



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

00-108

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

This project is for the construction of sidewalks on S.E. 22nd Street and East Park Avenue in the vicinity of the new grade school at S.E. 22nd Street and East Virginia Avenue.

MARCH 27, 2000

SUBJECT:

FISCAL IMPACT -

AUTHORIZATION
TO PROCEED ON
THE S.E. 22nd
STREET AND EAST
PARK AVENUE
SIDEWALK
PROGRAM

The estimated cost of this project is \$130,000. Approximately one-half of this project is to be assessed; the remainder would be funded with General Obligation Bonds.

TYPE:

RECOMMENDATION -

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

Approval.

SUBMITTED BY:

BACKGROUND -

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E.
CITY ENGINEER

In 1983, Council adopted a policy for constructing sidewalks on designated school routes. The designated school routes were divided into five classifications of sidewalks, and construction has been completed on Class I through Class III sidewalks. Class IV sidewalks are those sidewalks on collector streets, located more than one quarter of a mile from a school site. In accordance with the 1983 policy, it is proposed that 50 percent of the project costs would be assessed.

It is recommended the following procedure be used to established the S.E. 22nd Street and East Park Avenue Sidewalk Program:

1. Tentative Council Approval of the Program. Adoption of the resolution on the City Council agenda authorizing the City Manager to proceed on the project.

2. Preliminary Assessment Schedule. A preliminary assessment schedule will be prepared based on assessing 50 percent of the estimated project costs.

3. Setting Date of Hearing. City Council will be asked to set a date for the Hearing on the Resolution of Necessity.

4. Certified Mailing. Upon Council establishing a date for the Hearing on the Resolution of Necessity, each assessed property owner will receive a certified mailing from the City Engineer notifying them of the Hearing on the Resolution of Necessity. The mailing will also contain general information about the sidewalk project and each owner's estimated assessment, and will notify the property owners of an informational meeting to be held approximately one week prior to the Hearing on the Resolution of Necessity.

5. Adoption of Resolution of Necessity. The Hearing on Resolution of Necessity will be held by City Council on the date previously established. At this Hearing the Council will decide whether to adopt the project and proceed with construction.

6. Plans and Specifications. If the Resolution of Necessity is adopted, plans will be prepared for the new sidewalk and another notice will be sent to the property owners as required by Section 23-84 of the Municipal Code stating that the City Council has ordered its construction. Unless the sidewalk is constructed by the owner within 30 days after the service of the notice, the City will cause the sidewalk to be constructed by the City contractor and 50 percent of the project costs will be assessed to the property owner.

7. Taking of Bids and Award of Contract. After the 30-day period has expired, bids will be taken for any sidewalk not constructed by the property owner and a construction contract will be awarded to a private contractor.

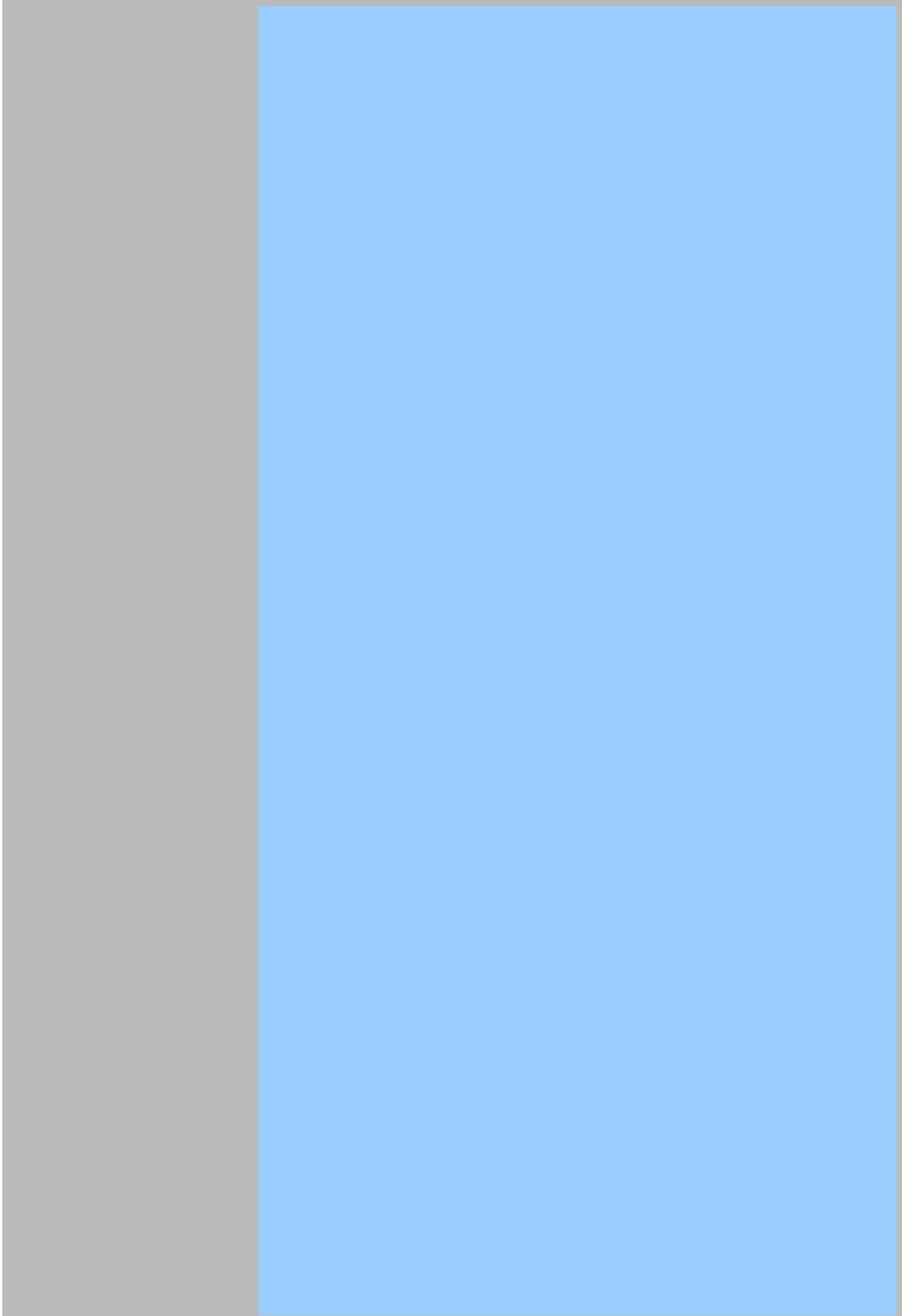
On March 6, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-681, Council adopted the 2000/01-2005/06 Capital Improvements Program (CIP). Council authorization to proceed is now requested for the following Capital Improvements Project:

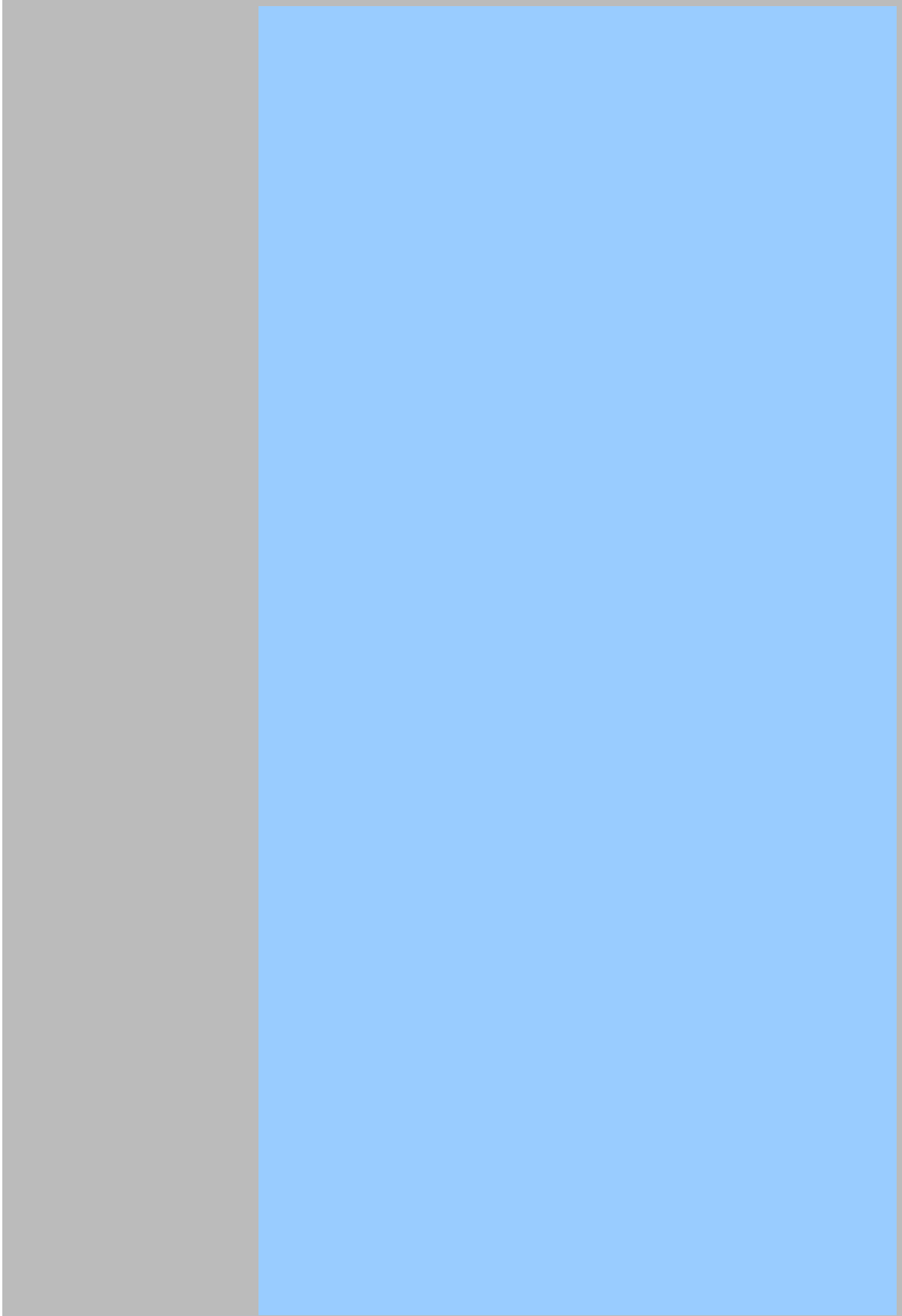
S.E. 22nd Street and East Park Avenue Sidewalk Program - page SID6 in the CIP, \$130,000 estimated project cost.













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