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GENERAL INFORMATION

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SUBJECT—

Approving and authorizing the execution of an agreement with MidAmerican Energy Company for relocating gas lines and valves near the intersection of George Flagg Parkway and Park Avenue as part of the Park Avenue Widening Project.

SYNOPSIS—

Agreement to relocate high pressure gas lines and valves that are located outside the right-of-way in a private utility easement near the intersection of George Flagg Parkway and Park Avenue as part of the Park Avenue Widening Project.

FISCAL IMPACT—

Compensation for work covered by this agreement shall be on a time and materials basis with a total not to exceed \$100,000.00. Funding is included in CIP Account 543060, Fund CP038, Organization ENG990000, Project STR202 (Park Avenue Widening).

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval.

BACKGROUND—

On March 18, 2002, by Roll Call 02-649, and on October 11, 2004, by Roll Call 04-2110 the City Council approved funding agreements with the Iowa Department of Transportation for the Park Avenue Widening Project. The project letting is scheduled for March 15, 2005 with construction anticipated to start in mid to late April 2005.

A gas valve station on a 10-inch and a 20-inch high-pressure gas line is located adjacent to the right-of-way on the north side of Park Avenue and east side of George Flagg Parkway. These gas valves are in conflict with the new George Flagg Parkway alignment and must be relocated. This valve station is located on a private utility easement; therefore the City is responsible to pay the costs for this relocation.

MidAmerican Energy's gas supplier, Northern Natural Gas, plans to shut down another main gas feed into the City's north side for repairs between April 1st and June 1st, therefore MidAmerican Energy must complete this gas valve relocation on Park Avenue prior to April 1st so only one gas feed into the City is shut down at a time.