

## Meeting Agendas/Info

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**ITEM \_\_\_\_\_**

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

**01-229**

**SYNOPSIS -**

**AGENDA:**

MAY 7, 2001

**SUBJECT:**

STREET CROSSING  
IMPROVEMENT  
AGREEMENTS  
WITH IOWA  
INTERSTATE  
RAILROAD, LTD.

An agreement has been developed between Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. and the City of Des Moines for improvements to be made to the deteriorated railroad crossings at S.W. 1st, S.W. 2nd, S.W. 3rd, S.W. 4th, and S.W. 5th Streets at Vine Street to accommodate new development. The work is to be performed by the railroad, and the City will reimburse the railroad for actual costs not to exceed \$205,920.17.

**FISCAL IMPACT -**

General Obligation Bond funds are available in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for railroad street crossing repairs.

**TYPE:**

**RECOMMENDATION -**

**RESOLUTION**  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**Approval.**

**BACKGROUND -**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E.  
CITY ENGINEER

These agreements between the City of Des Moines and Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. provide for upgrading existing street crossings on S.W. 1st, S.W. 2nd, S.W. 3rd, S.W. 4th, and S.W. 5th Streets at Vine Street. The new crossings will be constructed with precast concrete panels by Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. To facilitate construction, each street will be closed approximately one week, and the work will be coordinated with construction on Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway.

The City will reimburse Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. for the actual cost to upgrade these crossings. To encourage development in this area, these crossings need to be upgraded this year.

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