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	<b>Agenda Item No.</b> 8 <b>Roll Call No.</b> <u>14-0200</u> <b>Communication No.</b> <u>14-045</u> <b>Submitted by:</b> <b>Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving and authorizing the execution of Union Pacific Railroad Company Street Crossing Signal Safety Improvement Agreement for Dean Avenue.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of Street Crossing Signal Safety Improvement Agreement as prepared by Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT), which will allow construction of railroad/highway crossing signal improvement for this crossing. The total estimate of the project is \$210,000 of which the City of Des Moines shall have no fiscal responsibility.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$210,000

Funding Source: Various funding being:

- \$189,000 – 90% share, IDOT
- \$21,000 – 10% share, Union Pacific Railroad Company

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Union Pacific Railroad Company submitted a request to the IDOT for Federal Grade Crossing Safety Improvement Funds (Federal Aid 23 USC 130 Funds) for signal improvements at the Dean Avenue Crossing, FRA No. 192641K. The IDOT Office of Rail Transportation has approved these funds for signal improvement at this crossing. The agreement will cover construction of new signals with installation of flashing lights and gate arms. The construction of the signal safety improvement at this crossing is scheduled by the IDOT for summer 2014. The project will be constructed by Union Pacific Railroad Company, and is a separate safety improvement with no involvement with the Railroad Crossing Closures at Hull Avenue, Scott Avenue, and SE 34<sup>th</sup> Street.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

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

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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