## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities (RRMU) will be holding a Public Hearing to review an application for a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan and to make available to the public the contents of an environmental information document and RRMU's project plan. These documents include design and environmental information related to the proposed improvements to RRMU's wastewater treatment system.

The proposed improvements project will consist of a slab on grade precast concrete pretreatment building to house two (2) mechanical screens, grit removal equipment with grit washing, process blowers, electrical motor control equipment, and lab/office space. A two (2) train common-wall concrete basin mixed bed biological reactor (MBBR) will be constructed. An approximately 2,300 square foot precast concrete building will house two (2) suspended air flotation (SAF) units as well as a UV disinfection unit. Sludge from the SAFs will be stabilized in two (2) common-wall concrete aerobic digesters. The sludge will be stored in two (2) common-wall concrete sludge storage tanks. The existing outfall pipe will be replaced with the outfall location remaining unchanged. The proposed improvements will include all necessary connections and appurtenances. All proposed work for the new facilities will take place on city utility-owned property adjacent to the existing wastewater treatment facility (WWTF). The existing WWTF will be abandoned in place.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to inform area residents of the community of Rock Rapids of this proposed action, discuss the actual cost and user fees associated with this project, and to address citizen's concerns, if any, with the plan.

The Public Hearing location and time are as follows:

Date and Time: October 27, 2025, 3:30 P.M.

Location: 310 S. Third Ave, Rock Rapids, Iowa 51246

All interested persons are encouraged to attend this hearing. Written comments on this proposal may also be submitted prior to the hearing. Questions regarding this hearing or the availability of documentation may be directed to the Project Contact at 712-472-2511. Additionally, public comments can be sent to SRF-PC@dnr.iowa.gov.

Dated this 21st day of August, 2025.

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities, City of Rock Rapids, State of Iowa