



# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION City Manager's Office

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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#### SUBJECT—

Approving and authorizing the execution of Iowa Department of Transportation Preconstruction Agreement for  $56^{\text{th}}$  Street –  $50^{\text{th}}$  Street (south side) noise wall.

## SYNOPSIS-

The City of Des Moines (City) and Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) have negotiated a preconstruction agreement for a noise wall along the south side of I-235 from just east of 56<sup>th</sup> Street to near 50<sup>th</sup> Street. Approval of this agreement will allow construction of this project that will be bid and administered by the IDOT. The noise wall is part of the outcome of the Predesign Agreement between the City and IDOT that was approved on August 31, 2000 by Roll Call 00-3634.

## FISCAL IMPACT—

IDOT will pay all costs associated with this project. However, this project is included under the I-235 Master Predesign Agreement between the City and IDOT (Agreement No. 2001-P-028, dated October 9, 2000). Under said agreement, the City shall repay IDOT a maximum of \$12.7 million, commencing in fiscal year 2007-08, for City-owned sewer relocation work included as part of the I-235 construction. This repayment is budgeted in the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) under I-235 Storm and Sanitary Sewer Improvements, Fund CP038, Organization ENG990000, Project STR197, in Fiscal Year 2007-08.

## **RECOMMENDATION**—

Approval.

#### BACKGROUND—

On August 31, 2000 by Roll Call No. 00-3634, the City Council approved a Predesign Agreement (Agreement No. 2001-P-028) with IDOT for I-235 from the west city limits to the north city limits. IDOT has completed the design of the noise wall at  $56^{\text{th}}$  Street –  $50^{\text{th}}$  Street. The work includes noise walls that will vary in height and will be constructed with poured concrete footings and precast columns and concrete wall panels. The remainder of the noise walls on the south side and north side will be covered in future agreements.

The IDOT held a neighborhood meeting on the  $56^{\text{th}}$  Street –  $50^{\text{th}}$  Street noise wall. The residents determined the texture of the noise walls. The texture of the noise wall is to be "cut stone."

The  $56^{\text{th}}$  Street –  $50^{\text{th}}$  Street noise wall has been negotiated with IDOT to identify the responsibilities of IDOT and the City regarding the administration, funding, and implementation of the project construction. Construction will be in fall 2005. IDOT must approve this document before work may begin.