



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date April 20, 2009

Agenda Item No. 8
Roll Call No. 09-
Communication No. 09-238
Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.
City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving and authorizing the execution of Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. Grade Crossing Surface Repair Program Agreements for SE 2nd Street and SE 5th Street.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of Grade Crossing Surface Repair Program Agreements as prepared by Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT), which will allow construction and cost participation in the installation of railway/highway surface crossing improvements for the two crossings. The total estimate of the project is \$141,767.30 of which the City shall participate in 20% of the total estimate, or \$28,353.52.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$141,767.30 (construction estimate)

Funding Source: Various funding being:

- \$28,353.52 – 20% City share, 2009-10 CIP, Page Street-31, Railroad Crossing Surface Repairs and Signal Improvements, STR139
- \$28,353.52 – 20% share, Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd.
- \$85,060.26 – 60% share, IDOT

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Des Moines and Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. submitted a request to the IDOT for Iowa Grade Crossing Surface Repair Fund for SE 2nd (FRA No. 603713A) and SE 5th Street (FRA No. 603710E). The IDOT Office of Rail Transportation has approved these funds for repair and improvement on these two crossings. The agreements shall cover construction of new surface crossings with precast concrete panels and drainage improvements.

The construction of the surface crossing improvements at these two crossings is scheduled by the IDOT for summer of 2009. The project will be constructed by Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: March 10, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-368

Action: Approving Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. Grade Crossing Surface Repair Program Agreements for SE 1st Street, SE 3rd Street, SE 4th Street, and SE 7th Street. (Council Communication No. 08-113)
Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Normal Council actions on construction contracts.

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