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	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	7
	<b>Roll Call No.</b>	[ ]
	<b>Communication No.</b>	<u>14-073</u>
	<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving and authorizing the execution of Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Agreement for Waveland Trail from I-235 to University Avenue.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of IDOT Agreement No. 14-TAP-112 for \$250,000 in Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) project funding for Waveland Trail from I-235 to University Avenue.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$400,000

Funding Source: Various funding sources as follows:

- \$250,000: Federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Funds
- \$150,000: 2013-2014 CIP, Page Park-11, Multi-Use Trails, PK045, G.O. Bonds

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

In November of 2011 and March of 2013, City Council authorized that applications be submitted to the Des Moines Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Waveland Trail from I-235 to University Avenue. The application was approved, and \$250,000 in STP-TAP is available in Federal fiscal year 2014 for construction. The remaining construction costs and design, inspection, and construction administration are to be funded by the City.

The proposed improvement consists of completing a missing half mile segment of the Waveland Trail, which is located along the east side of 56<sup>th</sup> Street between I-235 and University Avenue. The existing 4-foot wide sidewalk in this section, between the two (2) previously completed Waveland Trail sections, is too narrow for safe two-way bicycle and pedestrian travel. The safety concern is magnified by the steep hill, such that bicyclists coming downhill tend to be traveling quite fast, which can lead to collisions with slower moving cyclists or pedestrians. When this project is completed, the trail will be a continuous 10-foot wide trail, 2.2 miles in length. Construction of this project is anticipated to be in 2014.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: March 25, 2013

Roll Call Number: [13-0440](#)

Action: [Authorizing](#) submittal of STP Transportation Alternatives Program Fund FY 2017 Applications to the Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). ([Council Communication No. 13-134](#)) Moved by Moore to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: November 7, 2011

Roll Call Number: [11-1924](#)

Action: [Submittal](#) of STP and STP-TE Fund FY 2016 Applications to the Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization. ([Council Communication No. 11-680](#)) Moved by Meyer to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

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

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Normal actions for award of the construction contract for the work.

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