



**Council
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Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No. 7

Roll Call No. 06-

Communication No. 06-333

Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer and William G. Stowe, Assistant City Manager/Public Works/Engineering

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving and authorizing the execution of Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Preconstruction Agreement for noise wall construction 31st Street to 28th Street, 26th Street east to 24th Street (westbound), 63rd Street east to Cummins Parkway (westbound), 50th Street east to Polk Boulevard (eastbound), Polk Boulevard east to 44th Street (eastbound), and 42nd Street east to 38th Street (west and eastbound).

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of the pre-construction agreement between the City of Des Moines and the IDOT for noise wall construction 31st Street to 28th Street, 26th Street east to 24th Street (westbound), 63rd Street east to Cummins Parkway (westbound), 50th Street east to Polk Boulevard (eastbound), Polk Boulevard east to 44th Street (eastbound), and 42nd Street east to 38th Street (west and eastbound) in association with I-235 reconstruction. Approval of this agreement will allow construction of the project that will be bid and administered by the IDOT. The noise walls are part of the outcome of the pre-design agreement between the City and the IDOT that was approved on August 31, 2000, by Roll Call 00-3634.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: None

Funding Source: The IDOT will pay all costs associated with this project.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City and IDOT have negotiated a pre-construction agreement, and the IDOT has completed the design of the noise wall construction 31st Street to 28th Street, 26th Street east to 24th Street (westbound), 63rd Street east to Cummins Parkway (westbound), 50th Street east to Polk Boulevard (eastbound), Polk Boulevard east to 44th Street (eastbound), and 42nd Street east to 38th Street (west and eastbound). This work includes noise walls that will vary in height and will be constructed with poured concrete footings, precast columns, and concrete wall panels.

The IDOT held meetings with each of the neighborhoods scheduled to receive a noise wall. The texture of the noise walls was determined by the residents and most of the noise walls will have “drystack” stone texture.

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PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 31, 2000

Roll Call Number: 00-3634

Action: Approving Iowa Department of Transportation Predesign Agreement for Interstate 235, from the west City limits to the north City limits. ([Council Communication No. 00-411](#)). Moved by McPherson to adopt. Motion Carried 4-2-1. Nays: Brooks and Vlassis. Absent: Flagg.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

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ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE