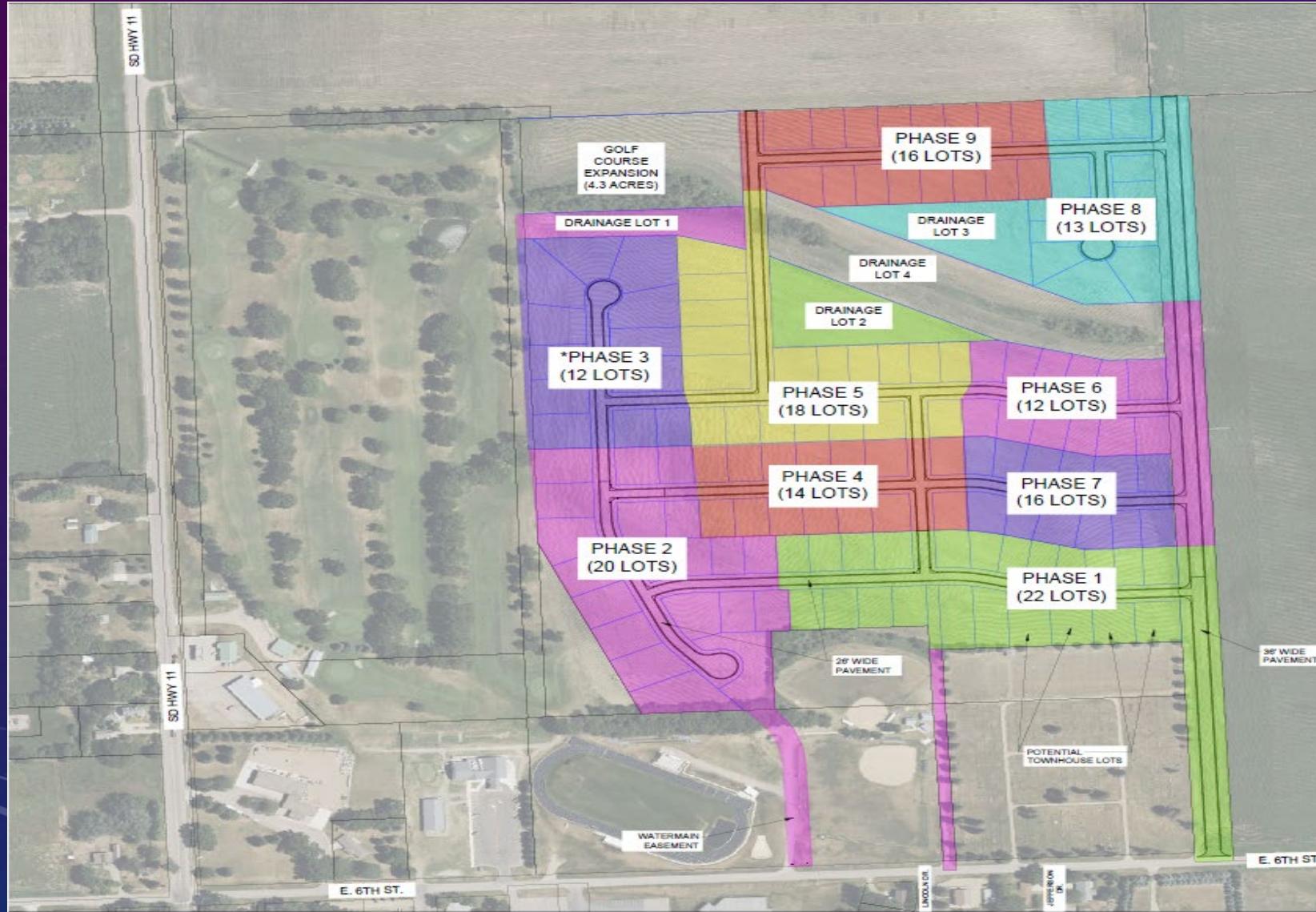
ANTICIPATED PROJECT AREA ALCESTER 4TH STREET WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS



ALCESTER HRC – GOVERNOR’S HOME UPDATE

- Tentative next home delivery May 2026
 - Plan to place at 304 Iowa St.
- Other lots upcoming
 - 204 Ofstad
 - 505 Ofstad
- Questions? Contact Jared Driesen at Premier Bank Alcester

ALCESTER INDUSTRIAL PARK BOARD PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT



*TOTAL RESIDENTIAL LOTS: 143

*LOTS NEXT TO GOLF COURSE HAVE BEEN INCREASED IN SIZE (IF 75'X150' LOTS WERE USED THE LOT COUNT WOULD BE CLOSER TO 154)

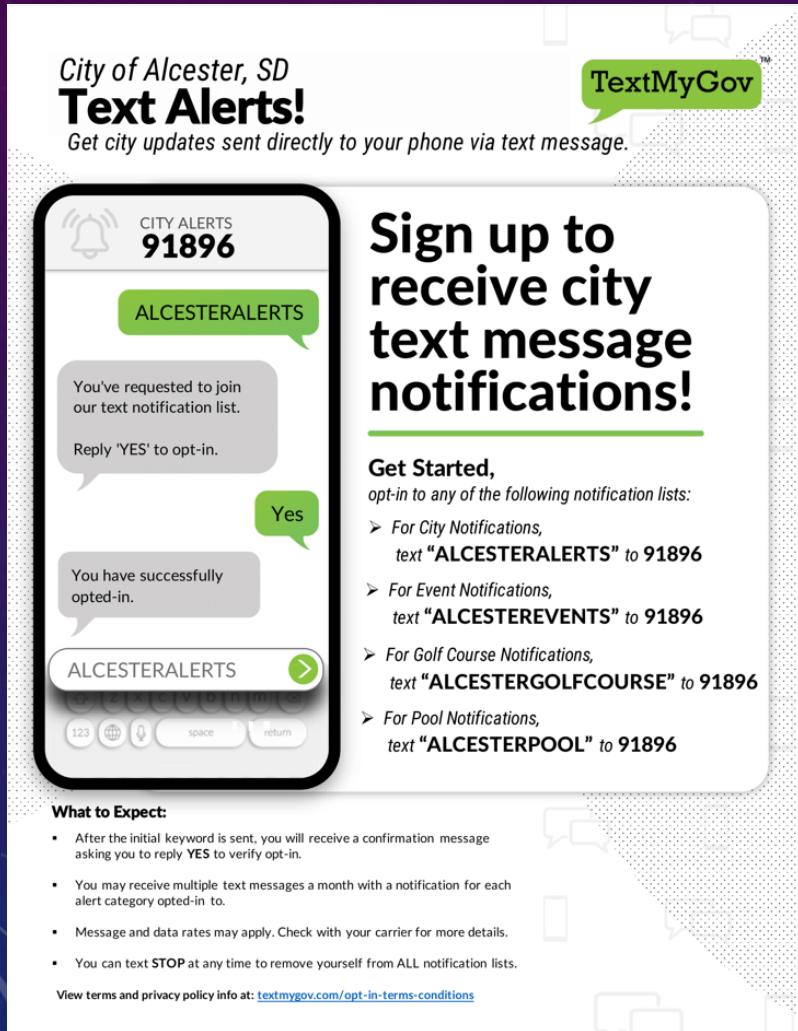
TYPICAL DIMENSIONS FOR GOLF COURSE LOTS:
WIDTH: 120'
DEPTH: 150'
AREA: 0.4 ACRES



PROJECT/SHEET TITLE:	ALCESTER RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT	
ALCESTER, SD	DESCRIPTION	
REV. DATE		

FOR REVIEW ONLY NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION			
JOB NO.:	24013.00	REVISION NUMBER	
DATE:	10/01/2023	DESIGNED BY:	BBW
CHECKED BY:	BBW	DRAWN BY:	BBW
SCALE: 1/8" = 100'			
SHEET NO. 1 OF 1			

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- PARK ISSUE

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- Some keywords when sending message to the city:
 - Water Issue
 - Water leak, water main break, Discolored, No water, Broken pipe, Low pressure, Meter, Sprinkler
 - Sewer Issue
 - Sewer leak, Sorm drain, Manhole, Sewer main break, Sewer backup, Drain issue
 - Street
 - Pothole, Streetlight, Sign, Tree down, Branches, Mailbox, Sweeper, Alley, Snow Plow
 - Park Issue
 - Bathroom, Playground, Sidewalk, Shelter, Lights, Drinking fountain, Horseshoe, Camping, Pool issue, Wasp, Tree, Picnic table
 - Other
 - Chat
 - Calendar
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - Contact
 - City Hall, Office hours, city offices, city website, website
 - Cemetery
 - Plot, burial, grave, headstone, internment
 - Business Directory
 - Businesses, City Businesses
 - Bill Pay
 - Water bill, how to pay



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QUESTIONS?