



Council
Communication
Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No.	41
Roll Call No.	<u>06-</u>
Communication No.	<u>06-464</u>
Submitted by:	Jeb E. Brewer, P.E. City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Traffic Safety Fund Applications to the Iowa Department of Transportation.

SYNOPSIS:

The Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) has an annual program to provide funds for Traffic Safety Fund improvements. The deadline for this year’s applications is August 15, 2006. Staff has reviewed various locations and has developed four projects for submittal:

1. Army Post Road widening from South Union to SW 9th Street;
2. Hickman Road restriping between 30th Street and Merle Hay Road, including traffic signals at 48th Street and Hickman Road;
3. 42nd Street at Kingman Boulevard traffic signal/street widening improvements;
4. Hubbell Avenue and Easton Boulevard intersection traffic signal upgrading.

Staff recommends approval and authorization to submit the applications to IDOT for Traffic Safety Funds for these four projects.

FISCAL IMPACT:

1. Army Post Road Widening from South Union to SW 9th Street

Traffic Safety Funds Requested	\$ 500,000
Total Project Cost	\$1,000,000

The local funding match is planned in the 2006-2007 CIP Page Street - 5, Army Post Widening – SE 5th to SW 9th in FY 2008-09 and 2009-10.

2. Hickman Road Restriping between 30th Street and Merle Hay Road, including traffic signals at 48th Street and Hickman Road

Traffic Safety Funds Requested	\$240,000
Total Project Cost	\$280,000

The local funding match is planned in the 2006-2007 CIP Page Traffic Control-5, City-Wide Signals, Channelization, and School Crossing Protection Program in FY2008-09 and 2009-10.

3. 42nd Street at Kingman Boulevard traffic signal/street widening improvements

Traffic Safety Funds Requested	\$310,000
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4. Hubbell Avenue and Easton Boulevard intersection traffic signal upgrading

This project would upgrade the existing traffic signals at Hubbell Avenue and Easton Boulevard. The estimated construction cost is \$140,000, which would be requested from Traffic Safety Funds.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: November 21, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-2758

Action: Approval of Hickman Road Traffic Study and implementation of items contained in the report and timetable.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date: July 11, 2006

Roll Call Number: NA

Action: Approval of staff's recommendation to submit the four applications to the Iowa Department of Transportation for consideration in their Traffic Safety Improvement Program.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Approval of project agreements with the Iowa Department of Transportation.