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<b>Communication No.</b>	<b>07-043</b>
<b>Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp, Parks and Recreation Director</b>	

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving Joint Public Service 28E Agreement with Polk County, Polk County Conservation Board and the City of Johnston for the construction and maintenance of the Trestle-to-Trestle Multi-Use Recreation Trail.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of a Joint Public Service 28E Agreement between the City of Des Moines, City of Johnston, Polk County and the Polk County Conservation Board for the construction and maintenance of the Trestle-to-Trestle Trail.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: Total project cost is \$1,517,938; the City of Des Moines share of the project is \$100,000. Trail maintenance cost to the City of Des Moines is anticipated to be approximately \$1,725 per year. The total project costs will be divided as follows:

	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>% of Funding</u>
Federal STP-E Grants through MPO	\$636,750	41.9%
State Trails Grant (IDOT)	\$346,739	22.8%
Polk County	\$184,449	12.2%
City of Des Moines	\$100,000	6.6%
Polk County Conservation Board	\$ 50,000	3.3%
<u>City of Johnston</u>	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	<u>3.3%</u>
Total Estimated Construction Cost	\$1,367,938	
Polk County In-Kind (Administration, Design and Construction Inspection)	\$ 150,000	9.9%

**Total Project Costs**

**\$1,517,938** **100%**

In addition, any change orders for the project will be shared by the entities with each entity being responsible for 25 percent of the change order. For all change orders, the City Engineer will sign off and approve the change order for the City and their additional contribution.

Funding Source: Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Program in CP040 PKS990000 PKS045 - Recreation Trails, Park Improvements, page 21.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Trestle-to-Trestle Trail will be a nearly 3.5 mile long multi-use recreational trail on the north side of Des Moines. The trail will connect the City of Johnston's trail system to the City of Des Moines' Inter-Urban Trail and is a cooperative effort among Des Moines, Johnston, Polk County and the Polk County Conservation Board (PCCB). With the completion of this trail, two major portions of the Central Iowa Trail system will be connected and allow for numerous recreational and commuter uses along this trail. A map of the trail is included in the Council packet.

Polk County and the PCCB have taken the lead for applying for funding, developing the plans and overseeing construction of the trail. The City of Des Moines owns a majority of the property being used for the trail with Polk County and the City of Johnston owning the remainder of the property being used for the trail. Once completed, each entity will own the portion of trail constructed on their property. The project was initially scheduled for FY08, but was moved up several months to allow construction to be completed by the fall of 2007.

Maintenance of the trail will be divided among the City of Johnston, the PCCB and the City of Des Moines. The maintenance duties will be as follows:

- The PCCB will be responsible for mowing grass, trimming grass and trees, picking up litter along the Trail from Euclid Avenue north to the trestle bridge north of Interstate I-80/35.
- The City of Des Moines will be responsible for mowing grass, trimming grass and trees, and picking up litter along the Trail from Euclid Avenue south to the Inter-Urban Trail, which is approximately 1,100 ft in length, and also will be responsible for snow removal from the Inter-Urban Trail north to the trestle bridge. The City of Des Moines shall be responsible for Trail repairs on the portion of the Trail owned by the City of Des Moines. The City of Des Moines and the County Conservation Board will equally share the cost of minor Trail repairs.
- The City of Johnston will be responsible for all trail maintenance north of the trestle bridge, including mowing, trimming, litter removal, snow removal, and shall be responsible for repairs and reconstruction of the portion of the Trail owned by the City of Johnston.

The Joint Public Service 28E Agreement was approved on January 10, 2007, by the Polk County Conservation Board, and on January 16, 2007 by the Polk County Board of Supervisors. It will be placed on a future agenda for approval by the City of Johnston. This joint effort will provide the citizens of Des Moines, Johnston and Polk County with another outstanding facility for recreational or alternative transportation.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

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

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**