



Council Communication

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Date

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Agenda Item No. 6C
Roll Call No. 10-
Communication No. 10-224
Submitted by: **Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.,**
City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: Riverwalk - North of Armory Building - Receiving bids, (5-11-10), and Setting date of hearing, (5-24-10). (Construction Estimate - \$1,386,901).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council proceed with construction of the improvement and set dates to receive bids and hold a public hearing, as required by Iowa Code, utilizing the method of financing referenced below. In 2009, the Iowa State Legislature allocated \$750,000 for the Principal Riverwalk to be administered through the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) as State Recreational Trails project funding. The project will include reconstruction of the floodwall and sidewalk on the west side of the Armory Building, construction of the final trail connections on the east end of the Center Street Bridge, as well as construction of the Riverwalk sidewalk along Robert D. Ray Drive, and resurfacing of the Armory Parking lot.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$1,386,901 City Engineer's Estimate

Funding Source: 2010-2011 CIP, Page Park-21, Principal Riverwalk, PKS162, Being: IDOT State Recreational Trails funding for 75% of construction, not to exceed \$750,000, with the remaining \$636,901 in Storm Water Utility Funds.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

In 2009, the Iowa State Legislature allocated \$750,000 for the Principal Riverwalk. These funds are being administered through the IDOT as State Recreational Trails project funding. The project will include reconstruction of the floodwall and sidewalk on the west side of the Armory Building, construction of the final trail connections on the east end of the Center Street Bridge, as well as construction of the Riverwalk sidewalk along Robert D. Ray Drive, and resurfacing of the Armory Parking lot.

The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Riverwalk - North of Armory Building, 11-2010-011. The improvement includes removal and reconstruction of approximately 507 LF of PCC floodwall between the Brenton Skating Plaza and the newly constructed Center Street Bridge; and also includes precast concrete unit pavers; PCC curb and gutter; HMA parking lot resurfacing; HMA recreational trail; PCC sidewalk; site electrical; sodding; and other incidental items in accordance with the contract

documents, including Plan File Nos. 519-034/084 on Riverwalk – North of Armory Building, Des Moines, Iowa.

The estimated construction cost is \$1,386,901. The proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents are available for public inspection in the City Engineer's Office.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: November 23, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-2086

Action: Approving Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Agreement for Principal Riverwalk Recreational Trail. (Council Communication No. 09-820) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: November 19, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-2267

Action: Project Cooperation Agreement with Department of the Army for construction of Phase I of the Principal Riverwalk and approving agreement with Principal Life Insurance Company and The Des Moines River Front Development Authority for responsibility of Non-Federal Sponsor financial obligations and work related to the Principal Riverwalk. (Council Communication No. 07-680) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: October 24, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-2600

Action: Vision Iowa Program Grant Award Agreement for the construction of the Rediscovering the Rivers Project including the Principal Riverwalk and Meredith Riverpoint Trail. (Council Communication No. 05-596) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: April 25, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1062

Action: Intergovernmental 28E Agreement with the Des Moines Riverfront Development Authority, for planning, constructing and maintaining riverfront improvements in the Downtown area. (Council Communication No. 05-230) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Date: March 17, 2010

Roll Call Number: N/A

Action: Access Advisory Board approved Riverwalk - North of Armory Building project

Date: March 4, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-2010-7.62

Action: Plan and Zoning Commission voted 10-1 to approve the Site Plan under design guidelines in "D-R" Districts for property located in the 700 Block of Robert D. Ray Drive, to allow for reconstruction of the off-street parking lot for the Armory Building.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Anticipated actions include public hearing, receive and file bids, designate lowest bidder, and approve contract and bond; also, partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.

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