


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

 CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	19-010	Meeting:	January 14, 2019
	Agenda Item:	15	Roll Call:	19-0027
	Submitted by:	Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Authorization to proceed with acquisition of the necessary property interests for the Merle Hay Road and Hickman Intersection Improvements Project by gift, negotiation, or eminent domain.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of authorization to proceed with acquisition of the necessary rights-of-way and easements for the Merle Hay Road and Hickman Intersection Improvements Project by gift, negotiation, or eminent domain. This action is required by Iowa law before the City can initiate the right-of-way acquisition process under eminent domain. This project includes adding dual left turn lanes for eastbound Hickman Road and installation of a new traffic signal.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$10,000 estimated, including closing costs

Funding Source: 2018-19 CIP, Page Street Improvements – 24, Merle Hay Road and Hickman Intersection, ST272.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Planned project improvements include installation of a new traffic signal and the widening of Hickman Road west of Merle Hay Road to add dual left turn lanes for eastbound Hickman Road.
- The goals of these improvements are to increase the traffic capacity and improve the safety of the intersection at Merle Hay Road and Hickman Road.
- At this time, one (1) permanent easement for the traffic signal and street lighting systems and two (2) permanent easements for the street right-of-way, all from three (3) separate property owners, are anticipated to be needed for this project. Relocation assistance will not be required.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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