CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION: OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

SYNOPSIS -

ITEM

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AGENDA:

Agreements have been developed for the installation of automatic flashing light signals at the Union Pacific Railroad Company

CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

AUGUST 28, 2000

crossings on Hubbell Avenue and Dean Avenue.

SUBJECT:

FISCAL IMPACT -

RAILROAD CROSSING SIGNAL AGREEMENTS -**HUBBELL AVENUE** AND DEAN AVENUE

Project construction costs estimated at \$60,000 for Hubbell Avenue and \$130,000 for Dean Avenue will be paid by Federal Railroad Safety Funds (90 percent) and the Union Pacific Railroad Company (10 percent). There will be minimal City costs for maintaining signing which will come from the Traffic and Transportation Division operating budget.

TYPE:

RECOMMENDATION -

RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE

Approval.

BACKGROUND -

SUBMITTED BY:

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E. CITY ENGINEER

This project involves installation of new automatic flashing light signals with 12-inch LED lenses and prediction circuitry at the Hubbell Avenue crossing and installation of flashing light signals with gate arms, 12-inch LED lenses and prediction circuitry at the Dean Avenue crossing. The Union Pacific Railroad Company will design, install and maintain the signals. The City's only responsibility is to maintain advance warning signs and ensure clear view of the signals.