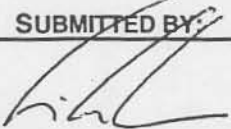


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CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 96-082
FEBRUARY 26, 1996 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	PREPARED BY:	SUBMITTED BY:
RAILROAD CROSSING PROTECTION AGREEMENTS - MAURY STREET & EDWARDS AVENUE	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	JAMES A. THOMPSON TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR	 ERIC A. ANDERSON CITY MANAGER

SYNOPSIS —

Agreements between the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the City, and the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) have been developed for railroad grade crossing protection improvements at Maury Street and Edwards Avenue.

FISCAL IMPACT —

None. These two projects will not require any City funds, but will be paid 90 percent by Federal Railroad Safety funds and 10 percent by Union Pacific funds. The minimal City costs for signing and pavement markings will come from the Traffic and Transportation Department operating budget.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval of the two agreements.

BACKGROUND —

Agreements have been developed for certain railroad grade crossing protection improvements at the Union Pacific Railroad Company railroad crossings on Maury Street and on Edwards Avenue. Under these agreements, the crossing protection will be designed, installed and maintained by the Union Pacific.

On Maury Street, the project involves installing prediction circuitry to replace motion sensors. On Edwards Avenue, the project involves installing breakaway gate arms to replace the existing gate arms. This work will be completed and paid for by the Union Pacific, with the City's only responsibility being to provide advance signing and pavement markings and ensure clear view of the signals.