

CARVER LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS



WHAT IS THE CARVER LEVEE?

For over 50 years, the Carver Levee has protected the community and Historic Downtown from major flooding events. However, it's come time for significant improvements to be made, so that it may continue protecting Carver for years to come.

WHY DOES IT NEED TO BE IMPROVED?

Due to its state of disrepair, the levee is no longer certified by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) or Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This means that the levee is not guaranteed to protect Carver from flooding by the standards set by these two agencies. Without this certification:

- Property owners are restricted to spending less than 50% of the property's value on improvements to the property.
- Protected properties are required to purchase flood insurance.
- The City will be required to pay the full cost of any levee damage repair, whereas they would only be required to pay 20% with certification.

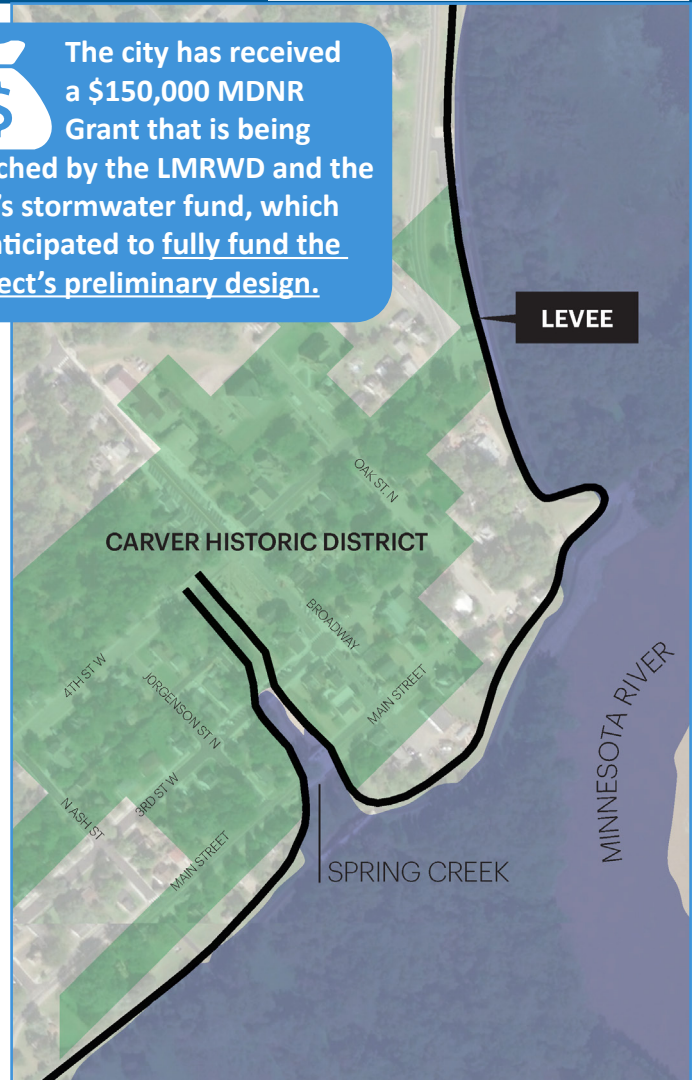
Additionally, major flooding events along the Minnesota River have increased greatly and are expected to continue doing so. This increase in flooding puts the City at an even greater risk of flooding, making this project vital to Carver.

SO, WHAT NOW?

The project team will engage the public throughout preliminary design to keep the community informed, identify regulatory requirements, and receive review and input on design elements. Additionally, the team will be meeting with adjacent property owners in the coming months to identify property use and specific concerns that can be incorporated into the project as much as possible. The 2022 schedule will be shared on the website once the team hears back about future funding opportunities.



The city has received a \$150,000 MDNR Grant that is being matched by the LMRWD and the City's stormwater fund, which is anticipated to fully fund the project's preliminary design.



STAY UPDATED!

Visit the project website for more information and to sign up for email updates:
cityofcarver.com/276/Levee-Certification



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2021 PRELIMINARY DESIGN PROJECT SCHEDULE

MAY

JUNE

JULY

AUG

SEPT

OCT

NOV

DEC

GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION

TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY

PRELIMINARY DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION LIMITS, AND COST ESTIMATES