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|  <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p> | Date: | March 11, 2013 |
| | Agenda Item No. | 6A |
| | Roll Call No. | <u>13-0379</u> |
| | Communication No. | <u>13-118</u> |
| | Submitted by: | Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer |

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: Botanical Center Accessible Elevator - Receiving bids, (3-26-13), and Setting date of hearing, (4-8-13). (Construction Estimate - \$400,000.)

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. During the summer of 2007 the Department of Justice audited forty-six city facilities, including the Des Moines Botanical Center, for accessibility related issues. Lack of an accessible route to the Dome Balcony by the Lobby for wheelchair users, as well as, the non-compliant handrails for ambulatory users on the existing stairways were cited in their report. The proposed improvements correct these deficiencies and will bring these elements into compliance with the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessibility Design.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$400,000 (City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2013-2014 CIP, Page Building - 4, ADA Modifications for Municipal Buildings, BLD042, G. O. Bonds.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Botanical Center Accessible Elevator, 10-2013-003. The improvement includes the construction of a new passenger elevator and modifying the existing stairways that connect the ground level with the balcony overlook level within the dome structure of the Des Moines Botanical Center. Work includes foundation excavation, concrete foundations, concrete flat work, concrete masonry block and stone veneer, structural and shop fabricated steel assemblies, holeless passenger elevator system as well as related mechanical and electrical systems; all work in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 538-139/152, located at 909 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa.

The estimated construction cost is \$400,000. 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):

Board: Access Advisory Board

Date: February 20, 2013

Resolution Number: 13-10

Action: Plan Review and Approval by Access Advisory Board

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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