



# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date

October 23, 2006

Agenda Item No. 8  
Roll Call No. 06-  
Communication No. 06-665  
Submitted by: **Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.**  
City Engineer

## AGENDA HEADING:

Approving and authorizing the execution of Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for E. Army Post Road Widening from South Union Street to S.E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Agreement No. 2007-TS-010 for Traffic Safety Improvement Program project funding for E. Army Post Road Widening from South Union Street to S.E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. IDOT funds in the amount of \$500,000 are available for the construction costs. The City's portion of the project, consisting of the design, inspection, and construction costs, is estimated to be \$500,000.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$1,000,000

Funding Source: Various funding sources as follows:

- \$500,000 Iowa DOT Traffic Safety Improvement Funds
- \$500,000 2006-07 CIP, Page Street Improvements-5, Army Post Widening – S.E. 5<sup>th</sup> to S.W. 9<sup>th</sup>, STR229, G.O. Bonds

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

In July of 2005, City Council authorized an application to be submitted to the IDOT for E. Army Post Road Widening from South Union Street to S.E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The IDOT has approved \$500,000 for this project. The remaining costs, including design, inspection, and construction administration, are to be funded by the City. The total City cost is estimated to be \$500,000.

This project would involve widening E. Army Post Road to a five-lane facility in order to provide a center two-way left-turn lane. The previously constructed intersection improvements on E. Army Post Road at South Union Street and S.E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street would remain in place. The widening would occur in between these two intersections. It is anticipated that the project would be constructed within the existing right-of-way. In July of 2006, City Council authorized that an additional application be submitted to the IDOT for Army Post Road Widening from South Union Street to S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street. If funding is approved by the IDOT, these two segments will be combined into one project for construction.

## PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: July 25, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1791

Action: Approving applications to the Iowa Department of Transportation for traffic safety funds to cover a portion of construction costs for the following projects: ([Council Communication No. 05-412](#))  
Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.

- (A) East Army Post Road Widening from South Union to SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street.
- (B) SW 7<sup>th</sup> and Indianola Road Traffic Signal/Channelization Improvements.
- (C) E. 29<sup>th</sup> and Hubbell Intersection Traffic Signal Upgrading.
- (D) 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> at Crocker Street-Traffic Signal Upgrading.
- (E) Midblock Pedestrian Crossing Enhancements.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Normal actions for award of the construction contract for the work.