

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

**Date:** June 27, 2011

Agenda Item No. 55 Roll Call No. 11-1160

Communication No. 11-411

Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.,

**City Engineer** 

### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving and authorizing the execution of Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for construction of the Des Moines River Regional Trail – Phase 1.

# **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Agreement No. 2011-ICAAP-001 for Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) project funding for construction of the Des Moines River Regional Trail – Phase 1. Federal ICAAP funds up to a maximum amount of \$426,526 are available. ICAAP funding will be combined with other grant and City funding for construction.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$1,926,000

Funding Source: Various funding sources as follows:

- \$426.526 ICAAP Funds
- \$73,474 State Recreational Trails
- \$300.000 REAP Grant
- \$150,000 Private Contribution
- \$25,000 Polk County Community Development Grant
- \$549,540 Pending RECAT Grant application
- \$401,460 2011-2012 CIP, Page Park Improvements-17, Recreation Trails, PKS045, G.O. Bonds

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

This is the first phase of a major regional trail that will ultimately connect downtown Des Moines to Carlisle and the Summerset Trail south of Carlisle. This phase is 2.5 miles stretching from the Meredith Trail at the Scott Street Bridge and following the south side of the Des Moines River to the James W. Cownie Baseball Park. Street connection into adjacent neighborhoods at SE 1st, SE 6th, SE 8th, SE 14th, and SE 22nd Streets facilitate use of the trail by bicycle commuters from the Des Moines south side, as well as recreational riders.

Construction of the trail is now planned to begin in 2012. Project development and design are funded by the City of Des Moines. State and Federal grants totaling \$800,000 have been awarded for construction of the trail. In addition, a private contribution of \$150,000, and a Polk County Community Development

Grant of \$25,000 have been committed. To satisfy the ICAAP grant agreement, the project construction must be let by January 2012.

# **PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: April 12, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-531

<u>Action</u>: <u>Submission</u> of \$750,750 grant application to River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism (RECAT) Program for development of Des Moines River Trail, Phase 1. (<u>Council</u> Communication No. 10-179) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: January 11, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-044

Action: Acceptance of \$73,474 Iowa Department of Transportation State Recreational Trail Grant (DOT SRT) for The Des Moines River Trail, Phase 1. (Council Communication No. 10-015) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

<u>Date:</u> January 11, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-043

<u>Action: Acceptance</u> of \$300,000 Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Grant for The Des Moines River Trail, Phase 1. (Council Communication No. 10-014) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: May 18, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-822

<u>Action</u>: Approving Professional Services Agreements for the following: <u>AECOM</u>, Inc. in conjunction with the Des Moines River Regional Trail – Phase 1, not to exceed \$202,000. (<u>Council Communication No. 09-330</u>) Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Cownie.

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

# **ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Normal Council actions on construction contracts.

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