

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date: May 8, 2017

Agenda Item No. 43

Roll Call No. 17-778
Communication No. 17-395

Submitted by: Phillip Delafield,

Community

Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

First amendment to the Iowa Great Places Program Grant Agreement for 6th Avenue Corridor Streetscape Project.

SYNOPSIS:

In 2015, the City of Des Moines submitted an application to the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs (IDCA) Iowa Great Places Program to designate the 6th Avenue Corridor and the Roosevelt Cultural District as Iowa Great Places. The IDCA chose to designate the 6th Avenue Corridor as an Iowa Great Place and to award the 6th Avenue Streetscape Project a \$250,000 challenge grant. The 6th Avenue Corridor (6AC) and City of Des Moines have secured both public and private funding to satisfy the match requirement. The IDCA is requesting this amendment to set the project deadline at December 31, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

<u>Amount</u>: \$250,000 challenge grant from the IDCA Iowa Great Places Program to be used for construction of Phase 1 of the 6th Avenue Streetscape Project.

<u>Funding Source</u>: 2017-2018 CIP, Street Improvements-34; Sixth Avenue Streetscape; ST266; GO Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- In 2015, the City of Des Moines submitted an application to the IDCA Iowa Great Places Program to designate the 6th Avenue Corridor and the Roosevelt Cultural District as Iowa Great Places.
- The IDCA chose to designate the 6th Avenue Corridor as an Iowa Great Place and to award the 6th Avenue Streetscape Project a \$250,000 challenge grant.
- The 6AC and the City of Des Moines have secured both public and private funding to satisfy the match requirement of the challenge grant.
- The \$250,000 challenge grant is expected to be used for the construction of Phase 1 of the streetscape project, which will improve 6th Avenue from College Avenue to Hickman Road.

- The IDCA is requesting that the Iowa Great Places Grant Agreement be amended to set the project deadline at December 31, 2019.
- Staff is agreeable to this project deadline and anticipates, pending City Council approval, that Phase 1 of the 6th Avenue Streetscape Project will begin in spring of 2018 with final completion in spring of 2019.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

<u>Date</u>: March 9, 2015

Roll Call Number: 15-0403

<u>Action</u>: <u>Iowa</u> Great Places Program Grant Agreement for Sixth Avenue Corridor Streetscape Project. (Council Communication No. 15-114) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

City Council approvals for bid letting and construction contracts are anticipated in the future.

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