

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No. 5B

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City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: Locust Street Streetscape Repairs - Receiving bids, (7-26-11), and Setting date of hearing, (8-8-11). (Construction Estimate - \$100,475).

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. This project is for repairs to the Locust Streetscape sidewalk intersection ramps and brick banding.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$100,475 City Engineer's Estimate

Funding Source: 2011-2012 CIP, Streetscape Improvements, STR231, Page Street – 41.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

One of the earliest streetscape projects in the City of Des Moines was done on East Locust from Robert D. Ray Drive to Pennsylvania Avenue. This project included brick banding and granite plaques in the sidewalk. Some of these improvements have not been durable and have required significant maintenance to reset plaques and banding. This project will reconstruct selected ramps that have been particularly difficult to maintain and remove limited areas of banding in the ramp area in order to reduce future maintenance. A follow-up construction project is anticipated next year to address additional maintenance issues with banding along the curbs.

The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Locust Street Streetscape Repairs, 04-2011-009. This improvement includes removal and construction of sidewalk, curb, brick pavers and other incidental items; in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 533-068/082, on E. Locust Street from Robert D. Ray Drive to Pennsylvania Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

The estimated construction cost is \$100,475. The proposed plans, specifications and form of contract documents are available for public inspection in the Des Moines City Engineer's Office.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

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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