RESOLUTION NO. 2019-37

RESOLUTION COMMITTING TO FUNDING LOCAL MATCH FOR THE MELROSE LAKE ROCK ARCH RAPIDS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Melrose has worked conjointly with the Sauk River Watershed District, Stearns County Highway Department, Stearns County Soil & Water Conservation District and in cooperation with the MN DNR, MPCA and US Army Corps of Engineers to obtain support and funding for the 5th Avenue/County Road 13 bridge project; and

WHEREAS, along with the bridge replacement, has planned for the removal of the fixed elevation dam and replacement with rock arch rapids, downstream channel realignment of the Sauk River, in-stream and shoreline habitat restoration, to improve water quality and native fish passage in the Sauk River; and

WHEREAS, the City of Melrose on March 15, 2018 acknowledged by consensus that a City match will be required to obtain grant funding through LCCMR; and

WHEREAS, the City of Melrose has been awarded \$737,000 in funds from the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council and upon approval of a current workplan will obtain \$2,768,000 in funding from the LCCMR; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLOVED, by the City Council of the City of Melrose, that \$700,000 in a local match will be committed by the City of Melrose for the Sauk River Dam removal, Rock Arch Rapids, and Sauk River channel realignment project contingent upon permitting approval by the MN DNR.

Adopted by the Melrose City Council on June 20, 2019.

JOE FINKEN - MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA HAASE - CITY CLERK